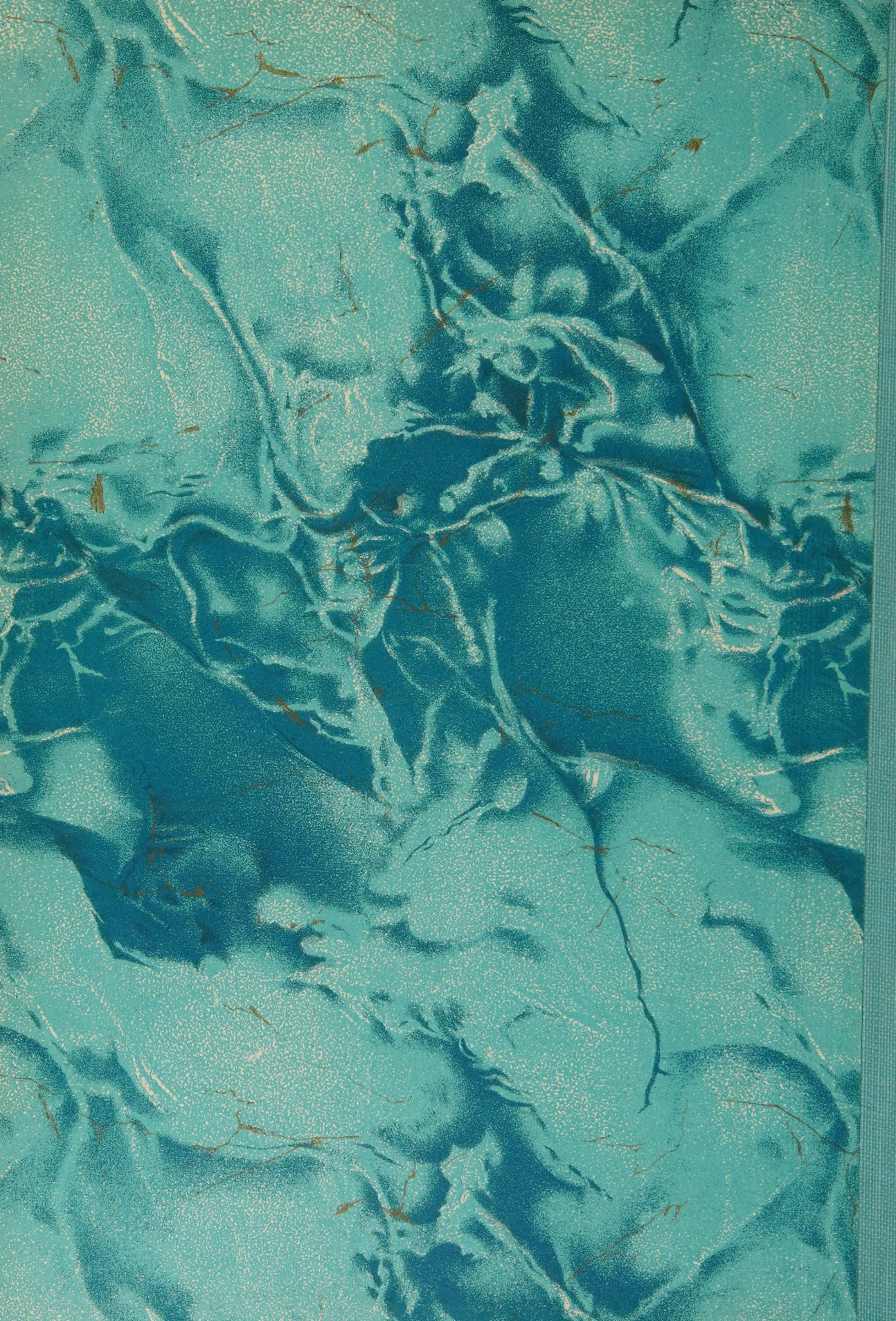

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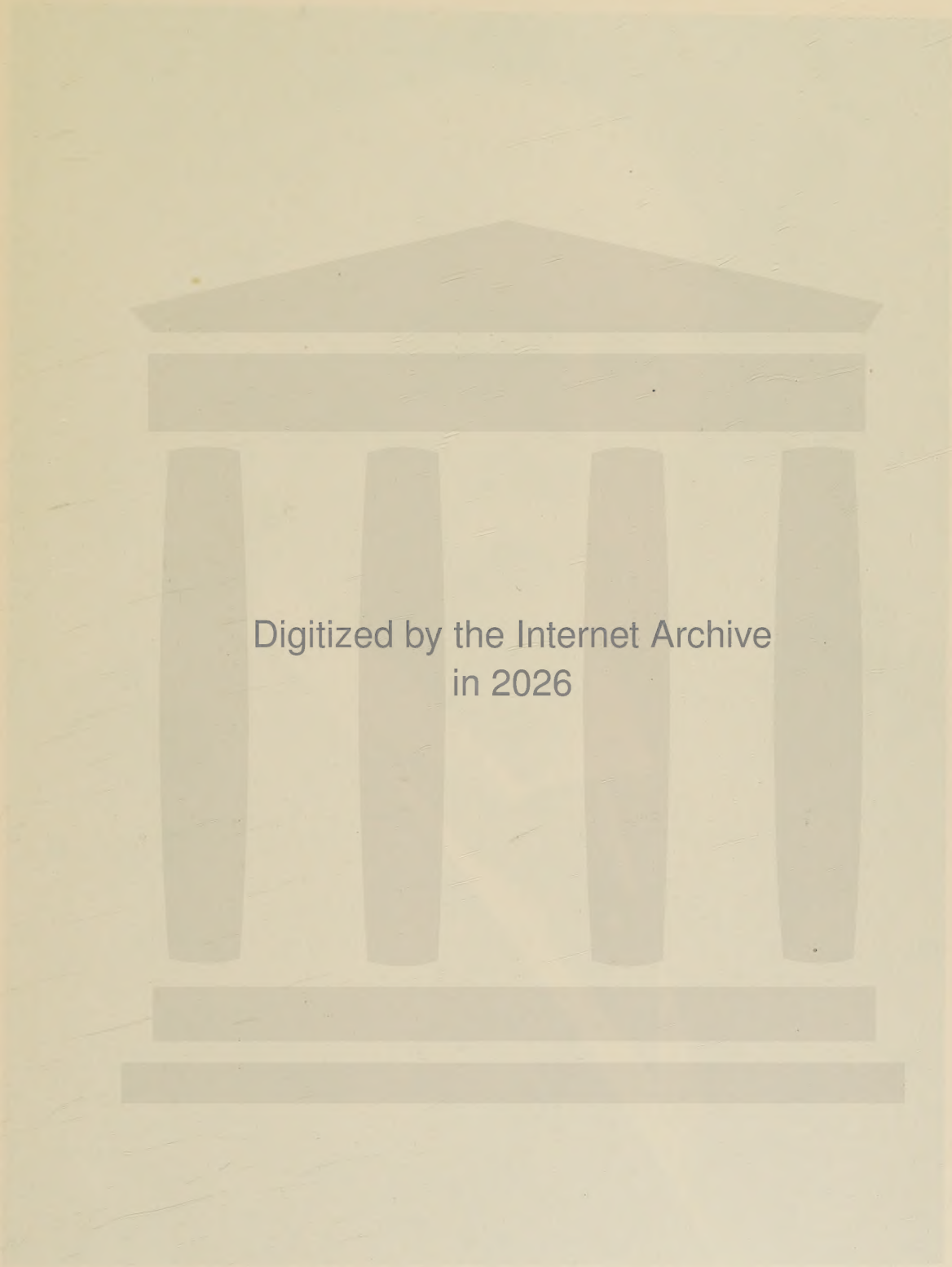
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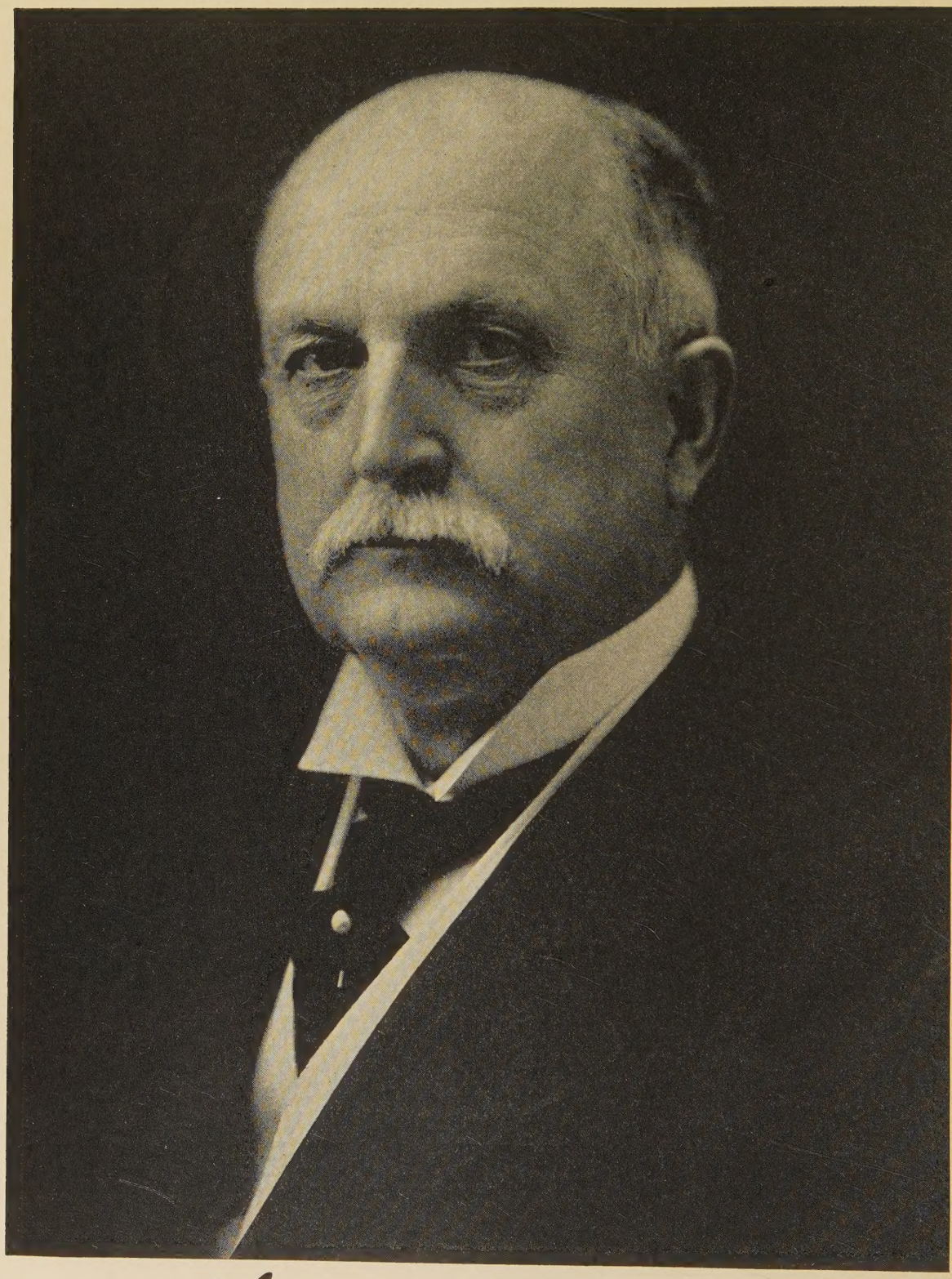

James Campbell

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JAMES EDWIN CAMPBELL has been and is one of the prominent figures in the political, professional and social life of Ohio. For more than half a century he has been a practicing attorney and a recognized leader in state politics. He won additional fame by breaking a long continued republican succession to the office of governor of Ohio.

Governor Campbell was born at Middletown, Ohio, July 7, 1843. His parents were Dr. Andrew and Laura P. (Reynolds) Campbell. His mother was a descendant of John Reynolds, who came to Boston in 1630. His father was a descendant of Alexander Campbell, who came to Virginia in 1753. His mother was the daughter of John P. Reynolds, once a publisher in the State of New York and afterward a prominent citizen of Middletown. The ancestor of Mr. Reynolds, John Reynolds, immigrated to America from Plympton Earl in the County of Devonshire, England, in 1630. On his arrival in America he settled near Plympton, in Plymouth Colony, now a part of Massachusetts. Governor Campbell is eighth in descent from John Reynolds. The descendants of the Reynolds family are now numerously represented in Rhode Island and New York, where some of them have filled important positions in state and national councils.

Governor Campbell's paternal great-grandfather, Andrew Small, was a Revolutionary soldier. At the age of eighteen he accompanied General Montgomery in his ill fated expedition against Quebec and suffered severely with his comrades in that memorable retreat. His grandfathers, Samuel Campbell and John Parker Reynolds, were soldiers in the War of 1812. In a collateral line Governor Campbell is related to John Parker who commanded the Minute Men at the battle of Lexington.

The Campbell family has been prominent in America since Colonial times. Alexander Campbell, the great-grandfather of James E. Campbell, was born in Argyllshire about 1745, and came to Virginia at the age of eight years. His son, Samuel Campbell, was born in 1781 and came to Ohio in 1795. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. Andrew Small, great-grandfather of James E. Campbell, was born in 1757, and came to Ohio in 1796. He was an ensign in the Revolutionary war, and served three and one-half years. His daughter, Mary Small, born 1786, married Samuel Campbell. To them were born five sons and two daughters, brief notices of whom follow:

Andrew Small Campbell, the eldest, born in 1807, was the father of the subject of this sketch, James Edwin Campbell. On January 4, 1870, he married Elizabeth Owens, daughter of Job E. Owens, of Hamilton. They became the parents of four children: Elizabeth, who married John M. Taylor; Andrew Owens, who married Ella Heffner; Jessie, who married Dr. J. J. Coons; and James Edwin, a captain in the World war.

Lewis Davis Campbell, born in 1811, was colonel of the Sixty-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry in the Civil war. Before and after his military service he had been a congressman. He was the first republican chairman of the Ways and Means Committee; minister to Mexico; vice president of the Constitutional Convention of 1873. He married Jane H. Reily, daughter of John Reily, a Revolutionary soldier and a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1802. His daughter, Catherine, born in 1841, married Oscar Minor, a colonel in the Civil war. Another daughter, Josephine Reily, born in 1850, married Estes G. Rathbone, a state senator, fourth assistant postmaster general and director of posts in Cuba.

William Henry Harrison Campbell, born in 1813, served as state senator. His two daughters, Mary and Ella, became successively the wives of Henry L. Morey, a captain in the Civil war and a member of Congress. Governor Campbell Morey, born in 1867, a son of Henry L. and Mary Morey, is a lawyer in Hamilton.

Edwin Ruthven Campbell, born in 1817, founded the Cincinnati Times.

Catherine Campbell, born 1819, married Robert Reily, colonel of the Seventy-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry in the Civil war, who was killed at Chancellorsville. Robert Reily was the son of John Reily, a Revolutionary soldier and member of the Constitutional Convention of 1802. James Lewis Reily, son of Robert and Catherine Reily, was a lieutenant in the Eighth Ohio Volunteer Cavalry in the Civil war, and died while in service.

Abner Caruthers Campbell, born in 1824, was a manufacturer of fire arms during the Civil war.

Mary Campbell, born in 1829, married Samuel B. Woodward. Their son, Edwin Campbell, born in 1861, is a paper manufacturer in Middleton. Edwin Campbell Woodward had a son and a daughter: Thomas Campbell, first lieutenant in the World war and an envelope manufacturer at Middleton; and Harriet, who married Ewing Reginald Philbin, first lieutenant in the Rainbow Division, World war. The daughter of Mary and Samuel B. Woodward, Lily Campbell, is the widow of Clarence Harding, a paper manufacturer. To Lily and Clarence Harding were born two sons, Edwin Forest, 1886, a graduate of West Point and lieutenant-colonel in the Regular Army; and Justin Woodward, 1888, a major in the World war and representative in the Legislature from Warren County.

Governor Campbell is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, Masonic Order, the Order of Elks, the Columbus Club and the Scioto Country Club. He is a Presbyterian and a member of the Kit-Kat Club.

Governor Campbell was educated in the public schools of his native town and later received private instruction from Rev. John B. Morton, a former teacher and for many years the pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Middletown. He later studied law and taught school. In the summer of 1863 he volunteered in the Union army and became a master's mate on the gunboats Elk and Naiad, serving with the Mississippi and Red River flotillas and taking

part in a number of engagements. His health gave way in the arduous service of the southern climate, but he remained in the navy until compelled to leave to save his life. He returned home when discharged in an emaciated condition. He gradually recovered his health and was able in the winter of 1865 to resume the study of law in the office of Doty and Gunckel of Middletown. Later in that year he was admitted to the bar.

For a time he was bookkeeper in the First National Bank at Middletown, and subsequently served eight months as deputy collector in the internal revenue service of the Third Congressional District, under General Ferdinand Van Derveer, the collector of the district. In the spring of 1867 he began the practice of law. From 1867 to 1869 he was United States commissioner. In 1875 and again in 1877 he was elected prosecuting attorney of Butler County. In 1879 he was a candidate for the Ohio State Senate, and was defeated by twelve votes.

During the Civil war and up to 1872 he was affiliated with the republican party. In the Greeley campaign with many other republicans he joined the democratic party, with which he has been continuously and prominently identified ever since.

In 1882 he was elected to the Forty-eighth Congress, but owing to a contest over the seat, which was finally decided in his favor, he did not enter upon the duties of the position until July 20, 1884. He was reelected to the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth congresses, his term of service closing March 3, 1889. In that year he was nominated by the democratic party for governor of Ohio. After a campaign notable in the political annals of the state he was elected by a substantial majority over his gifted and resourceful opponent, Joseph Benson Foraker, who was a candidate for a third term. Governor Campbell ran many thousand votes ahead of his ticket and was the only democratic candidate elected.

In the two years that he served in the high office to which he had been elevated by the electors of Ohio he accomplished a number of notable reforms, and his administration has been recognized as distinctly and sanely progressive. A notable achievement was the enactment of a law providing for the use of the Australian ballot, which for the first time in the history of the state gave every voter the opportunity to prepare and cast his ballot in secret. Prior to this time political "workers" at almost every voting precinct in the state prepared ballots and often accompanied the elector to the ballot box to be sure that he voted the ticket placed in his hands. The achievement of this reform that enabled the voter unawed and undisturbed to exercise the "freeman's will" at the ballot box was one of the most beneficial legislative acts that followed the close of the Civil war. Governor Campbell in his message favored the enactment of a law providing a permanent tax levy for the Ohio State University. The General Assembly acted favorably on this advise, and thus was inaugurated the system of special levies for the higher educational institutions of the state, a policy now followed to the great advantage of the other universities of the state and the normal schools that were subsequently established. The state institutions were the objects of especial interest to Governor Campbell and reforms were introduced in a number of them.

While Governor Campbell was a strict party man, and his democracy was at no time questioned, he believed in enforcing upon that party a strict responsibility to the people for the trust they had bestowed upon it. Having been convinced that the City of Cincinnati was suffering from maladministration of the local organization of that party that had placed dishonest man in power in that city, he called the General Assembly in special session to legislate out of existence the governing body of the city which had betrayed the trust of the people. When he did this he understood that his action would alienate from him in the coming election many voters of the democratic party in Southwestern Ohio, but his duty was clear and he did not hesitate.

In 1891 he was renominated for governor, but was defeated by William McKinley, afterward President of the United States. His defeat was brought about in part by the democratic defection in Cincinnati. Had he been reelected it is clearly within the realm of probability that he and not Grover Cleveland would have been elected President in 1892.

Governor Campbell and William McKinley, although opposed politically and rival candidates for the governorship, were personal friends. The campaign in which McKinley was elected is memorable because of the debate between the two candidates at Ada, and the high plane upon which it was conducted. Each of the candidates, with courtly courtesy to his competitor, defended his party platform and the party principles and avoided all personalities.

James E. Campbell was again nominated for the governorship in 1895, and defeated by Asa S. Bushnell. In 1906 he was nominated for Congress, but was defeated; in 1908 he was his party's choice for United States senator, but was again defeated. He met all of these defeats in years in which the tide was strongly in the direction of the republican party. For the last sixteen years Governor Campbell has retired from the more arduous political activities, but is still prominent in the councils of his party. He has been chairman of the Ohio delegation in the Democratic National conventions that nominated Woodrow Wilson, James M. Cox and John W. Davis. His chief services have more and more been rendered outside of the realm of party politics, and in this wider field he has manifested a public spirit that has endeared him to a constituency that includes the entire state without reference to creed or party. From 1897 to 1910, by appointment of Governor Andrew L. Harris, he served on the commission for codifying the laws of Ohio. At the conclusion of this service he resumed the practice of law in Columbus. He was later appointed on the Executive Mansion Board, and aided very materially in the purchase on very reasonable terms of the fine governor's mansion on East Broad Street. Through the World war he was especially active and served as a member of the Ohio Branch of the Council of National Defense. He was active also in contributing and raising funds for the Red Cross and all other war activities. While the war was in progress he practically gave all his time to this work and was in frequent demand for addresses at the great war meetings in the state capital and other Ohio cities.

In recent years he has been fortunate financially and has gradually abandoned the active practice of the law to devote his entire time to the public service. In this field he has been especially happy in the realization that he is every day winning in larger degree the affectionate regard of the good people of Ohio. The political contests of past years, with the disputes and differences that they inevitably engender, are forgotten while the genial personality and generous service of James E. Campbell are more generally recognized with every day that passes.

And this service is active, not passive, in character. For some years he has been president of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society, and due largely to his enthusiastic interest and personal appeals to the General Assembly the interests of the society have been materially advanced since he became president. A substantial evidence of this service is seen in the memo-

rial wing to the Museum and Library Building which has recently been completed at an expense almost three times the cost of the original building. This wing, which includes the main entrance to the entire building and is passed every day by the thousands of students at the Ohio State University, will for years to come bear its silent message of tribute not only to the veterans of the World war but to the patriotic interest and devoted service of Governor James E. Campbell.

On July 7, 1923, the citizens of Columbus planned a notable celebration in honor of the eightieth anniversary of the birth of James E. Campbell. On this occasion he was hailed as the first citizen of the capital city of the state. He was the recipient of hundreds of messages from distinguished men throughout the United States and some from foreign lands. Among those who sent greetings were President Warren G. Harding, former President Woodrow Wilson, Chief Justice Howard Taft, and all the former governors of Ohio still living, including Myron T. Herrick, ambassador to France. Among those who delivered addresses at the banquet in the evening were Governor Donahey, former Governor James M. Cox, former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker and Honorable Claude Meeker, private secretary to James E. Campbell when he was governor of Ohio. At the conclusion of the program Gen. Edward Orton, Jr., presented to Governor Campbell an artistically wrought book signed by the guests and bearing this characterization on the inner cover:

A patriot of the War of 1861-65, a statesman of long service, a former governor of Ohio, an outstanding man of affairs, a courteous and unassuming gentleman whom we delight at all times to honor for what he is even more than for what he has done.

BRITTON S. JOHNSON has been one of the successful members of the bar at Kent for nearly twenty years. Most of these years have been devoted to the routine duties of the law, but he has also found time for influential activity in local affairs and is a member of the democratic party.

He was born in Franklin Township, Portage County, October 14, 1879, son of Perry W. and Carrie M. (Luce) Johnson. His great-grandfather, Ebenezer Johnson, drove an ox team from his native State of Vermont to the Western Reserve of Ohio, settling in Shalersville Township of Portage County. The grandfather of the Kent attorney was Alonzo Johnson, who devoted his life to farming. Perry W. Johnson was the third successive generation in the family in Portage County to follow farming, and he continued that occupation until 1900, when he removed to Kent. Subsequently he sold his farm and at times has been associated with his cousin, F. W. Johnson, in the meat business, but is now practically retired. Carrie M. Luce, the mother of Britton S. Johnson, was born in Franklin Township of Portage County, daughter of Elihu and Malissa (Shurtliff) Luce, the former a native of New York and the latter of Massachusetts. The Luce family came to Portage County about 1836.

Britton S. Johnson was reared on the home farm, but attended public schools at Kent and graduated from high school in 1897. He then entered Western Reserve Academy at Hudson, where he completed his high school course and graduated in 1900. He began the study of law at Kent, and in 1904 entered Ohio State University and was graduated from the law department in 1905. He was admitted to the bar in June of that year, and at once engaged in practice at Kent. In a few years his reputation was assured as one of the competent and energetic young attorneys of the county. From 1911 to 1915 he served as special counsel for the attorney-general of Ohio, Timothy S. Hogan. He served two terms as solicitor of Kent, and the unexpired term of about one year in the office of mayor for Congressman M. L. Davey. Mr. Johnson is a democrat, is a Royal Arch Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Universalist Church, which is the church of his mother.

July 3, 1897, he married Miss Hattie Garrison, daughter of Dr. Edward A. and Addie (Moody) Garrison, natives of Franklin Township. She was a child when her father died, and her mother for a number of years was a teacher at Kent. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have two children: Martha, born September 4, 1908, and Britton Garrison, born March 6, 1917.

FRANK BECHTLE, present city auditor of Kent, was born in that city, and his activities and his personal character have brought him the favorable esteem of all classes of citizens.

He was born at Kent, April 22, 1875, son of John and Rosene (Hohl) Bechtle. His parents were born in neighboring communities in Germany, but they first met while living in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where they married. John Bechtle was a baker by trade. While at Hollodaysburg, Pennsylvania, he enlisted, in 1862, in the 164th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was one of the brave and gallant soldiers of the Union Army until the close of the struggle between the North and the South.

In July, 1865, soon after released from the army, he came to Kent, Ohio, and established a bakery. After following the baking business for a number of years he gave it up and was employed in the railroad round house until his death on January 6, 1886. His widow was born in 1835 and lived to the advanced age of eighty-five, passing away May 26, 1920. Their children were: A. W., of Kent; Sophia, Mrs. Homer Smith of Meadville, Pennsylvania; Caroline, wife of Charles Abel of Ravenna; Louis, who died when sixteen years old; Henry, who died in infancy; J. A., of Kent; Kate, wife of J. L. Cutler, of Akron; and Fred, of Kent.

Frank Bechtle, youngest of the children, after completing his education in the high school, where he graduated in 1893, went to work with the Erie Railroad Company. He was yard clerk and after several years became a switchman and continued in the railroad service until 1908. He still holds his card of membership in the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and was secretary of the local of this organization for ten years.

Mr. Bechtle in 1908 became a city letter carrier with the Kent postoffice, and was on the carrier force eleven years. He served one year as clerk in the postoffice and left the Government employ to go with the Mason Tire & Rubber Company. He was there two years, and on June 1, 1922, was appointed city auditor of Kent to succeed W. W. Reed, who had resigned to become postmaster.

Mr. Bechtle on November 23, 1898, married Miss Mary Irene Case. She was born in Brimfield Township, Portage County, daughter of Ira L. and Sarah (Crotzer) Case, her father a native of Rootstown, Portage County, and her mother of Brimfield Township. Mr. and Mrs. Bechtle have two children, both at home, Harold E. and Martha F., the latter a student in the Kent public schools. Mr. Bechtle is a member and trustee of the Universalist Church and superintendent of the Sunday School. In politics he is a democrat. He is well known in local, social and fraternal organizations. He served as master of his lodge in 1918, and in 1923 was again elected to that office. He is a past high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter and is a Knight Templar Mason. He also belongs to the Knights of Pythias, and is past com-

mander and ex-secretary of the Sons of Veterans. He is past worthy patron and his wife is worthy matron of the Eastern Star. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and the Wranglers Club.

ELLSWORTH GREGG STALEY has earned a favorable reputation at the Ohio bar during more than fifteen years of practice, first at Tiffin, his old home town, and in recent years at Akron, where he became a member of the law firm of Staley & Trunko with offices in the Peoples Bank Building.

Mr. Staley was born on a farm near Tiffin, in Seneca County, August 3, 1883. His father, Clayton J. Staley, a native of Frederick, Maryland, came to Ohio when a young man, devoted his active life to farming, and finally came to Tiffin, where he died in 1915. His wife was Alice Loose, who was born in Pennsylvania, and died in 1918.

Oldest of three children, Ellsworth Gregg Staley was educated in the Tiffin High School and in Ohio Northern University. He was prominent in athletics, and played on the football team that gave Ohio Northern its most enviable reputation for that branch of sport. He received his law degree in 1907, was admitted to the bar, and began practice at Tiffin in the same year. He handled the general routine of law business and for one term served as city solicitor. In 1922, on removing to Akron, he was associated for one year with the firm, Burch, Bacon & Denlinger, and since then has been head of the firm, Staley & Trunko, handling a general practice.

Mr. Staley has been active in democratic politics. During the World war he participated in all the patriotic programs at Tiffin, being one of the four-minute speakers. His fraternal affiliations include the Eagles and Elks.

He married at Tiffin in July, 1907, Miss Rose O'Brien, a native of Cincinnati, but reared in Tiffin. Her parents were James and Alice O'Brien. Her father for many years was foreman in the moudling department of the National Machinery Company but is now living retired at Cincinnati. Mrs. Staley was active in the Catholic Church and the various social and club organizations of Tiffin. They have three children: Alice, Jane and Phyllis.

RAY FRANKS HAMLIN. Admitted to practice over twenty years ago, Ray Franks Hamlin, of Akron, has been little known in the courts through his activities as a general practitioner, his time and talents having been devoted almost entirely to realty law and business interests connected therewith.

He is a native of Akron, born April 24, 1881, and his father, Byron S. Hamlin, was born in Summit County in 1851, and until he retired was well known as a carpenter and builder, specializing in home construction. The father is a republican, a Methodist and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife, Mary E. Stotler, was born in Wayne County, Ohio, in 1853, and died in 1915.

Youngest of the three children of his parents, Ray F. Hamlin had as the groundwork of his career a good education in the grade and high schools of Akron, followed by two years in the law department of George Washington University in the City of Washington and graduated from the Cleveland Law School in 1903. Since that year he has been engaged in the exclusive practice of real estate law at Akron, and since 1907 has been associated with Fred E. Smith and Hugh M. Eaton in the Smith-Eaton Company and Portage Investment Company. They have specialized in business property and have handled some high-class allotments.

An interest in public affairs and good government has always been a characteristic in Mr. Hamlin, and led him to serve six years as city clerk of Akron. He is a republican, is treasurer and member of the board of deacons of the Woodland Methodist Episcopal Church, belongs to the Summit County, Ohio State and American Bar associations, to the City Club, Fairlawn Heights Club, Masonic Club. Golf and tennis are his favorite sports. He is a past master of Adoniram Lodge No. 517, Free and Accepted Masons, Washington Chapter No. 25, Royal Arch Masons; Akron Council No. 80, Royal and Select Masters; Bethany Commandery No. 72, Knights Templar; Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and is a charter member of Tadmor Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Akron. He is a past chancellor commander of Aetolia Lodge No. 24, Knights of Pythias.

Mr. Hamlin and Mabel J. Gordon were married at Akron, May 28, 1907. She was born in Kent, Ohio, and was reared in Akron. Her father, Fred Gordon, who died in 1915, was a native of New York State and was a contracting carpenter at Kent and later at Akron. Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin have one son, Frederick Gordon.

THOMAS E. POWELL. In the profession of law and in party politics no name has stood for more of the substantial honors than that of Thomas Edward Powell of Columbus. Mr. Powell began the practice of law soon after the close of the Civil war, and retired only recently, when he had been a hard working member of the bar for more than half a century. His reputation as a trial lawyer was by no means confined to Ohio. Many of his most important cases and his largest fees were in New York. He was democratic candidate for governor of Ohio in 1887, and many times led the forlorn hope of his party in state or district.

He was born at Delaware, Ohio, February 20, 1842, son of Thomas W. and Elizabeth (Gordon) Powell. His father was born in Wales. Colonel Powell graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1863, and in 1866 the same university gave him the Master of Arts degree. He left the university to go into the army as a soldier of the Union, and was a member of the Eighty-fourth and One Hundred Forty-fifth Ohio Infantry. He studied law with the late Col. William P. Reid, and subsequently engaged in practice with that prominent Delaware attorney. Almost from the start Mr. Powell's abilities brought brilliant distinction as a trial lawyer. In 1887 he removed from Delaware to Columbus, where the firm of Powell, Owen, Ricketts and Black was formed. For eight years Judge S. N. Owen, formerly of the Supreme Court, was a member of the firm. Mr. Powell's court practice reached to almost every county of Ohio, and he maintained offices in at least five different cities of the state. His favorite work was the trial of cases and particularly cases involving important principles or a large property or human rights. One source of his success was his resort to every legitimate expedient to get his case before the jury at the quickest hour possible. In this he followed a precept of Lord Erskine of England, who is said never to have had a case extending beyond one day's trial. Mr. Powell once tried twenty-three jury cases in eighteen days. He was counsel for the defendant in the celebrated Deshler will case, involving property amounting to more than $500,000, was attorney for the American Sugar Refining Company of New York, for the Standard Oil Company, the Ohio & Western Coal Company, the National Cash Register Company, for which clients he won a decision in a great patent infringement case. During his residence in Columbus Mr. Powell's fees from New York exceeded those paid for his services in Ohio. He has tried cases in nearly half of the states of the Union and

Thomas E. Powell

in all tribunals from the Common Pleas to the United States Supreme Court. In one important case tried in New York he was given $600 a day for twenty-one consecutive days, this compensation being left entirely to his client.

Mr. Powell began the practice of law at Delaware in 1867, and continued till 1923, when he retired to enjoy the comforts of his pleasant home on East Broad Street in Columbus. Mr. Powell was editor of the history of the Democratic Party of Ohio. In 1872 he took the stump, speaking in the Greeley campaign, and in 1875 was the nominee of his party for attorney-general. In 1878 he was candidate for Congress in the Eighth Ohio District, and he headed the democratic electoral ticket of 1880 and 1900. He was a delegate to the Democratic National Conventions of 1872, 1880 and 1884, and in 1885 became chairman of the State Executive Committee. In 1888 he made the nominating speech for Allen G. Thurman at the St. Louis Convention, and he nominated Thomas Ewing for governor in 1879 and Durbin Ward in 1883. He was chosen democratic candidate for governor at Cleveland, July 20, 1887. The campaign was a spirited one, and he made speeches over many important sections of the state. He ran some 7,000 votes ahead of the regular ticket, but could not overcome the strength of the incumbent of the governor's office, J. E. Foraker.

Mr. Powell has served as a trustee of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and for ten years was a trustee of the Ohio Wesleyan Female College. On January 16, 1872, he married Miss Eliza Thomson, of Delaware.

John Albin Weber has achieved success in the practice of law in his native County of Medina, where he was born less than thirty years ago. He is the present prosecuting attorney of this county.

Mr. Weber was born on a farm in York Township, July 24, 1895, son of George H. and Caroline T. (Gardner) Weber, who are still living. Both were born in Medina County, his father in Liverpool Township. Both are of German ancestry. The paternal grandparents were Louis and Margaret (Flannigan) Weber. Louis Weber wos born in Alsace-Lorraine, in what is now France, son of George Weber. George Weber. Louis Weber was born in Alsace-Lorraine, in 1830. Louis Weber reached the venerable age of ninety-two years. The maternal grandparents of John A. Weber were Francis and Clara (Slaughter) Gardner. Francis Gardner was born in Baden, Germany, and came to the United States in 1850, spending the rest of his life as a Medina County farmer. Farming has been the occupation of George A. Weber throughout his active career. He is now sixty years of age, is a republican in politics and a member of the Catholic Church.

John Albin Weber, the only child of his parents, grew up on the farm, attended country schools, and in 1913 graduated from the Medina High School. He then entered Adelbert College of Western Reserve University, completing the literary course in 1917. He continued the study of law at Western Reserve University, and was graduated with the class of 1919 and admitted to the bar the same year. During the World war Mr. Weber volunteered his services, and both as a volunteer and subsequently under the draft he was rejected on account of defective eyesight. For two years after his admission to the bar he practiced as a member of the legal staff of the White Company at Cleveland, and then returned to his home town of Medina, where he has given a good account of himself. In 1922 he was elected prosecuting attorney of the county. Mr. Weber in 1923 married Miss Leone Dean, a native of Wisconsin.

Chester Leroy Dinsmore has practiced law at Akron since 1908, where he has been retained for much important litigation. His work has built up a reputation for him as one of the able representatives of the Summit County bar.

He was born at New Athens, Harrison County, Ohio, September 7, 1882, son of Robert A. and Mary J. (Armstrong) Dinsmore, the latter a native of Belmont County, Ohio, and daughter of Warden Armstrong, of the same county. Mr. Dinsmore's father, Robert A. Dinsmore, and grandfather, William Dinsmore, were both natives of Pennsylvania.

Chester Leroy Dinsmore attended public schools in a country district in Eastern Ohio, finished the high school course at New Athens in 1899, and was graduated with the Bachelor of Philosophy degree in 1902 from Franklin College at New Athens. In 1903 he entered the Ohio State University at Columbus, graduating with his law degree in 1906. During 1907-08 he was connected with the editorial department of the Edward Thompson Company, law book publishers, at Northport, Long Island, New York, and in August, 1908, engaged in practice at Akron. Since 1911 he has been associated with J. A. H. Myers in the law firm of Myers & Dinsmore.

Mr. Dinsmore is secretary and treasurer of the Broadway Realty Company. He is a member of the University Club, the Masonic order, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Modern Woodmen of America, Chamber of Commerce, and the Summit County and Ohio State Bar associations. He and his wife are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Akron. He married, August 2, 1911, Miss Madella Stevens, of Ontario, Canada. They have one daughter, Mary Madella.

Jay Dickey Smith, M. D. For the past ten years Doctor Smith has limited his professional work to surgery, and his accomplishments rank him as one of the able men in that field. His home is at Akron, and he has been a familiar figure in all the hospitals of that city.

Born at Edenburg, Clarion County, Pennsylvania, June 26, 1879, he is a son of Richard Webster and Emma (Leadenham) Smith. His father was born at Lehigh and died in 1918, aged eighty-four, and his mother was a native of Carbon County, Pennsylvania, and died at the age of sixty-five. Richard W. Smith was a veteran of the Civil war, serving on the battle lines and later in the commissary department, was in the railroad service after the war, and finally in the wholesale lumber business at Kane, Pennsylvania. He was a Mason, a democrat and active in the Congregational Church.

Next to the youngest in a family of six children, J. Dickey Smith spent his boyhood at Kane, Pennsylvania, attending the grade and high schools there, and took his medical course in the Starling Medical College at Columbus, Ohio, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1906. While in college he was a Phi Beta Phi. He served an interneship in the Children's Hospital of Columbus, Ohio, and then engaged in a general practice at Freedom, Pennsylvania. In a few years he had a local reputation as a very able surgeon, and in order to get larger opportunities and confine his work entirely within that field he moved to Akron in 1913. Doctor Smith for a number of years has been a surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railway, and he served six years as chief of the surgical staff of the People's Hospital at Akron and also for six years was a director and treasurer of that hospital. He is surgeon of the Summit County Hospital and associate surgeon of the City Hospital. He has professional associations with the Summit County, Ohio State and American associations and the Pennsylvania Railway Surgeons

Association. During the World war he was medical member of the Akron Draft Board.

Doctor Smith belongs to the Rotary Club, is an independent republican, was deacon for eight years of the First Congregational Church, and in Masonry he is affiliated with Henry Perkins Lodge No. 611, Free and Accepted Masons; Akron Chapter No. 25, Royal Arch Masons; Akron Council No. 80, Royal and Select Masters; Akron Commandery No. 25, Knights Templar; Yusef Khan Grotto No. 41, Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland.

He married at Freedom, Pennsylvania, Miss Annie Lowry, who was born and reared there, where her father, the late David Lowry, was in the grocery business. Her mother, Mrs. Jennie (Dillworth) Lowry, lived at Akron. Mrs. Smith is active in club and church affairs. They have two children, Robert and Jane.

William E. Miller. The City of Newark, where he was born and raised, has honored William E. Miller in various conspicuous ways. He is former state senator, and throughout his mature life has been closely and prominently identified with the business affairs of that community.

He was born in Newark, a member of one of the oldest families in Licking County. He was reared and educated there, and as a young man took up a business career. For many years he has been a leading hardware merchant of the city.

Mr. Miller represented Licking County as state senator in the Seventy-third General Assembly. In January, 1924, he was reelected president of the Newark Board of Education, this being his twenty-seventh consecutive year as a member of the board.

John L. Baker, president of the Columbus Real Estate Board, is a native of Ohio, member of an old family of Muskingum County, is a Spanish-American war veteran, and for twenty years or more has been prominent in the real estate business at Columbus.

He was born in Circleville, in 1880, son of William and Ida (Myer) Baker. His grandfather, Dr. John J. Baker, was a graduate in the first class of the old Cincinnati Medical University. He devoted all his active career to the practice of medicine. He was a native of Muskingum County, where the Baker family received a Government land grant and occupied it in 1801, about the time Ohio came into the Union as a state. A sister of Dr. John J. Baker is Polly Baker, now living at advanced age at the old home place in Muskingum County. The maternal grandmother of John L. Baker of Columbus was Anna Libey, the first white child born at Circleville in Pickaway County. William Baker became a man of distinction in Ohio educational affairs. He was a graduate of Wittenberg College at Springfield, and at the time of his death was superintendent of schools at Sandusky.

John L. Baker secured most of his education in the public schools of Circleville. He was just eighteen when, in 1898, he enlisted in the Fourth Ohio Infantry for service in the Spanish-American war. This regiment went as part of General Miles' expeditionary forces to Porto Rico. It took part in the battle of Guyama, as a result of which Porto Rico became United States territory.

Mr. Baker's home has been in Columbus ever since he left the army. He took up the real estate business, and the passing years have made him one of the largest individual operators in that line. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Exchange Club and is a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

The Columbus Real Estate Board represents through its membership a large bulk of the valuable interests of the city. It was organized in 1908, with only twenty-nine members, while there are now 500 members of various classes. Mr. Baker helped organize the board, became its first secretary, and in December, 1922, enjoyed the enviable honor of election to the office of president. Mr. Baker is married and has one son, John S. Baker.

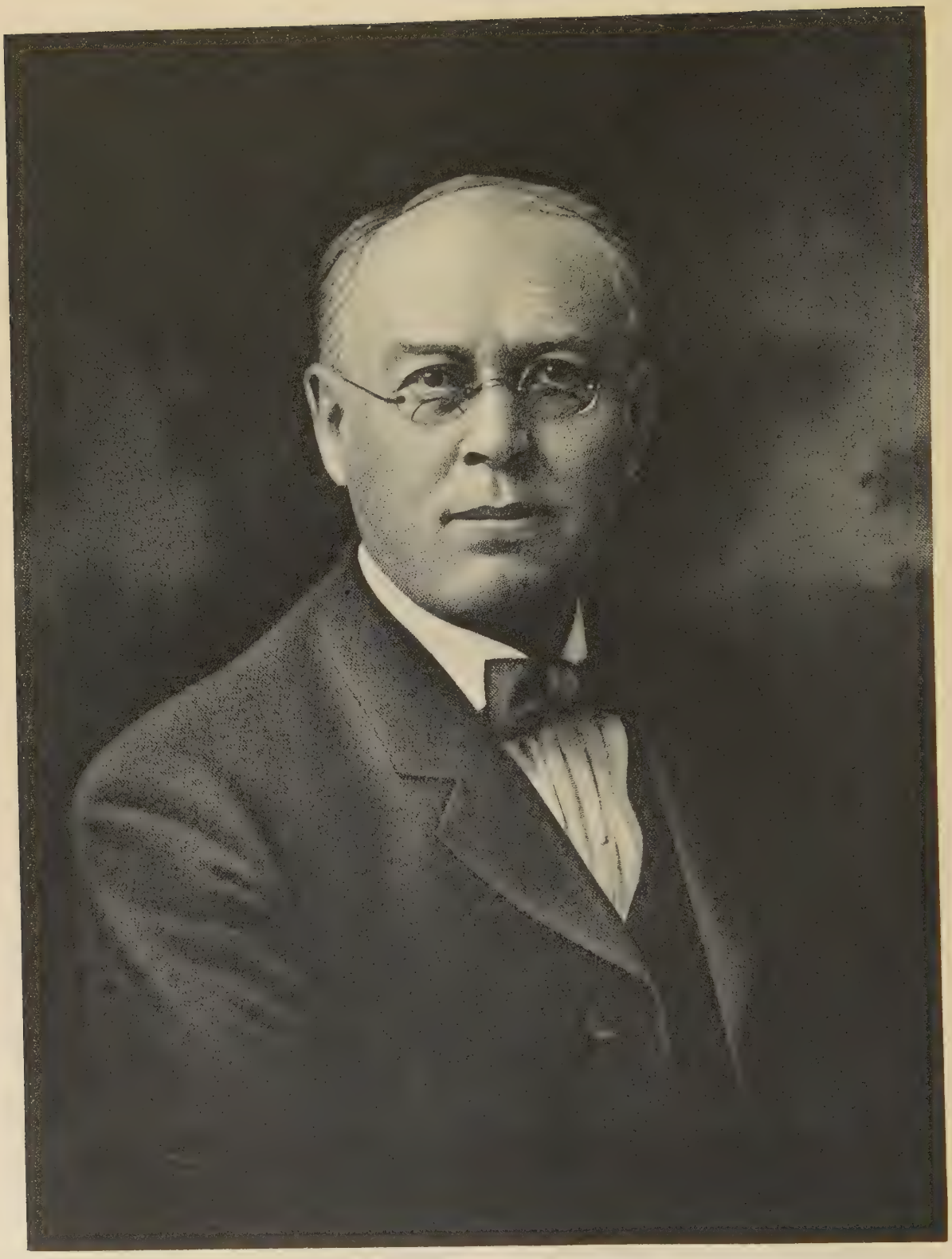
Charles H. Newton has rounded out a half century of service as an officer of the Dime Savings Society of Marietta. During the past twelve years he has been its president, and his service as treasurer or president has covered nearly the entire period of the existence of this institution.

It is strictly a savings bank, and does no commercial banking business. The Ohio law providing for such an institution was passed in 1867, and of societies organized under this law there is only one other in existence today, at Springfield, though it has broadened its service to include commercial banking. The Dime Savings Society of Marietta was incorporated in 1871 and opened for business January 2, 1872. In 1875 Mr. Newton was elected a trustee, and in 1877 took active charge of the management as treasurer. The first home of the Savings Society was a building in which Charles H. Newton had his insurance and real estate office. In 1875 the society had only a few depositors and an aggregate of about $40,000 in deposits. By 1924 the deposits aggregated over $1,250,000, and the prosperity and service of the institution have been correspondingly effective. It is a mutual concern, there being no stockholders, and the depositors have participated in all the profits, amounting to over $1,000,000. Most of the banking power represented by the savings deposits has been used for the building of homes and other substantial lines of development in Marietta. The Savings Society from its original office moved into the banking house of the old Bank of Marietta in 1886, and in 1901 erected, on the site of the old building, a new banking house, one of the handsomest structures of the kind in Southeastern Ohio.

During the half century that Mr. Newton has been identified with the Savings Society there have been a total of ninety-two officers and trustees, and of that number seventy-seven have died. Mr. Newton became president in 1912, being the sixth president of the society.

He was born at Marietta, July 13, 1842, and is an honored veteran of the Civil war. His parents were Stephen and Harriet (Humphreys) Newton, both natives of Marietta. His father was born in 1813 and his mother in 1814, and she died in 1847, leaving three children. Stephen Newton married for his second wife Sarah A. Walker, of New Richmond, but there were no children of the second union. She was a most devoted mother to Stephen Newton's first children. Stephen Newton served as county recorder and county treasurer, and for many years was engaged in the real estate and insurance business. He was a republican, and for many years an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and for twelve years he and his son were members of the sessions. His was a high character, closely identified with the welfare of his home community, and he died in his ninety-first year. The three children were: Almira E., who died in 1857, wife of Henry M. Amlin; Mary Harriet, who died in 1891, wife of Fred C. Woodruff, who was a school principal in St. Louis, Missouri.

Charles H. Newton graduated from Marietta College with the class of 1863, and at once recruited a company for service in the Second Ohio Heavy Artillery. He served as second lieutenant and first lieutenant, and was in active service in East Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama. He received his honorable discharge in February, 1865, and after leaving the army returned to Marietta and became associated with his father in the real estate and insurance busi-



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ness. For a number of years he held the office of city clerk. Mr. Newton is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and was elected in 1909 commander of the Department of Ohio. He is also a member of the Loyal Legion, and is a republican and Presbyterian.

He married Miss Mary E. Dana, daughter of William P. and Susan (Shipman) Dana. She was born in 1844, within ten miles of Marietta. Mr. and Mrs. Newton have been married fifty-nine years. Of the two children born to their marriage Stephen D. died in childhood. Charles William Newton, who died in 1904, was a graduate of Marietta College and in 1888 took his medical degree from Ohio Medical College. He was a high-class physician and surgeon, and was for many years engaged in practice at Toledo. He served as assistant surgeon in the Spanish-American war.

Donald DaCosta Shira, A. B., M. D., at present director of public health of the City of Akron.

Born at LaRue, Ohio, March 27, 1886, son of Dr. William and Mary Agnes (Holliday) Shira. His mother was born in Perth, Ontario, Canada. His father was born in Knox County, Ohio, and practiced medicine at LaRue, Ohio, for many years.

Dr. Donald DaCosta Shira, after graduation from the LaRue High School, attended Ohio Wesleyan University and Ohio State University, and was graduated from Ohio State in 1910 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Was graduated from Ohio State in 1914 with Doctor of Medicine degree.

Practiced medicine at LaRue from 1914 to 1917 when he entered the Medical Corps of the army as a first lieutenant. Served in the army two years, one year of which was in France. Promoted to rank of captain in 1918.

Upon his discharge from the army he took up public health work and has been associated with the Ohio State Department of Health, Akron Department of Public Health and the Summit County (Ohio) Health Department, the last of which he organized and developed, serving as county commissioner of health for three years.

He is a member of the Summit County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and is a past president of the Health Commissioners' Association of Ohio.

Dr. Shira is a member of the Akron University Club, Alpha Tau Omega literary fraternity, Alpha Mu Pi Omega medical fraternity, Odd Fellows, and is a thirty-second degree Mason.

George Wallace Alvord. The senior member of the law firm of Alvord & Blakely of Painesville is George Wallace Alvord, who was admitted to the Ohio bar, and for more than forty years has enjoyed a successful career in the legal profession.

Mr. Alvord was born at Concord, Lake County, Ohio, in 1856, and is of an old American family of English descent. His grandfather, James Alvord, was born in Massachusetts, served as a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and was also a member of the New Jersey Militia for several years and died at the age of nearly ninety. The Alvord family was established in the Western Reserve of Ohio in 1851 by G. W. Alvord, Sr., who was born in Granby, Massachusetts, was reared there, and married Miss Margaret Bush. They came to Lake County, Ohio, in 1851, and settled on a farm near Madison, where they reared their family of five sons and four daughters.

George Wallace Alvord had the early experiences and training of a farm boy, attended the Painesville Union Schools, and finished his literary education in Western Reserve College. Admitted to the bar in 1880 he has since become one of the leaders of the Lake County bar. Through his own efforts he has achieved a reputation as an attorney of dignity, resourcefulness, thorough knowledge and skill. He has practiced for the most part alone, but was associated with A. G. Reynolds, former speaker of the House in the Ohio Legislature, until Mr. Reynolds became judge of the Common Pleas Court in January, 1909. This dissolved the firm of Alvord and Reynolds, and in April, 1909, Mr. Alvord formed a partnership with Elbert F. Blakely in the present firm of Alvord & Blakely, with offices in the National Bank Building at Painesville. He was admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, and all Federal courts. He is a member of the Ohio State and the American Bar associations.

Mr. Alvord is an honored citizen of Lake County, and has the distinction of having served as the first democratic mayor of Painesville, since the incorporation of that city. Besides his active connection with the democratic party he is a Knight Templar Mason, Odd Fellow, Knight of Pythias and Elk, and a member of the Painesville Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Alvord married June 20, 1895, Miss Mary Moodey, only daughter of Addison Moodey. She is well educated, and brought to her home and social circles many qualities and attainments that have made her most popular in Painesville society. Mr. Alvord has been a member of the Congregational Church since 1898, his wife having been a life long communicant of that denomination. Both are also interested in practical philanthropy in their home community.

Albert Burr Headley, M. D. Guided by an earnest determination to earn success in a professional career, Doctor Headley by teaching and other work paid all the expenses of his higher education after the common schools, and for over twenty years has carried on a successful practice as a physician and surgeon at Cambridge.

He was born on a farm near Beallsville, in Monroe County, Ohio, October 25, 1874. His grandfather, Silas Headley, came from Pennsylvania, and was one of the pioneer settlers of Monroe County. John Headley, father of Doctor Headley, was born on a Monroe County farm, and spent his active career as a farmer and sheep raiser in that county. He served a ninety-day enlistment as a soldier in the Civil war during Morgan's raid through Southern Ohio. He and his wife were active members of the Methodist Church. Her maiden name was Nancy Nice. She was born and reared at Wetzel, West Virginia. John Headley died in 1902, at the age of seventy-three, and his wife, in the same year, aged sixty-one. Of their four children Albert B. was the second.

Doctor Headley spent his boyhood on a farm, attending the country schools, and during a period of four years attended school as a student during the summer, while the rest of the year he engaged in teaching in rural districts. Then through his own resources he was able to spend two years as a student in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. He then entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore, from which he took his Doctor of Medicine degree April 29, 1902. He also did special work on operative surgery in the City Hospital of Baltimore.

After a few months of practice in his native county Doctor Headley moved to Cambridge in 1902, and has been one of the very busy physicians and surgeons in this locality ever since. He was for ten years secretary of the Guernsey County Medical Society, was for five years, from 1917 to 1922, councilor of the Eighth District to the Ohio Medical Association, and is a member of the American Medical Association. He is a steward in the First Methodist

Episcopal Church and a teacher in the Sunday school. His recreations are hunting and fishing.

In November, 1902, Doctor Headley married Miss Maria Jane Brown, who was born and reared in Belmont County, Ohio, where her father, James Brown, was a farmer. Mrs. Headley is active in church work and is especially interested in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Doctor and Mrs. Headley have one son, Albert Emerson.

W. Kee Maxwell is joint owner and editor of the Akron Evening and Sunday Times, the best local democratic paper in Summit County, and the only Sunday newspaper published in Akron. It is also the only Akron newspaper to carry the Associated Press Service.

The Akron Evening and Sunday Times represents a continuous newspaper history in Akron since 1867, when the Akron City Times was established and which with some changes has continued down to the present time. It was a weekly until 1892, when a daily issue was started under the name Times-Democrat.

The present owners of the Times came to Akron from Peoria, Illinois, where they were prominent in the newspaper business.

W. Kee Maxwell was born at Bardolph, Illinois, January 12, 1879, son of Henry A. and Mary Elizabeth (Kee) Maxwell. He acquired a common school education, and began his newspaper experience as a printer on the Bardolph News. He also had some further experience conducting weekly newspapers at Smithfield, Kane and Oneida, Illinois, and in 1911 moved to Peoria, serving as editor of the Peoria Transcript until 1913, and from 1913 to 1916 was editor of the Peoria Journal.

On November 1, 1916, Mr. Maxwell and Ross F. Walker purchased the ownership of the Akron Times, which for nearly twenty years had been published by E. F. Harter and Judge C. R. Grant. They completely reorganized the business, changing the name from the Akron Times to the Akron Evening Times.

Mr. Maxwell is a member of the Associated Press and American Editors Association, and is also a member of the American Press Humorists Association. In addition to his routine production through many years through the columns of his own paper, he has been a contributor of fiction and humor to magazines. In Akron he is a member of the Rotary Club, the Akron City Club, the Fairlawn Golf Club, and is affiliated with the Elks and Eagles. He attends the Universalist Church and is a democrat in politics.

Mr. Maxwell married, October 12, 1899, Miss Alma Burnett, of Kane, Illinois. Their two children are Burnett K. and Irene.

Ross F. Walker, who is manager of the Akron Evening and Sunday Times, was born at Twin Grove in Green County, Wisconsin, January 7, 1877, son of Ed L. and Leah M. (Griffith) Walker. He acquired a common school education, and as a young man went to Chicago, where his newspaper experience began in 1900. In 1902 he took the management of the Peoria Journal, and was prominent in that influential Central Illinois paper until November, 1918, when he and Mr. W. Kee Maxwell came to Akron and bought the Times.

Mr. Walker is serving as a member of the Ohio State Prison Commission under appointment from Governor Donahey. He is a director of the Akron Better Business Commission, is a trustee of the Akron Art Institute, a member of the Executive Council of the Boy Scouts, and belongs to the American Newspaper Publishers' Association.

He is a democrat in politics and attends the Universalist Church. He has membership in the Akron City Club, the Fairlawn Golf Club, the Kiwanis Club, and the Elks and Eagles fraternities. Mr. Walker married, November 26, 1902, Miss Nettie N. Foster. Their three children are Foster, Horace F. and Annabelle.

William Everett Fulton, M. D. Twenty-two years an active physician and surgeon, Doctor Fulton has been engaged for the past nine years in practice at Akron. He has sustained a reputation as a very thorough, conscientious and high-minded physician, and has performed a great deal of the social work of his profession.

He was born on a farm near Woodsfield, in Monroe County, Ohio, May 23, 1875. His father, William Myers Fulton, was also born in Monroe County, served as a Union soldier in the One Hundred and Sixteenth Ohio Infantry during the Civil war and spent the rest of his life as a farmer. He died in December, 1905, at the age of sixty-one. In politics he was a republican, and his church was the United Presbyterian. He married Elizabeth Amelia Haudenschild, who lives at Woodsfield. They have a family of nine children, William E. being next to the oldest.

A boy on the farm, he attended country schools, and continued his education in normal training at Scio College and Newcastle, and taught three years in the Monroe County country schools. Doctor Fulton in 1902 graduated from Starling Medical College at Columbus, and during the next three years practiced in his home community at Woodsfield. Then for ten years his home was at Suffield in Portage County, where he conducted a general practice. Since leaving Portage County he has been a member of the medical fraternity at Akron, and handles the general practice of a physician and surgeon. He is associated in practice with his brother, John Pearson Fulton, M. D.

Doctor Fulton was a member of the school board while living at Suffield. He is a member of the County, District, State and American medical associations. In 1904, at Columbus, he married Miss Cecilia Palmer, daughter of the late John Palmer, of Columbus. They have four children, named Margaret, Charles, Robert and Hubert.

Rev. George Russell Hageman. Possessed of an unusual diversity of gifts and talents, Mr. Hageman educated himself for the ministry, and he came to Zanesville as pastor of the Forest Avenue Presbyterian Church. He gave up the ministry a few years ago to become president of the Agnew Torpedo Company, one of the largest concerns in the Middle West manufacturing nitro-glycerin products for use in the oil and gas fields.

Mr. Hageman was born at Queens, Long Island, New York, September 21, 1882. His father is Rev. Dr. Andrew Hageman, a native of New Jersey, who graduated from Rutgers College with the degrees Master of Arts, Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Divinity. He has filled a number of prominent pastorates, at Queens, Long Island; Belleville, New Jersey; Fifth Avenue and Forty-eighth Street, New York, and is now pastor of the Ocean Hill Reformed Church in Brooklyn. His time has been generously bestowed upon many civic and charitable movements. Andrew Hageman married Rachael Swain, who was born and reared in Brooklyn, and died in 1919, at the age of sixty-eight. They had a family of four sons, George Russell being the third.

George Russell Hageman early decided to follow his father's calling. He prepared for college in the Collegiate School of New York and then entered Columbia University, graduating Bachelor of Arts in 1905 and Master of Arts in 1907. He took his Bachelor of Divinity degree at New College, Edinburgh, Scotland. On returning to this country he served as pastor of the Second Reformed Dutch Church

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at Tarrytown-on-the-Hudson, New York, for five years, and then came to Zanesville, where for four years he was pastor of the Forest Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Retiring from the ministry in 1917 Mr. Hageman became president of the Agnew Torpedo Company. This industry was established in 1901 by the late William Agnew. Mr. Hageman is president and his wife, Sarah Agnew Hageman, is secretary and treasurer of the company. This is a West Virginia corporation, and manufactures and supplies nitro-glycerin for shooting oil and gas wells, doing an extensive business over Ohio and West Virginia. The factory is at Bremen, Ohio, and the branch distributing houses are located at Bremen, Logan, Newark, Stockport, Corning, Lodi, Mount Vernon and Fort Recovery, Ohio, and in Sistersville, Spencer and West Union, West Virginia. Mr. Hageman is secretary of the National Glycerin Manufacturers' Association, is a member of the Virginia Oil and Gas Association, the Ohio Oil and Gas Association, the American Petroleum Association and the Natural Gas Association of America.

Mr. Hageman plays his favorite game of golf at the Zanesville Golf Club, is a member of the Zane Club, and in Masonry is affiliated with Symbolic Lodge, the Royal Arch Chapter, the Council, the Knights Templar Commandery, Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite and the Shrine and Grotto. He is also a member of the Masonic Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Exchange Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Central Presbyterian Church. Outside of business one of his leading interests is in music. He has composed music for the pipe organ and piano, and while in New York City for several years he played the organ and taught piano. He is a republican in politics.

On May 15, 1917, Mr. Hageman married Miss Sarah Agnew, a sister of the late William Agnew, founder of the Agnew Torpedo Company. Her father, the late Samuel Agnew, was a prominent oil producer in the Pennsylvania fields and was a pioneer in the development of the fields around Sistersville, West Virginia. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge at Washington, Pennsylvania, and the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Hageman in addition to the time she gives to business is a leader in Zanesville church and social affairs, was one of the women in local war work, a member of the Country Club, the Day Nursery Organization and other leading civic movements.

General Chauncey B. Baker. After a long and distinguished career as an army officer, beginning as a lieutenant in western army posts when the glamor of the wilderness and Indian hostilities still made such posts of duty attractive, and continuing until after the close of the great World war, General Baker has found a charming social environment and a number of important business responsibilities as a resident of the City of Columbus. He is a native Ohioan and one of the state's notable soldiers.

He was born at Lancaster, Ohio, August 26, 1860, son of Emanuel Ruffner Peter and Eliza (Stoneberger) Baker. The Baker family was established in pioneer times in Ohio by his great-grandfathers, Peter Baker, and Emanuel Ruffner, who came with a group of settlers from Maryland and Virginia and located on Rush Creek in Fairfield County. Here Peter Baker established mills and built up a large industrial and agricultural estate comprising grist-mills, sawmills, and a mill with looms for weaving cloth. The grandfather of General Baker was Christian Baker, a lifelong and prominent citizen of Fairfield County. Christian Baker married Jemima Ruffner, whose father came from the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, and was a member of the same Ruffner family who founded and were prominently identified with the early upbuilding of the City of Charleston, West Virginia.

General Baker received his early training in Ohio schools, and graduated from West Point Military Academy in 1886. It was his fortune to get his early experience in western posts before the last Indian uprisings had been quieted. He participated in the Spanish-American war, in the Vera Cruz expedition to Mexico and following that in the World war. His first assignment after coming out of West Point was at old Fort Laramie, Wyoming, as a member of the famous Seventh Infantry. Later he was stationed at Fort McKinney, Wyoming. He was with his regiment in the campaign against the Indians which culminated in the battle of Wounded Knee in South Dakota in 1891. He went to Cuba in the Spanish-American war as first chief quartermaster under General Lawton during the first occupation of that country, and when it became necessary for America again to intervene in the government of the island he was with the second exposition. He was quartermaster for General Funston in the taking of Vera Cruz and handled the duties of that position with notable efficiency. General Baker as quartermaster has taken armies three times to foreign countries and brought them back, twice to Cuba and once to Mexico.

In the spring of 1917, when commissioners from England and France visited this country, headed by Mr. Balfour of England, General Baker was appointed the senior member of the commission of fourteen army and marine officers to return with Mr. Balfour and plan for this country's participation in the war. He was abroad engaged in this duty during May to July. It is especially interesting that the plans for this country's coordination in the war made on that occasion in conferences with the English, French and Belgian military experts were carried out practically without change.

In detail General Baker's military career is noted in the following record: Appointed to West Point 1882 by Hon. Geo. C. Converse; commissioned second lieutenant Seventh Infantry, July 1, 1886; promoted to first lieutenant September 29, 1892, and in the meantime was an honor graduate of the infantry and cavalry school at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1889; at the beginning of the Spanish-American war was made captain assistant-quartermaster of volunteers, May 12, 1898; major chief quartermaster January 7, 1899, and honorably discharged from the volunteers June 30, 1901. He became a captain in the regular army March 2, 1899; quartermaster, April 11, 1901; transferred to quartermaster's department, July 1, 1902; promoted to major, January 22, 1904; to lieutenant-colonel deputy quartermaster-general, March 3, 1911; to colonel May 15, 1917; to brigadier-general in the National army, August 5, 1917; and was retired from active service April 21, 1921. As previously noted, he was depot quartermaster at Havana, Cuba, during 1898-1900, was chief quartermaster at Havana, from August, 1900, until May, 1902, and acted as chief-quartermaster of the army of Cuban pacification from 1906 to 1909. In the meantime, from 1902 to 1906, he was on duty in the office of quartermaster-general of the war department, and commanded the Philadelphia depot of the quartermaster's department from 1909 to 1912, following which he resumed duty in the office of the quartermaster-general. He was depot and base quartermaster during the Vera Cruz expedition from May to November, 1914. Following his service with the military commission to France in the early months of 1917, General Baker became chief of the embarkation service, office chief of staff war department, and so served from August 7, 1917, until February, 1918.

General Baker has been a contributor to the literature of war and military practice. He is author of notes on Fire Tactics, published in 1889; Transportation of Troops and Material, published in 1905; Handbook of Transportation by Rail and Commercial Vessels, 1916; and Coordination between the Transportation Companies and the Military Service, 1916.

On retiring from the army General Baker established his permanent home and place of business in Columbus, his residence being in the suburb of Bexley. He is president of the American National Fire Insurance Company, and is vice president of the Market Exchange Bank of Columbus. He is a director of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, is department commander of the American Legion for the state of Ohio, and during the winter of 1921-1922 was chairman of the mayor's committee on unemployment. General Baker is a Presbyterian, is a member of the Masonic Order, and is a member of the Army and Navy clubs of Washington and New York, the Chevy Chase Club, the West Point Mess, Columbus Club.

On June 19, 1889, General Baker married Miss Lucy McCook, daughter of General Alexander McCook, who was a member of the famous McCook family of Civil war fame, whose father, Maj. Daniel McCook, and nine sons all served as commissioned officers with the federal forces. But three of this family survived the Civil war and one of these, Col. George McCook, died later as the result of wounds.

Lester P. Dague Benedict learned the printing trade when a boy, and has been a printer and newspaper publisher for over forty years. He is now proprietor of a paper of large circulation and influence and a job printing office at Ashley in Delaware County.

He was born in Morrow County, Ohio, August 7, 1858, son of Aaron and Caroline (Dague) Benedict. His grandfather, William Benedict, came from Peru, New York. The Dagues were of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry. Both parents were born in Ohio. The mother died in 1867 and the father in 1905. Aaron Benedict for many years was a recognized authority on bee culture. He owned a farm and was engaged in honey production, and kept up this business until very late in life.

Lester P. Dague Benedict attended district schools, also the Friends Academy, and finished his education in the Ohio Northern University at Ada. He had a successful experience as a teacher, and for ten years was connected with the St. Mary Schools and two years at Ada. He learned the printing trade at Rawson, Ohio, and during the two years he was there he published the Rawson Herald and also conducted a job office. Removing to Findlay, Ohio, he bought the German paper, Wachenbote, and was a publisher and editor there for nearly thirty years, from 1893 until 1921. As a young man Mr. Benedict spent considerable time in Delaware County, and it was his many friends in this locality that influenced him, after selling out his interests at Findlay, to locate at Ashley and purchase the Tri-County Star. He is now its owner and publisher, and also has a high class printing office.

July 14, 1886, at Kenton, Ohio, Mr. Benedict married Mrs. Jennie P. (Kelly) Benham, daughter of George J. and Caroline (Runkle) Kelly. Her father was a farmer and stockman. Mrs. Benedict by her first marriage has a daughter, Belle, and a grandson, Clark Frazier. Mr. and Mrs. Benedict are members of the Friends Church. Mr. Benedict's mother had two brothers, John and Addison Dague, who were Union soldiers, John being captain of a gunboat, while Addison was a private. Addison Dague was a lawyer, and served one or more terms in the Iowa State Legislature. John Dague is living at Osceola, Iowa. Addison Dague died at Creston, Iowa, in 1919.

Clarence Addison Benedict, of Toledo, is a nephew of Mr. Benedict. Clarence Addison Benedict was secretary of the draft board of Northwestern Ohio during the World war, and his headquarters were at Findlay. He has been a member of the Ohio Legislature and Senate from Lucas County.

S. C. Priest, M. D. The community of Newark holds in high regard the memory of the service and character of the late Dr. S. C. Priest, who practiced medicine there for over a third of a century.

Doctor Priest was born at Steubenville, Ohio, in 1847. His father, John B. Priest, came from Virginia and settled in Ohio and for many years practiced medicine in Jefferson County. John was a son of Stephen Priest and Mary Mendell. Dr. S. C. Priest attended local schools, and in West Virginia was a student in Bethany College. He studied medicine in Philadelphia, but was graduated from the Cincinnati College of Medicine. After that he located at Newark, and for thirty-four years was one of the reliable men of his profession. He was medical examiner for the Baltimore and Ohio Railway and he belonged to both the County and State Medical societies. He was a Mason and a Shriner.

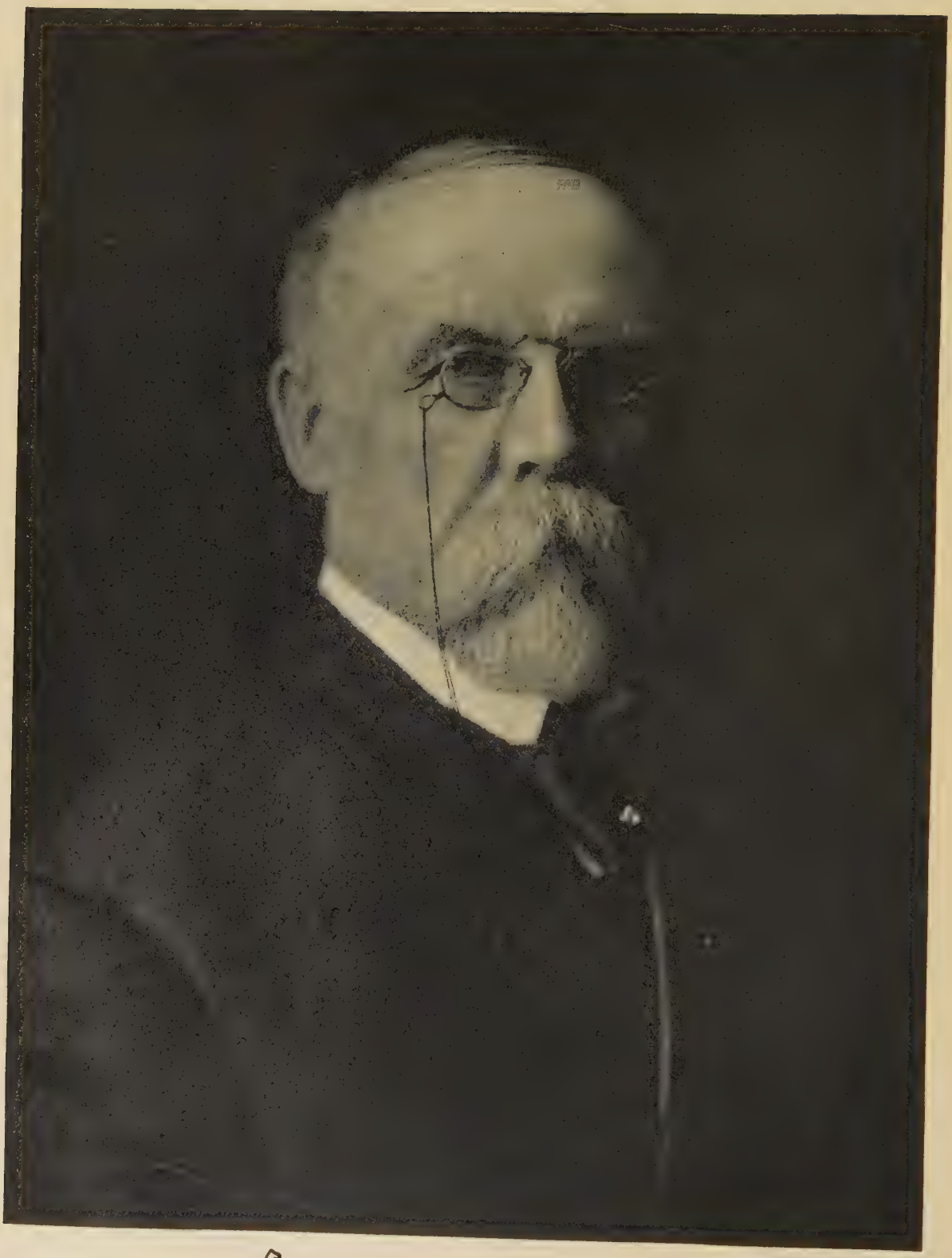
Doctor Priest died in 1920. He married at New Martinsville, West Virginia, in 1873, Miss Agnes S. Cox, who survives him and resides at 19 North Fifth Street in Newark. Five children were born to their marriage: Anna, Verne and Frances, all at home; Ralph, who married Margaret Harris, of Utica, Ohio, and now lives at Columbus, and John Thistle, who married Dorothy Baker and lives at Newark.

Mrs. Priest's ancestors were among the pioneers of Brooke County, Virginia. They included Lieut. Benjamin Tomlinson and Capt. George Cox, who came into Ohio with the Virginia Militia in 1774. George Cox was a son of Col. Isaac Cox, who married Miss Morehead. His brother, Benjamin Cox, settled at Dayton, Ohio. Benjamin Tomlinson was a son of Joseph Tomlinson and his wife, Drusilla Van Sweargen, of Maryland. Mrs. Priest is a daughter of Friend and Susan (Thistle) Cox, of New Martinsville, West Virginia, where her father was a prominent business man. Mrs. Priest and her daughter, Miss Anna, are members of United Revolution Chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution, and Mrs. Priest is a former regent of the chapter.

Walter Herberich is secretary of the Herberich, Hall, Harter Company, the largest general insurance organization at Akron, with which various members of the Herberich family have been identified for many years. Other pages of this publication contain more extended reference to Mr. Herberich's father, David, and brothers, Charles and Alfred H.

Walter Herberich was born August 10, 1889, was reared in Akron, attended public schools there, and at the age of sixteen entered his father's office, and his experience has been continuous since then in the insurance and real estate business. The Herberich, Hall, Harter Company, of which he is secretary, in addition to handling every branch of insurance also conducts a real estate and mortgage loan department.

Mr. Herberich is also secretary of the Herberich Realty Company, which has put on a number of successful allotments at Akron, including Idadale, Haenicka Park, Rose Lawn, Vandalia Heights and Orchard Grove. Mr. Herberich is treasurer of the Depositors Savings & Trust Company, is secretary-treasurer of the Elm Estate Company and a stockholder in several other banks and manufacturing interests. He is a director of the Atlantic Foundry Company.



James R. Lytle

During the World war Mr. Herberich was identified with all the organizations working for the stress of the Government in that city. He is a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, at Akron, is affiliated with the Masonic bodies, including Akron Lodge, Washington Chapter, Akron Council, Bethany Commandery, Yusef Khan Grotto, and at Cleveland is a member of the Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and in Akron of Tadmor Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the City Club, the Portage Country Club, Rotary Club, and his chief diversions are golf and motoring.

He married Miss Mary Effie Esselburn, daughter of the late William Esselburn. Mrs. Herberich is one of the leaders in Akron's social, club and church life. They have two children, Mary Alfraretta and Walter William.

Ella Dennis Welch, M. D. One of the pioneer woman physicians of Central Ohio is Dr. Ella Dennis Welch, of Ashley, Delaware County. She has been in practice thirty years, and has made her profession a medium through which her essentially charitable nature has reflected benefits and kindly acts over an entire community. She is still active in the work. She and her son, Dennis G. Welch, maintain offices together, her son being a competent dentist of this vicinity.

Dr. Ella Dennis Welch was born in Morrow County, daughter of David and Luccette Dennis. As a girl she was moved by a strong ambition to study medicine, but could not overcome the objections of her parents to such a course. In 1882 she was married to Rodman P. Welch, who was thoroughly in sympathy with her aims and understood her remarkable qualifications for her chosen career. It was largely through his influence and aid that she was able to attain her ambition. She tried to enter Starling Medical College at Columbus, but was refused admission, women not being admitted, so consequently enrolled in Toledo Medical College, where she was graduated with honors and the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1894. She also did postgraduate work in Western Reserve University at Cleveland. Since 1894 Doctor Welch has been in active practice at Ashley. She makes a specialty of obstetrics. Her name is greatly beloved all through this section, and in addition to being a family physician she has accepted many other opportunities to do good.

Rodman P. Welch is a son of George and Jane (Purinton) Welch, and a grandson of Thomas and Polly (Burt) Welch. The Welches were of Irish descent, and they came from Vermont to Ohio about 1832. The family was represented in the Revolutionary war. Thomas Welch was a Baptist minister. Jane Purinton, who married George Welch, was the daughter of Sophia Dow, who came to the United States with three brothers. The Purinton family in America traces its ancestry to Asa Purinton, who came to Vermont in 1717.

Dennis G. Welch was born in Kingston Township, Delaware County, August 17, 1884, and was educated at Ashley. He graduated from high school in 1904, and did some preparatory work before entering upon his professional education. He graduated in dental surgery in 1908 from the Starling-Ohio State University at Columbus. Since that year he has had an extensive practice in his profession at Ashley. He is a member of the Psi Omega college fraternity, is a past master of Ashley Masonic Lodge No. 407, and a member of Marion Commandery, Knights Templar.

August 17, 1908, at Ashley, Dr. Dennis Welch married Florence Maloney, daughter of Charles and Clara (Goddard) Maloney. Her parents are natives of Ohio. Doctor and Mrs. Welch have four children, Lowell, Bernice, Martha and Ann.

James R. Lytle. The acknowledged authority on local history in Delaware County, and author of what is regarded as the definitive work of county history is James R. Lytle, a man of versatile intellect, talents and accomplishments, who has been a member of the Delaware bar for over half a century, and is known to everybody in the county. Because of the personal esteem paid him, there is perhaps a more dictinctive fitness to the good work of his life than any financial reward.

Mr. Lytle was born at Clearcreek, Fairfield County, Ohio, April 9, 1841, son of James R. and Catherine (Freymyer) Lytle. His paternal grandparents were Andrew and Catherine (Henderson) Lytle. The Lytles were Scotch-Irish and were early settlers in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. The Freymyers were of Holland-Dutch stock. James R. Lytle, Sr., as also his wife, was a native of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and from there he came to Ohio and was a farmer and always interested in public affairs. At one time he was a member of the old "know nothing" party.

James R. Lytle, Jr., grew up on his father's farm, had an increasing share of this work as age and strength came to him, and his education was the result of spending some winter terms at school. Finally, when approaching his majority, he came to Delaware and completed one year of work in Ohio Wesleyan University. About that time the Civil war had begun, and he went back to Clearcreek with the intention of enlisting, but he found that his younger brother had enlisted. His father felt that the older son should remain to help on the farm, as there were 100 acres under cultivation, and this seemed more than the father could handle alone. James R. Lytle therefore remained on the farm until May 2, 1864, when he enlisted in Company I of the One Hundred Fifty-ninth Infantry, and was with his regiment until the close of the war. In the fall of 1865 he resumed his studies in Ohio Wesleyan University, and remained until graduating in 1868. During his last year in college he studied law in the office of General Jones, and on June 30, 1869, was admitted to the bar. For about a year he practiced at Fremont, and then accepted the invitation of General Jones to a partnership. Consequently he returned to Delaware, and for over a quarter of a century he and General Jones constituted one of the wealthiest law firms of the county.

Mr. Lytle has not been an office seeker. He has found the practice of law sufficient to satisfy his ambitions for service. However, he has been interested in politics and for four years was chairman of the republican county organization. His knowledge of and popularity among the people meant much to his party. It was at the request of the citizens of Delaware County that he compiled his history.

On July 28, 1868, at Delaware, he married Miss Cornelia A. Chase, daughter of Rev. Ira and Jane (Wilcox) Chase, her father a native of Maine and her mother of Pennsylvania. Her father was a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Conference, and in the early days was associated with Bishop Thompson at Toledo. He frequently did missionary work among the Indians, and had many interesting experiences with them. During his later years Rev. Ira Chase lived on a farm. Mr. and Mrs. Lytle had three children, their only son, James William, being deceased. Their daughters made interesting marriages. Viola M., after completing her musical education in Ohio Wesleyan University, went abroad to study in Berlin, and while there she met and married Baron Edgar Von Euchtritz, and has since remained in Berlin. Her sister, Cornelia Francio, during a visit to her sister in Germany met Count Boto Eulenberg, and they were married, and she too remained in Germany, though returning each year to visit her parents. Count Eulen-

berg died, and in 1921 she became the wife of Count Von Finckenstein, who was at the head of the Red Cross work in Germany during the World war and also a member of the Reichstag. Cornelia Francio was on the boat on her way to America in July, 1914, when the announcement of the outbreaking of war was received by wireless, and as she landed shortly afterward she brought this information to her father before it was published in the New York newspapers.

Mr. Lytle's wife died in February, 1917, and on account of war conditions it was eighteen months before he could get word to his daughters informing them of the tragedy.

Though past the age of four score, Mr. Lytle is an exceptionally vigorous man, always in his office every day, and still practices law, though he seldom appears in court. His practice is confined largely to advising and counseling his friends. In 1861 he became a member of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, and for many years has been on the church board. He is a Royal Arch Chapter and Council degree Mason, and takes an active part in the Grand Army post.

John Edward Anderson is a structural engineer with an extended experience, and has been selected as the resident engineer in charge of the extensive program of building now underway for the Ohio Wesleyan University.

Mr. Anderson was born at Walkerville, West Virginia, July 25, 1879, and his people have been Virginians since early Colonial times. His parents were James Jonathan and Lucretia (Bleigh) Anderson. His mother is still living on the old homestead where James J. Anderson was born. Though a Virginian, he was a Union soldier during the Civil war, serving three and one-half years in Company A of the Tenth West Virginia Regiment. After the war he became a farmer, and always took much interest in public affairs.

John Edward Anderson attended the public graded schools of West Virginia, and was a student in the Wesleyan College at Buckhannon in his native state. He did not graduate, and, leaving West Virginia, he went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and served an apprenticeship of study and practical experience in structual engineering under Mr. Schotte, one of the prominent men in that profession. He has done much work as superintendent of building construction, and his reputation caused him to be selected as resident engineer at the Ohio Wesleyan University. The program for improvement at the university at Delaware caused an ultimate expenditure of about $8,000,000. This program embraces about sixteen new buildings, including the recently completed Austin Hall and power plant, and also Art Building, Woman's Building, dormitory, chemistry laboratory, and a splendidly equipped astronomical observatory. Mr. Anderson has found a special charm in the companionship of university men at Delaware, more than compensating for a larger financial reward open to a man of his experience elsewhere.

He is a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and he and his family are members of the Williams Street Methodist Episcopal Church. At Washington, Pennsylvania, in June, 1904, he married Miss Bertha May Gibson, daughter of Walter L. and Sarah (Smith) Gibson. Her parents are living in Pennsylvania, her father being in the oil business. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are James Gibson, John Edward, Jr., and Jean.

Oscar Case is proprietor of the Case Creamery Company at Delaware. The patrons of that business know and appreciate its high class and efficient management and the splendid quality of its product. Some of them also know something of the personal history of its proprietor, how he started when a boy just in his teens in the milk business, and by his persistency, enthusiasm and high ideals has developed a service that is one of the most essential in any community.

He was born on a farm in Delaware County, February 20, 1889, son of Ralph Frank and Ida (Hickel) Case, and grandson of Ralph and Esther Ann (Holcomb) Case. The Holcombs were an old Connecticut family. Ralph Frank Case died in 1901. The widowed mother still occupies the old home farm, which is owned by Oscar Case.

Oscar Case attended school only when there was no pressing work to do on the farm. His education ended when he was fifteen. Two years previously he had started in an exceedingly modest way to sell milk, at first only three pints daily. He kept adding to his list of patrons so that at the end of two years he needed a wagon for his delivery, and there has been no interruption to an increased volume of business and progressive addition of facilities to make a perfect service. He put in a supply station in the City of Delaware, then a creamery with modern machinery for pasteurizing milk and the manufacture of butter, and in 1916 erected the most modern creamery and ice cream plant in the state. It occupies a fine building one block from Main Street.

In this flourishing business Mr. Case has realized the dream and ambition of his boyhood. He understood even as a boy that quality was what people demanded, and his success has been largely due to his ability to maintain his standards above the ordinary.

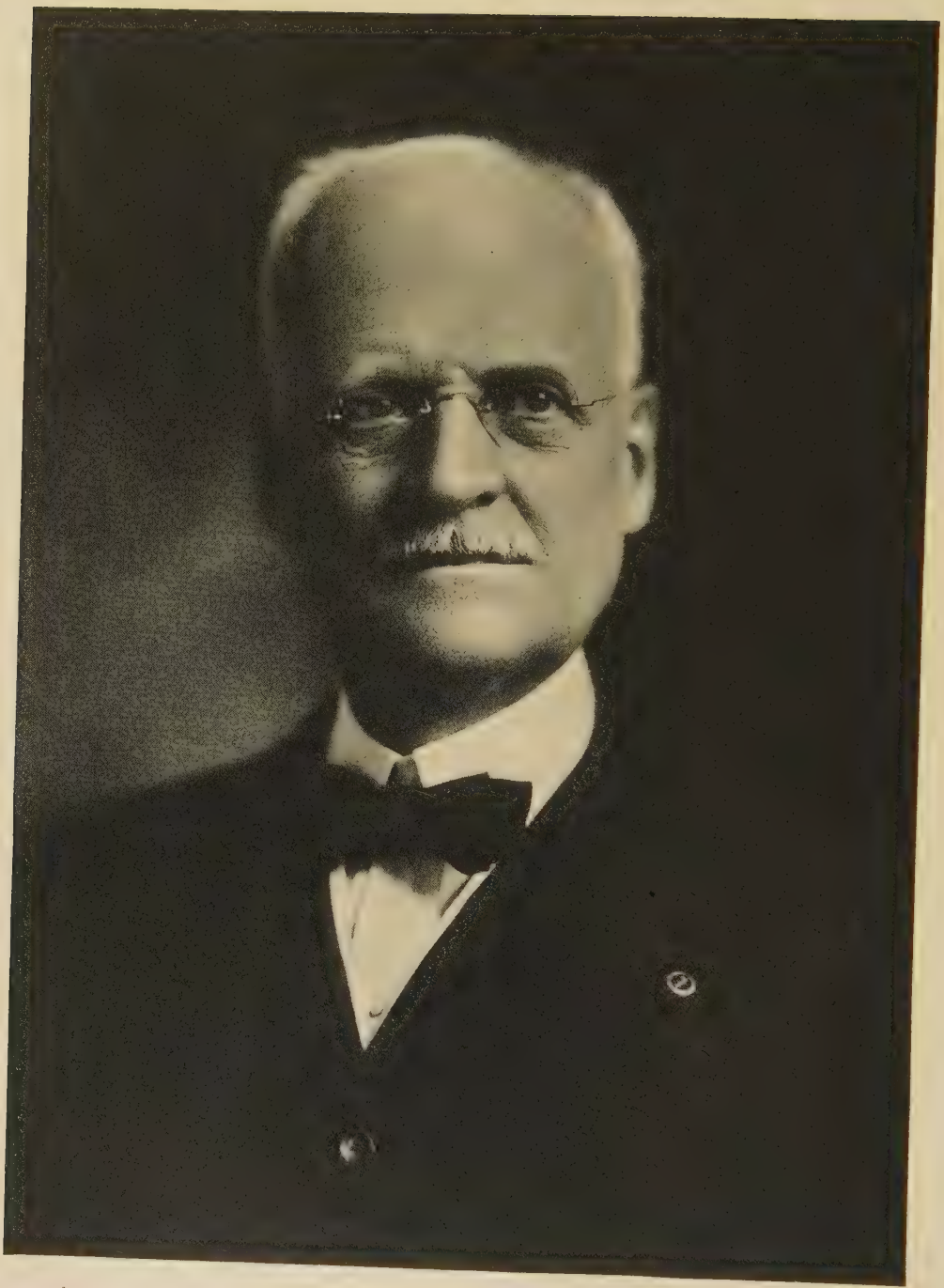
In March, 1916, at Columbus, Mr. Case married Miss Ethel McCloud, daughter of William and Sarah (Boddel) McCloud, who live at Columbus. Her father was a Union soldier in the Civil war.

Associated with Mr. Oscar Case for a number of years has been his brother, Craiton Case, who was born July 9, 1887, and both grew up on the farm together and had similar educational advantages. Craiton Case has been making his own way since he was fourteen. He did farm work by the month, and he now manages the home farm and assists in the creamery business. He is unmarried.

Henry L. Spelman through an active life of more than three score and ten years has been an important factor in the business affairs of Portage, Stark and adjoining counties in Ohio.

He was born at Edinburg, in Portage County, February 21, 1852. His parents were Marcus F. and Mary Ann (Reed) Spelman. The Spelman family settled in Randolph Township of Portage County as early as 1816. Marcus Spelman was born at Granville, Massachusetts, in 1809. His father, Festus, was born in the same place and died when his son Marcus was young. Marcus Spelman taught school and became greatly interested in church and anti-slavery work. He was a deacon of the Congregational Church at Rootstown for forty years. His wife, Mary Ann Reed, was born at Rootstown, in 1811, daughter of Abram Reed, who came from Connecticut. Marcus Spelman and his wife both reached the venerable age of ninety-one years, and they were married sixty-nine years.

Henry L. Spelman attended the public schools. In 1866, when he was fourteen years of age, his father sold the farm, and at that time Henry L. started for himself, becoming a trader in live stock. At the age of twenty he engaged in the mercantile business at Rootstown. Prior to that he had bought stock of several hundred maps of the United States and traveled as far west as St. Louis, Missouri, sell-



A. B. Walker, M. D.

ing them. He was in the mercantile business at Rootstown for about five years with a partner, and then became proprietor, gradually engaging in the produce business, handling butter and eggs. About 1882 he moved his business to Canton, where he continued the produce business until about 1900. In 1890 he had also engaged in the wholesale and retail ice business at Canton. He was also in the coal business, and for fourteen years he conducted a creamery at Hartville. In 1903 he removed his home to Kent, but supervised his ice and other business interests. For a number of years he owned and operated the delivery system for the delivery of groceries and meats for merchants in Cuyahoga Falls, and has a similar system in Kent and Ravenna. He still retains his interest in coal yards at Canton. Since 1903 he has been dealing in real estate at Kent. He has owned several farms in Portage County, and is a director in the County Savings and Loan Company of Ravenna.

On September 9, 1874, Mr. Spelman married Miss Julia A. Burt, born in Brimfield Township, Portage County, daughter of Washington and Electra (Babcock) Burt, also natives of Portage County. Her grandparents came from Connecticut and Massachusetts. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Spelman are: Comfort Carrie, wife of Charles W. Mathivet, of Cleveland; Marcus Burt, of Kent who is associated with his father in business; and Rollin who has charge of his father's coal business in Canton.

Mr. Spelman has served as treasurer and trustee of the Congregational Church for many years. He is an independent republican, and for a number of years was prominent in the prohibition movement in Portage County, serving as chairman of the dry committee since 1907 and was largely instrumental in making the county dry.

Watson Ellsworth Slabaugh, a former president of the Akron Bar Association, has been one of the able lawyers of the Akron bar for nearly forty years.

He was born in Portage County, Ohio, September 25, 1859, son of Amos L. and Julia (France) Slabaugh. He grew up in Portage County, attended public schools there, attended the Ohio State University in 1881 and Mount Union College at Alliance in 1882. He completed his law studies under Henry W. Harter at Canton, and in 1885 received the Bachelor of Laws degree at the Cincinnati Law School. Admitted to the bar of Ohio in 1885, he subsequently was admitted to practice in the United States Federal courts in Ohio and the Circuit Court of Appeals in 1900. He has been a member of some of Akron's most notable law firms. He practiced with the firm of Otis & Slabaugh from 1885 to 1887, with Marvin, Atterholt & Slabaugh from 1887 to 1892, with the firm of Slabaugh & Sieberling from 1896 to 1904, with Slabaugh, Sieberling, Huber & Guinther from 1904, and since 1920 has been a member of the firm of Slabaugh, Young, Sieberling, Huber & Guinther.

Mr. Slabaugh is a member of the Summit County, Ohio State and American Bar associations, and was elected president of the Akron Bar Association in 1911. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and is an elder in the High Street Church of Christ.

Walter Blaine Wanamaker, a member of the Akron bar, was admitted to practice just before he joined the colors at America's entrance into the World war, and he rendered a distinguished service in France as an aviator until shot down. He has practiced at Akron since the war.

His father, Judge Reuben M. Wanamaker, was one of Ohio's most distinguished attorneys and jurists, and was associate justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio from January, 1913, until his death, June 18, 1924. Judge Wanamaker married Fannie Jane Snow.

Walter Blaine Wanamaker was born at Akron, March 16, 1894. He was educated in public schools, at Buchtel College of Akron, and was graduated from the law department of Ohio State University of Columbus in 1917. On May 12 he was admitted to the bar, and the next day he enlisted, joining one of the first officers training camps in Texas. On July 22, 1917, he volunteered for service in the Aviation Corps, being trained in Canada, and in January, 1918, was sent to England with the Twenty-seventh Squadron. From England he went to France, and while on duty was shot down and captured by the Germans. He was put in a German Hospital as a prisoner, and endured the poor facilities and the negligent service of a prison hospital for four months. After the armistice he was released, returned to France on December 2, 1918, and reached Akron in April, 1919.

He immediately engaged in the private practice of law, in association with Lockwell & Grant, and since January, 1921, has been assistant prosecuting attorney of Summit County. He is a member of the County and State Bar associations, belongs to the Sigma Chi College fraternity, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a member of the Fairlawn Heights Golf Club, the University Club, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. Mr. Wanamaker married, October 22, 1921, Miss Agnes Isabel Fox, of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Alonzo Byron Walker, M. D., Counsel Emeritus Aultman Hospital Staff. From the standpoint of continuous service Doctor Walker is now the oldest practicing physician in the City of Canton. He has been in practice here over fifty years. He has long been prominent as a surgeon, and was one of the first surgeons in this part of Ohio elected a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

Doctor Walker is a son of a physician, and was born at New Somerset, Ohio, in 1851. His parents were Dr. Columbus Thomas and Mary Jane (Runyon) Walker. However, Doctor Walker had to exercise his own powers of contrivance and get his medical education at the expense of his own earnings and efforts. He attended district schools, the Waynesburg High School, the Mount Union College at Alliance, in Stark County, and during 1879-80 attended lectures in the Rush Medical College of Chicago. From there he entered the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1881. He at once located at Canton. During his long career here he has done more than perform the routine duties of a professional man. He has been a keen observer, has contributed the knowledge and experience gained in his individual practice to the knowledge of the profession at large, and his papers and addresses made before the County Medical Society, the Union Medical Association of Northeastern Ohio, the Mississippi Valley Medical Association, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and other associations include a wide list of topics indicating his unusual ability as a general surgeon.

Doctor Walker was elected president of the Stark County Medical Society in 1886, and again in 1905 was president of the Union Medical Association of Northeastern Ohio in 1893 and again in 1906, and in 1908 was elected vice president of the Ohio Medical Association, serving as a delegate to the State Association in 1904 and as a delegate to the American Association in 1906-07 and again in 1915-16. He was a member of the Ninth, the Thirteenth and the Seventeenth International Congresses of Medi-

cine. Doctor Walker has come in touch with the most eminent physicians and surgeons in the world. In 1900 he attended clinics in Dublin, Edinburgh, London, Paris, Vienna and Berlin, and during another trip abroad in 1913 attended clinics in London and Paris. He was chosen a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons June 22, 1914, and only men of definite achievement in surgery are elected a Fellow in this college.

Doctor Walker has been surgeon for the Stark Electric Railroad Company, was president of the Aultman Hospital Medical Staff in 1900, and subsequently consulting surgeon at that hospital, has been president of the staff of Ingleside Hospital, and was vice president of the Jefferson Medical College Alumni for Ohio in 1905. In addition to numerous papers contributed to the programs of local medical societies Doctor Walker in 1891 addressed the American Medical Association on "Papillomatous Cystoma of the Ovary," and has delivered addresses before the State Medical Association on the subject of Ovariotomy and Tonsillectomy.

Doctor Walker is a democrat, though twice he voted for William McKinley for president. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine, and belongs to the Canton Club, the Country Club, the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the First Methodist Episcopal Church. He married at Waynesburg, Ohio, in 1876, Miss Miranda M. Stull, daughter of David Stull. Two daughters were born to their marriage, Helen, wife of A. D. McCarty, and Hazel, who married George W. McKay. The mother of these children died in July, 1916. Doctor Walker married October 17, 1923, Miss Lena Dixon, of Carmon, Illinois.

Alexander Stearns McCormick, M. D. While his career has brought him an extended experience in the general practice of medicine and surgery, Doctor McCormick, of Akron, excels in that difficult specialty of anesthesia. He is one of the ranking anesthetists in the State of Ohio, and his service has brought him recognition throughout the profession.

He was born at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, May 22, 1876, son of Duncan and Susan Gertrude (Smith) McCormick. His mother's ancestry included that of the Stearns family, which has been in America since the earliest Colonial settlements. Duncan McCormick, who died in 1923, at the age of seventy-seven, was a descendant of King David I of Scotland. He was a graduate of McGill University, and as an attorney held the titles of King's Counselor and Bachelor of Civil Law, being engaged in an extensive practice at Montreal for many years.

Alexander Stearns McCormick was educated in private schools and at McGill University in Montreal, where he gained the degrees Associate in Arts and Literate in Arts. In 1895, at the age of nineteen, he enlisted and served eleven years with the Third Regiment, Victoria Rifles of Canada, beginning as a private and retiring with the rank of captain in 1907. During the South African war from 1899 to 1902 he was a corporal in the Second Battalion, Royal Canadian Regiment of Infantry, a battalion that singularly distinguished itself, taking part in forty-one engagements and in the battle of Paardeberg on February 16, 1900, making an advance and charge that compelled the surrender of a Boer command of 5,000 men. For his military services Doctor McCormick received two medals, one of them the Queen's medal with three bars.

About the time he left the army he took up the study of medicine, and was graduated in 1910 from Western University at London, Ontario, and also took special courses in McGill University, the University of Toronto, Columbia University, spending some time in Sloans Maternity Hospital and in the New York Polyclinic. Doctor McCormick located at Akron in April, 1911. For several years he practiced internal medicine, but in 1915 limited his practice to anesthesia. Doctor McCormick is chief anesthetist of the Akron Children's Hospital, is a senior anesthetist at the People's Hospital, is visiting anesthetist to all the other hospitals in Summit County, and has been director of the Inter-State Society of anesthetists and is a member of the American Association of Anesthetists and the National Anesthesia Research Society. He has contributed a number of articles on his specialty to such publications as the Urological and Cutaneous Review, the Ohio State Medical Journal, the American Journal of Surgery and the Therapeutic Review.

One service of more than ordinary merit rendered by Doctor McCormick since coming to Akron was his strenuous work of secretary of the Summit County Medical Society. He first took that office in January, 1913, holding it six years, and since 1920 has again been secretary. In 1912 the society had only ninety-six members, and its membership is now over 300. He served as historian of the society three years. Doctor McCormick is secretary of the medical staff of the Children's Hospital, and is a member of the Ohio State and the American Medical associations. During the World war he was secretary of the Summit County branch of the medical section, National Council of Defense. In May, 1918, he was commissioned captain in the Canadian Army Medical Corps, but was not called for active duty. In the meantime he had applied for American citizenship, and his final papers were given in 1919.

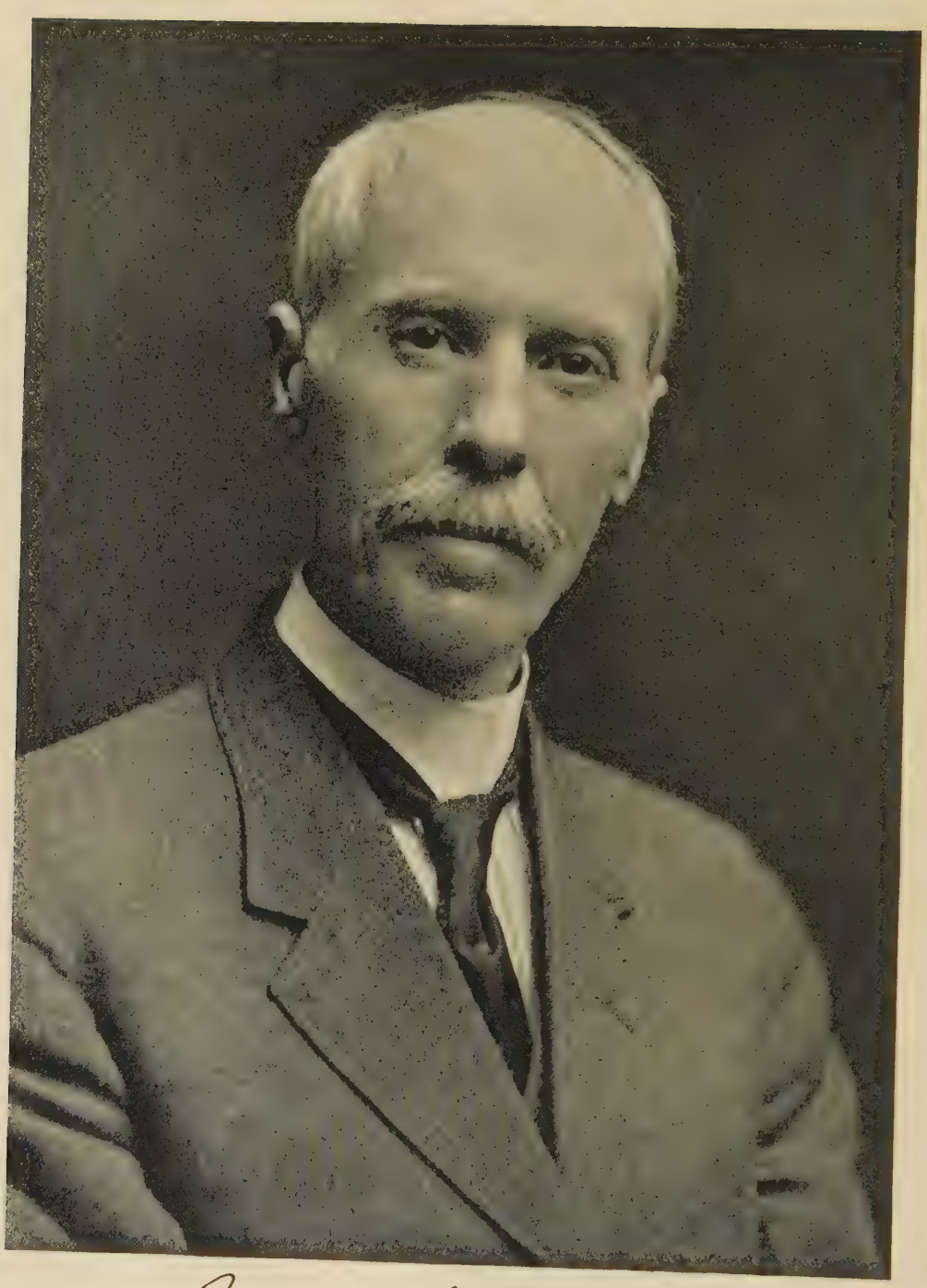
At the height of his profession Doctor McCormick has found his chief avocation in music. He has a collection of disc records pronounced by the Victor Company as the finest, though not the largest, in North America. He also has a fine library of literature. He is a member of the Rotary Club, University Club, Fairlawn Heights Golf Club, life member of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, and is president of the United Service Club of Akron, made up of veterans of military service in different countries. Doctor McCormick organized the Delta Kappa Epsilon Association of Akron. He is a Presbyterian.

Doctor McCormick married, in 1908, Ruth Barbara Morrison, of New York, daughter of William Morrison. She is prominent in Akron social circles.

The Summit County Medical Society is the fourth largest organization of the kind in Ohio, has been in existence more than eighty years, and no medical society in the state presents a finer record of war service. The facts for the brief sketch that follows were furnished by the society's secretary, Dr. A. S. McCormick of Akron.

The history of medicine in Summit County begins in 1800 with the founding of Hudson, the oldest settlement in the county. One of the founders of Hudson was Moses Thompson, M. D. (1776-1858). The first physician on the site of Akron was Titus Chapman, who located there in 1815.

The Summit County Medical Society, founded in 1842, when Akron had but a population of 2,400, has for its object: An association for mutual fellowship; the maintenance of harmony, unison and good government among members, thereby promoting the character, honor, interests and usefulness of the profession; and the cultivation and advancement of medical science and literature, and the elevation of the standard of professional education.



Joseph G. Sanborn

Since its origin the society has had 603 members, the present membership being 324. How various members have influenced the development of Akron is indicated by a street named after S. W. Bartges, M. D. (1814-82), Prof. S. H. Coburn, M. D. (1809-88), E. Crosby, M. D. (1779-1882), A. M. Cole (1855-1922), and the great company founded in 1870 by B. F. Goodrich, M. D. (1841-88). Members of the Society who have served in the Ohio Legislature are M. Jewett (1815-89), L. S. Ebright (1844-1917), H. S. Davidson, and associate members W. R. Price and F. B. Burch.

Active in all matters pertaining to the health of the community, the society as an organization or through its individual members was largely responsible for the founding of the Akron City Hospital in 1887, the Children's Hospital in 1905, the People's Hospital in 1914, the Citizen's Hospital in 1915 and other private institutions.

The members hold degrees from 112 universities and colleges of seven countries. By birth the members are from Austria, Canada, China, France, Great Britain, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Roumania, Russia, Syria and the United States. The seven honorary members are among the most famous medical men of North America. The fifty associate members include leaders in Akron's business and professional circles who take a special interest in the society and the work of its medical members.

The society meets monthly and holds special dinners in the spring and autumn, the speakers on such occasions being leading members of the profession in this country and abroad. In addition, a medical section and a surgical section meet monthly, with speakers from the society. During the summer a series of golf games scheduled by the society, ending with the championship match in September. Throughout the country the Summit County Medical Society has the reputation of being among the very best in its management, program, attendance and all the items that make for efficiency.

The war record of the society is specially entitled to recognition in any history of Ohio. During 113 years members of the society have participated in numerous wars. Four members were in service in the War of 1812; twenty-four were in the Civil war, from 1861 to 1865; there was one from Summit County in the Roumanian Army during the Russo-Turkish war of 1877; one in the North West Canadian rebellion of 1885. From the Summit County Medical Society eight members went into service in the Spanish-American war in 1898, one served with the British Army in the South African war of 1899-1902, one was in the Philippine campaign from 1899 to 1904. During the trouble on the Mexican border in 1916-17 twenty-six of the society's members were enrolled. During the period of the World war from 1914 to 1918 a total of 137 members of the Summit County Medical Society were under commission or in active service in some capacity. Seven were with the British Army, three with the Canadian Army, three with the French Army, one with the German Army, one with the Italian Army, while there were 107 in the United States Army, ten in the United States Navy, two with the American Red Cross, two with the United States Public Health Service, and one with the United States Secret Service. The ranks held by these medical officers included one colonel, one lieutenant-colonel eight majors, forty-eight captains, seventy lieutenants and nine other ranks. There was also a Summit County physician who was with the United States Army in the Siberian expedition in 1919.

The total war record, unsurpassed by any other county medical society in Ohio, is 204 members. In addition, forty members have served in times of peace in the Canadian, Hungarian, Roumanian, United States Army and Navy, bringing the total military record to 244.

Wendell Lewis Willkie. Since his return from abroad, where he served a year with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, Wendell Lewis Willkie has practiced law in Akron.

He was born at Elwood, Madison County, Indiana, February 18, 1891, and is one of three members of his family who have practiced law there. His father, an active member of the Elwood bar, is Herman F. Willkie, a native of Germany but brought to this country when five years old. He graduated from the Methodist college at Fort Wayne, Indiana, and from the law department of Valparaiso University in Indiana. His wife was Henrietta Trisch, who was born at Warsaw, Indiana.

Fourth in a family of six children, Wendell Lewis Willkie graduated from the Elwood High School, attended Culver Military Academy in Indiana, and took his Bachelor of Arts degree at Indiana State University in 1912. He also did some special work in Oberlin College, and in 1914 was awarded the Bachelor of Laws degree by Indiana University. He is a member of the college fraternities Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Phi and Delta Sigma Rho.

America's entrance into the World war found him engaged in practice with his father at Elwood. On April 6, 1917, he enlisted attending the First Officers Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, was commissioned a captain of field artillery, and with the Eighty-fourth Division spent a year in France. After leaving the service he joined the legal department of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company at Akron, and since January 1, 1921, has been a member of the law firm of Mather, Nesbitt & Willkie.

For two years he was commander of Summit Post No. 19 of the American Legion. He is a Mason and Elk and member of the University Club and Exchange Club. He was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention in 1924. By his marriage to Miss Edith Wilk, of Rushville, Indiana, he has one son, Phillip.

Joseph George Sanborn. Ohio, the state where the idea of building and savings associations first took root, has naturally produced a large number of the most prosperous organizations of its kind anywhere. One of them is the Wayne Building & Loan Company, with which for many years Joseph George Sanborn has been identified as secretary. Mr. Sanborn was formerly a newspaper editor and publisher.

A native son of Ohio, he was born on a farm in Holmes County, November 8, 1847, and is of old English and American Colonial stock. The name has been spelled differently, the successive spellings in this branch of the family being Samborn, Samborne and, lastly, Sanborn. There is record of Stephen Bachiler, who was born in Southern England in 1560, who became a minister in the Church of England, but breaking away from the established church, came to America in 1632. His daughter Anne had married a Samborne, and her sons, Lieutenant John, William and Stephen, accompanied their grandfather, Rev. Stephen Bachiler, to this country. Lieut. John Samborne was the progenitor of the line from which our subject came.

Of these grandsons, John Samborne, who was born in 1620, married Mary Tuck. Their son, Nathaniel Samborne, born January 27, 1666, tenth of their twelve children, was born at Hampton, New Hampshire, and his second wife was Sarah Nason. Their son, Jacob, born May 7, 1711, became the father

of Jeremiah Sanborn, who married Betsey Beverly and was a soldier of the Revolution, and in turn was the father of Joseph Beverly Sanborn. Joseph Beverly Sanborn, born July 4, 1762, married Molly Locke, and their son, Joseph Beverly Sanborn, was the father of the Wooster business man.

Joseph Beverly Sanborn, who was born in Chichester, New Hampshire, March 6, 1810, a deacon in the Congregational Church and a captain of infantry, married Mary Jane Smith, who was born at Hampton, New Hampshire, September 16, 1810. In 1833 these good people came to Ohio, shortly after their marriage, living in Holmes County, but in the early childhood of Joseph George Sanborn moved to Loudonville in Ashland County, Ohio. Joseph B. Sanborn was a farmer and teacher, and justice of the peace at Loudonville. He died in 1882. He and his wife had six children.

Joseph George Sanborn was reared at Loudonville and attended the common schools and an academy. When he was sixteen years of age he went to work in the printing shop of the Ashland Times, starting a three years' apprenticeship and subsequently was promoted to foreman of the composing department, and still later advanced to the position of local editor of the paper. He was with the Times of Ashland for six years, and in 1870 he and Capt. A. S. McClure bought the Wooster Republican. Mr. Sanborn went in debt for a portion of his interest, but he was a thorough and practical printer, industrious and resourceful, made it a rule to pay his bills promptly, and as a result the newspaper was soon on a substantial footing. He continued for fifteen years in the newspaper business at Wooster.

The general confidence inspired by his handling of business affairs caused him to be named frequently as an administrator of estates and executor of wills, and from 1885 until 1899 he devoted most of his time to the real estate and investment business and to his duties as an administrator of estates.

Mr. Sanborn in 1899, with other associates, organized the Wayne Building & Loan Company, and has been its first and only secretary, filling this executive and administrative office now for a quarter of a century. This company has enjoyed remarkable growth, and has rendered a corresponding volume of important service to home owners and prospective home owners. The company now has assets of $10,000,000.

In his career as a business man and citizen the outstanding fact has been "confidence," and all who have had business relations with him have shared in a common feeling of implicit trust in both his word and deed. His aid has been withheld from no worthy cause, and he has contributed freely of his own time and his means to every worthy social or civic project in the community within recent years. He was a member of the committee of general arrangements having charge of the centennial celebration of Wayne County's one hundredth anniversary, held in Wooster, August 11-15, 1896, and served as secretary of that committee. He was the author of the closing address to the public, issued at the final meeting of the committee, which was reproduced in the newspaper press and "Picturesque Wayne." Without political ambition for office, he has been an active republican and is a member of the National Republican League. He also belongs to the National Geographic Society. Mr. Sanborn has been a generous contributor to and an active worker in the Bethany Baptist Church at Wooster. For twenty years he has been treasurer of the Wooster Cemetery Association.

Mr. Sanborn was happily married for twenty-eight years. He and Kate E. Day were married November 30, 1876, their companionship being interrupted by the death of Mrs. Sanborn on February 6, 1903. Her father, Dr. Stephen F. Day, was a pioneer physician and surgeon of Wooster, where Mrs. Sanborn was born and reared. The three children of Mr. Sanborn are: Mary, wife of Rev. H. D. Allen, a Baptist minister; Martha V., at home with her father, and Lloyd D., assistant secretary of the Wayne Building & Loan Company. Joseph Sanborn Allen and James Henry Allen are grandsons of Mr. Sanborn.

John Buckner Floyd, who for many years has been an active member of the bar at Ravenna, bears the name at once suggestive of a prominent Southern ancestry, and is, in fact, a member of the distinguished Virginia Floyds.

He was born at Darlington, South Carolina, October 10, 1869, son of John and Tamsie A. (Bland) Floyd, a grandson of Capt. W. J. Floyd, and a great-grandson of Buckner Floyd, a native Virginian. John Floyd, the father of the subject of this sketch, who was born January 20, 1836, was a volunteer Confederate soldier, and went out as third sergeant in the Darlington Guards. Later he was promoted to first-lieutenant of the Darlington Rifles, later became the captain, and saw some arduous and dangerous service. He was several times wounded, and he was an officer of the day of his regiment, the Eighteenth South Carolina Volunteers, when the crater was blown up during the siege of Petersburg, Virginia. After the war he married and engaged in merchandising, and held numerous offices of trust and responsibility, being elected to the South Carolina Legislature and serving from 1888 to 1890. His death occurred July 4, 1910.

John Buckner Floyd grew up in South Carolina, and was a student in the Darlington Military Academy at the same time with David F. Houston, who subsequently became secretary of agriculture and secretary of the treasury under President Wilson. He also attended a preparatory school in North Carolina, and during 1892 was a student of law in the University of North Carolina. He continued his law studies at Darlington, was admitted to the South Carolina bar in 1895, and engaged in practice in his home town of Darlington for a few years.

Coming to Ravenna, Ohio, Mr. Floyd was admitted to the Ohio bar, and for a year and a half was associated in practice with J. P. Dawley and W. D. Meals at Cleveland. He then returned to Darlington, South Carolina, and practiced law there for seven years. Since then he has resumed his home at Ravenna, Ohio, where in connection with law practice he has developed the Sontum estate, of which his wife is the sole heir.

In 1897 Mr. Floyd married Miss Louise Sontum, who was born at Ravenna, daughter of Otto and Mary (Kramer) Sontum. Her father was born at Felbert, Prussia, while her mother was born at Randolph, Portage County, Ohio, a daughter of Sebastian and Gertrude (Rohr) Kramer, natives of Germany. The four sons of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd are Otto, John, Robert and Buckner, all in the home circle. Mr. Floyd is a Presbyterian but attends the Episcopal Church at Ravenna. He is a member of the Loyal Order of Moose at Cuyahoga Falls, and while in South Carolina he held the office of school board member and commissioner of elections.

Harry Centennial Longcoy has for many years been a successful merchant at Kent, a hard working, intelligent business man, but at the same time interested in causes of public welfare.

He was born at Kent, in January, 1876, and his middle name was given him because he was born in a year that marked the centennial anniversary of American Independence. His parents were Frank and Ada (Wetmore) Longcoy, his father a native of Franklin Township, Portage County, and his mother

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of Stowe Township of Summit County. His grandparents, David and Abigail (Woodard) Longcoy, were natives respectively at New York State and Kentucky.

When Harry C. Longcoy was an infant his parents moved out to Iowa and settled on a farm at Carson, where he began his education in the district schools. In 1888 he returned to Kent, Ohio, and in 1894 graduated from the high school there. For one year he was a student in Hiram College, and taught for one year in Stowe Township of Summit County. Mr. Longcoy acquired his training as a merchant in the grocery and meat business at Kent, rising to the rank of partner in the business in the fall of 1902, and for many years has been sole proprieter of a flourishing meat and packing house business there.

In February, 1900, he married Miss Blanch Smith, a native of Randolph, Vermont, and daughter of Allison C. and Jessie (Holden) Smith. They have four children, Elno, Jessie, Mabel and Harry, all at home except Elno, who is the wife of Mark Dreese and lives at Akron. The family are members of the Congregational Church. Mr. Longcoy has served as a member of the Kent School Board, for ten years, votes as a republican, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Rotary Club and the Twin Lakes Golf Club.

Samuel Price, of Portage County, has had a long and active career in agriculture, and after retiring from the farm he moved to Ravenna, and has found profitable employment for his leisure time. Always a close and attentive observer, he has made one or two inventions that contribute to the commercial processes of rubber manufacture.

Mr. Price was born at Shalersville, Ohio, March 25, 1868, a son of Thomas and Betsie A. (Olin) Price. His grandparents, John and Betsie (Weels) Price, were early settlers in Portage County, in Franklin Township, where Thomas Price was born. John Price was a native of Wales, and his wife, of Summit County, Ohio. Betsie A. Olin was born at Perry, New York, February 16, 1831, daughter of Samuel and Betsie (Green) Olin. Her mother, who was born in 1797, died April 1, 1831. On January 16, 1832, Samuel Olin married Mercy Seymour, and on February 28, 1839, at Perry, New York, he loaded all his household goods in three wagons and drove overland to Streetsboro Township, Portage County. There he erected a brick house, and kept a tavern called Olin's Inn until his death on November 22, 1874. Samuel Olin was born at Shaftsbury, Vermont, in 1793, and was a son of Ezra Olin, Ezra Olin being a son of John, grandson of John, and great-grandson of John Olin. The last named John Olin was born at East Greenwich, Rhode Island, October 4, 1708.

Thomas Price and Betsie A. Olin were married December 15, 1851, at Ravenna, and then settled on a farm in Shalersville Township. The father died August 30, 1899, and the mother, December 29, 1901. Their children were: Henry, who died in infancy; Calvin, a resident of Mantua, Ohio; Emma S., wife of C. W. Bosworth, of Riverside, California; John, of Mantua; Samuel; and Clayton, who died at the age of four years.

Samuel Price was reared on a farm, was educated in the district schools, and as a young man he took charge of his father's farm to cultivate. When his father died he bought the interests of the other heirs in the old homestead of 234 acres, lying partly in Streetsboro and partly in Shalersville townships. On this property he continued his active operations as a farmer until 1911, when he moved into the City of Ravenna. At first he and his family lived in a rented home, and in 1913 he completed his attractive modern brick veneer residence at 340 North Prospect Street, where he lives today. Though a man of property, Mr. Price has the energetic disposition that does not permit a life of idleness. From the fall of 1911 to 1917 he was rural free delivery carrier on Route 5. Resigning, he went to work in the rubber factory, dipping rubber goods. After three months with the Ravenna Rubber Company he went with the White Rubber Company of Ravenna, remaining there thirteen months, and then did night work for the Oak River Company.

While in these factories he became interested in the experimental side and studied new processes that might be available in the business, and later he secured a patent for a ring rolling machine for toy balloons. For some months he devoted all his time to completing the details of his invention, and then sold the shop rights for its manufacture to the Western Reserve Rubber Company. In May, 1923, Mr. Price became night watchman of the Browning Foundry at Ravenna.

November 29, 1893, he married Miss Dora Cobb, of Streetsboro, Ohio, where she was born December 29, 1874, daughter of Roswell and Julia (Thompson) Cobb. Her father was born in Streetsboro Township in 1844, and her mother, in Hudson Township of Summit County, August 3, 1844. Her grandparents, Ariel and Emeline (Stone) Cobb, and Salmon and Abiah (Cook) Thompson, were all born in Connecticut, and all of them were among the first settlers of Hudson Ohio, where they located at the beginning of the last century.

Mr. and Mrs. Price are republicans in politics and both are members of the Grange and the Eastern Star. He is affiliated with Lodge No. 12, Free and Accepted Masons, and Tyrian Chapter No. 91, Royal Arch Mason, and is also a member of the Knights of Pythias. They have two daughters. Elsie, born March 27, 1895, is the wife of Russell B. Davis, of Ravenna, and has a son, Robert Edwin. Orsie, born July 5, 1897, married Raymond A. Hill, of Mantua, Ohio.

Hon. Clarence Murphy. Three terms judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Butler County, Clarence Murphy is one of the ablest jurists in Southern Ohio, and before going on the bench was rated as one of the ablest lawyers of Hamilton.

He was born in Butler County, September 13, 1862, son of Peter and Cyrena (Van Gordon) Murphy. His father was born in Butler County, in 1820, was a farmer, and a man of prominence not only in the rural localities but in public affairs. He was educated in a log school house, and began housekeeping in a log cabin on his father's farm. He was a merchant at Princeton in Butler County, was sheriff in 1851, and in 1886 moved to Hamilton, where he helped organize and became president of the Miami Valley National Bank. He held that office until his death in 1896. Prior to 1880 he was a director in the First National Bank of Hamilton. He was a democrat, and served two years in the State Senate. He was a director of the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, and held all the executive offices in the Butler County Board of Agriculture.

Judge Clarence Murphy, youngest of the six children of his parents, was reared on his father's stock farm, was educated in the public schools, and in 1886 graduated from De Pauw University, Greencastle, Indiana. He also graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, Ohio, and took his law diploma at the Cincinnati Law School in 1889. In the same year he returned to Hamilton, and since that date has been one of the prominent members of the Butler County bar. He is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, vice president and director of the Hamilton Dime Savings Bank Company, a director

of the Second National Bank of Hamilton, and a director and chairman of the executive committee of the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati.

In 1893 he was elected judge of the Probate Court of Butler County, and filled that important office six years. In 1906 he was elected judge of the Court of Common Pleas. In that year he was elected on the democratic ticket, but in 1912 and in 1918 he was reelected, both times on the non-partisan ticket. Judge Murphy has presided at many notable trials in Southern Ohio, the most celebrated being the trial of William H. Cowdrey for murder by poisoning. The decision he rendered as trial judge in this case was taken to the State Supreme Court and United States Supreme Court and was finally sustained. Judge Murphy during the World war conducted the first Young Men's Christian Association drive in Butler County. He also was chairman of the committee that carried on the fourth Liberty Loan and the Victory Loan campaigns, and was associated with all other war activities. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, a Mason, past chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias and past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Judge Murphy married Miss Lutie Sohngen, daughter of Louis and Eliza Sohngen of Hamilton. They have two daughters. Marian, born in 1897, finished her education in Fairmont Seminary at Washington, D. C., and is the wife of John K. Hilker, of Hamilton. Louise, born in 1901, was educated in the Miss Kendrick's private school at Cincinnati.

Chester David Marsh is an Ohio man who has made a success in the automobile business, and for a number of years has been a representative of the Chevrolet car in Portage County, his offices, sales room and garage being at Ravenna.

Mr. Marsh was born at Wheeling, West Virginia, April 18, 1882, son of David and Mary (Caldwell) Marsh. His father was born at Wheeling, and for many years was a farmer and huckster, his home being at Sherrard, West Virginia, north of Wheeling. He died in 1906. The mother, Mary Caldwell, was born in Greene County, Pennsylvania, daughter of Martin and Jane (Clendening) Caldwell, and a granddaughter of Zeke Caldwell, who was born in the United States of Scotch parentage. Mrs. Mary Marsh died in 1884.

Chester David Marsh was only two years old when his mother died. He grew up among relatives in West Virginia, had limited attendance at local schools, and when only eleven years of age he was put out to work on a farm for board and the privilege of attending school. His school days ended when he was seventeen years of age, and for two or three years he was switch tender at Benwood, West Virginia. At the age of twenty he became a street car conductor with the Wheeling Traction Company, and in 1908, removed to Akron, Ohio, as a motorman for the Ohio Traction Company.

Mr. Marsh began selling the Chevrolet cars at Akron in 1916, and his early success there caused his appointment on May 17, 1917, as distributor for the Chevrolet Automobile Company in Portage County. In addition to his other duties at Ravenna he conducted a general garage and repair business.

On April 2, 1902, Mr. Marsh married Miss Nina Woodburn, a native of Sherrard, West Virginia, and daughter of Alexander and Lydia (David) Woodburn. The seven children of Mr. and Mrs. Marsh are Holda, Gene, Thelma, Gladys, Ila Mae, Glenn and Bettie. Mrs. Marsh and the children are members of the Methodist Church. Mr. Marsh votes as an independent in politics, in Masonry he is a member of Akron Commandery, Knights Templar, is a member of the Lodge and Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is chairman of the Finance Committee of the Kiwanis Club, and a member of the Cleveland Automobile Club.

August S. Cole, judge of the Common Pleas Court of Portage County, has been a practicing attorney of the Ohio bar for over forty years. He is one of the senior members of the bar of Ravenna, and represents a pioneer family of Portage County.

Judge Cole's great-grandfather was a native of Vermont, and a soldier of the Revolution. The grandfather, Jedediah Cole, was born in Vermont, and as a young man came to the Western Reserve about 1817, clearing up a farm in the wilderness. After 1834 he lived at the old Noah homestead, where his wife was reared. Jedediah Cole married Elizabeth Noah, who was born in Westchester, Pennsylvania, daughter of John Noah, a native of Germany, and one of the pioneers of Portage County. Jedediah Cole and Elizabeth Noah were parents of four children.

The youngest of these was Jedediah Cole, Jr., who was born near Garrettsville, in Portage County, May 26, 1830. He was reared on a farm, attended the local schools, and by reading and study made himself efficient in law and surveying. He taught several terms of school at Salem, Illinois, and had among his pupils relatives of William J. Bryan. In 1856 he became a pioneer settler of Chickasaw County, in Northern Iowa, where he taught school and was editor of the first paper in the county and one of the early republican journals of the state. From Iowa he removed to Southwestern Wisconsin, and was a carpenter and builder there until 1862. In July of that year he enlisted in Company A of the Thirty-first Wisconsin Infantry, but on account of physical disability was assigned chiefly to clerical duties, and in the last months of the war he was captain of a regiment of colored troops. He was discharged in October, 1865, and then returned to Portage County, Ohio. In 1869 he was elected county surveyor, and held that office nearly forty years. Jedediah Cole, married, in 1855, Miss Catherine M. Dickens, whose father, Rev. James H. Dickens, gave half a century of his life to the ministry of the Methodist Church. His daughter was born and reared at Jacksonville, Illinois.

Augustus S. Cole, oldest child of Jedediah and Catherine (Dickens) Cole, was born October 6, 1859, while his parents were living in Chickasaw County, Iowa. A few years later the family home was established in Portage County, where he first attended school. He was educated at Garretsville, attended Oberlin College, and began the study of law in the office of W. W. Thomas at Ravenna. During 1882-83 he was in the Law School of the University of Michigan. Judge Cole was admitted to the Ohio bar November 8, 1882, and subsequently was admitted to practice in the United States District Court and Circuit Court of Appeals. He was associated in practice with Mr. Thomas until 1886, then practiced alone five years, and for four years was a member of the firm Cole & Doughitt. Then followed a period of thirteen years when he again handled an individual practice. In 1918 he was called from the busy duties of a private attorney by election as judge of the Common Pleas Court. He served a short time and in November, 1920, was reelected for the full term of six years. Another public service of Judge Cole was the ten years he devoted to his duties as mayor of Ravenna, from 1890 to 1899.

Judge Cole is affiliated with the Masonic Order, the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a republican and a member of the Portage County Bar Association. On November 27, 1884, he married Miss Jennie M. Allen, who died July

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20, 1908. His only son is Lee A. Cole, who on June 19, 1915, married Miss Lorena Reed, of Ravenna.

Byron Bailey is a florist, in business at Kent, and is a successful business man whose present position is the result of many years' experience and hard work.

He was born in New York City, October 18, 1868, son of Solomon and Hannah (Heath) Bailey, his father a native of England and his mother of New York State. Solomon Bailey followed several lines of business. Both he and his wife died in New York State.

Byron Bailey attended the public schools of Saratoga, New York, and when thirteen and a half years old he left home and went out to Omaha, Nebraska. There he earned his living tending lights for the railroad, and while there secured his first training in the floral business. He also spent some time at Kansas City, Missouri, and other places, and after three years in the West he came to Akron, Ohio, and later went to Attica, New York, working for florists. He was also in Buffalo, New York. After his marriage he engaged in farming and in other occupations for several years, and lived at Akron and later at Cleveland, where he worked in a fruit store and also in a drug store. About 1905 he came to Kent and made his modest start in the green house industry, and in the course of nearly twenty years earned a substantial position among Portage County's florists. He has about 2,800 feet under glass, and raises a general line of flowers. His establishment is at 1109 South Water Street.

At Akron, Ohio, November 20, 1887, Mr. Bailey married Miss Mary Quinn, a native of Canada, and daughter of William Quinn. Mr. Bailey is a republican in politics.

Edward Sawyer Parsons, lumber dealer and for over thirty-five years associated with the business affairs of Kent, represents a name that has been identified wth Portage County for nearly a hundred years.

The Parsons family came from Massachusetts. His great-grandparents were Moses and Esther (Kingsley) Parsons. Edward Parsons, founder of the family in Ohio, was born in Northampton, Massachusetts, March 14, 1797. He learned the trade of carpenter, and in 1830, after his marriage, came to Ohio and for a few months worked at Cleveland during the construction of the American House, one of the noted hotels of the time. The following year he bought a tract of timber land and settled with his family in Brimfield Township of Portage County. He was the second postmaster of Brimfield, and spent his last days at Kent, where he died in 1874, aged seventy-seven. He married Clementine Janes, who was born in Brimfield, Massachusetts, in 1802, and died April 14, 1892, at the age of ninety. They reared a family of three sons and three daughters.

The oldest son, Timothy G. Parsons, who died in Kent July 2, 1923, at the venerable age of ninety-one, was prominently identified with manufacturing and other business interests of Kent. He was born in Brimfield Township, September 17, 1832, was educated in district schools and academy, and at the age of eighteen became clerk in a store at Akron. He went to California in 1853, and was there seven years, most of the time engaged in mining. He returned to Ohio as he had gone out by the Isthmus route, and engaged in farming. On September 20, 1861, he left the farm to enlist in Company A. of the Forty second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and served until November 3, 1863, when he was discharged on account of physical disability. Later he was on dispatch duty as chief quartermaster of the Thirteenth Army Corps, and during the last months of the war was at Louisville. In 1866 he located at Kent, and took over the retail lumber business established by Porter Hall and his brother, Edward A. Parsons. He was a lumber dealer and manufacturer, and continued active in the business until he retired about 1908. He was a member of the school board and the city council, and in politics was a republican.

Timothy G. Parsons married Eleanor M. Sawyer in 1866. Her parents, Henry and Susan (Hall) Sawyer, were natives of Vermont and came to the Western Reserve in 1816. Mrs. Timothy G. Parsons died at the advanced age of eighty-four years. There were three sons in the family: Edward S.; John T., of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Dwight L., of Kent.

Edward Sawyer Parsons was born at Kent September 25, 1867. He graduated from the Kent High School in 1884, continued his education in the Western Reserve Academy two years, and then joined his father in the lumber business. His brothers came in later, and the combined resources of the family have set this enterprise going and maintaining a place as one of the largest and most successful of its kind in Northern Ohio. The business was organized as a stock company in 1917, with the late T. G. Parsons as president, John T. Parsons vice president, Edward S. Parsons, secretary; and D. L. Parsons, treasurer. Edward S. Parsons and his brother D. L. are the active men in the business today.

On February 12, 1891, Mr. Parsons married Miss Jennie B. Wolcott, who was born at Kent, daughter of S. P. and Mary (Brewster) Wolcott. Her parents were natives of Hudson, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Parsons have three children: Dorothy R., at home; Helen I., connected with the Health Department of the City of Canton; and Edward W., a student of the Western Reserve Medical College. Mrs. Parsons is a member of the Congregational Church. Mr. Parsons some years ago was mayor of Kent. He is a republican, is a Royal Arch Mason, and a member of the Rotary Club and the Silver Lake Country Club.

John Anderson McDowell, who is giving a most progressive and efficient administration in the office of superintendent of the public schools of the City of Ashland, has to his credit a record of long and effective service in the teaching profession. He also has to his credit two terms of service in Congress.

Mr. McDowell was born in Holmes County, Ohio, September 25, 1853, his parents having been born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, and having been children at the time of the removal of the respective families to Holmes County, Ohio, in the early '30s. The father of Professor McDowell was long numbered among the substantial farmers and stock-growers of Holmes County, was also a merchant for a number of years, as well as a buyer and shipper of live stock. Both he and his wife remained residents of Holmes County until their deaths.

John A. McDowell, after a course in the high school at Millersburg, attended the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, where he had the privilege of studying under the preceptorship of the late Prof. Alfred Holbrook, O. P. Kinsey and Warren Darst, who were long outstanding figures in Ohio educational circles. In 1887 Mr. McDowell was graduated from Mount Union College, at Alliance, Ohio, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy and later the degree of Master of Philosophy. June, 1924, Mr. McDowell received the honorary degree of Doctor of Pedagogy, conferred by Kent State Normal College. In the meantime he had served two years as principal of the high school at Millersburg, and for the ensuing seventeen years he served as superintendent of the public schools of that place, his administration having brought the schools up to a specially high standard in all departments.

The scholastic activities of Mr. McDowell had not entirely engrossed his time, for 1896 recorded his election to the United States Congress, as representative of the Seventeenth Congressional District of Ohio. As a member of Congress he continued his loyal and effective service from 1897 to 1901, and he was influential both in the deliberations on the floor of the House of Representatives and in the work of the various committees to which he was assigned, including those on education, the census (1900), and the committee on territories, which prepared the code of laws for the civil government of the territories of Hawaii and Alaska.

Meanwhile Mr. McDowell continued his educational work in summer schools and teachers' institutes. In 1908 he was elected superintendent of the Ashland city schools, and has continued at that post of duty for over sixteen years. He is a former president of the Northeastern Ohio Teachers' Association, and was a member of its Official Board during a period of five years, besides which he was for three years a member of the Executive Board of the Ohio State Teachers' Association, and for eleven years a member of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio State Normal School at Kent, Ohio, where he was for eight years secretary of the board, and three years president of the same. Mr. McDowell has been in the most significant sense an enthusiast in his profession, and his stewardship therein has been one of utmost loyalty. He has been an instructor in thirty-three summer normal schools has given many lectures before farmers' institutes, is a member of the National Educational Association, and is the author of a book on civil government of Ohio, as well as a text book on English grammar.

The Ashland High School is one of high standard and most effective service, its enrollment of students in 1923 being 570 and its average graduating class in late years having numbered fully 100 members. The total enrollment in the Ashland public schools is approximately 2,100, and the corps of teacher numbers eighty-one.

Mr. McDowell married Miss Esther Hole, of Mahoning County, she, like himself, being a graduate of Mount Union College. Of their eight sons and four daughters, three sons and two daughters are deceased. The son, Clyde S. McDowell, was graduated from the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, as a member of the class of 1904, at the age of nineteen years, and he has since continued in active service in the United States Navy, in which he has won the rank of commander. He won the naval Cross of Honor for his distinguished service in the World war, and received the degree of Doctor of Science from the University of Wisconsin, in recognition for his important work in electrical research. In the publication entitled "Our World" appears an interesting article written by him and entitled "Dogs of War in Time of Peace." Wayne A. McDowell, the youngest son, was graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1920, and has since continued in active service in the navy. John A. McDowell, Junior, next to the youngest son, likewise represented the family in the nation's service in the World war, he having been in the artillery arm of the service and being now in the regular Army, stationed at Honolulu, H. T. The subject of this review takes pride in the fact that he has thirteen grandchildren.

MAXWELL GRAHAM GARRISON, who was educated for the law and practiced a few years at Kent, has for over forty years been prominently identified with banking in that city, and is now president of The City Bank.

He was born in Franklin Township, Portage County, April 12, 1851, son of James and Hannah (Walker) Garrison. The Garrisons are an old English family, and on coming to this country settled near Monmouth, New Jersey, and later lived in Pennsylvania. At the time of the Revolution they were tories. Joseph Garrison, grandfather of the Kent banker, came from Pennsylvania to Portage County, Ohio, in 1818, and cleared and developed a farm in Deerfield Township. His son James Garrison, was born in Pennsylvania in 1814, and from the age of four years was reared in Portage County. His wife, Hannah Walker, was born in Stowe Township, Summit County, Ohio, daughter of William and Rachael (Stewart) Walker and of Scotch-Irish ancestry. The Walker family came from Virginia to Portage County about 1818, and acquired land from the Connecticut Land Company. James Garrison after his marriage moved to Franklin Township, Portage County, and was engaged in farming there until his death in 1872. His widow survived him and died at Kent in 1906, at the venerable age of ninety-one. They were members of the Christian Church, and in politics James Garrison was a democrat. Their children were: William, who died while a Union soldier, in 1863; Charles, who became a veterinary surgeon and died in Kent in 1913; Anne, who died at Akron in 1921, wife of William J. Grubb; Frances, of Kent, widow of H. D. Minnick; Maxwell G.; and Edward F., who was a physician, and died in Portage County in 1881.

Maxwell Graham Garrison had the farm in Franklin Township as his boyhood environment. He attended the district schools and then entered Hiram College, where he remained a student until the death of his father in 1872. For a year or so he helped operate the home farm, and on July 19, 1873, he married Miss Sarah L. Peck, who was born in Streetsboro Township of Portage County, daughter of Rufus H. and Sarah (Lappin) Peck. Her parents were also natives of Portage County. Her grandfather, Lyman Peck, was born in Connecticut, and her maternal grandparents, Robert and Elizabeth (Stewart) Lappin, were natives of Stowe Township, Summit County, Ohio.

After his marriage Mr. Garrison took up the study of law with D. L. Rockwell at Kent, and in 1876 was admitted to the bar. He engaged in regular practice at Kent, and continued until 1881. In that year, associated with D. L. Rockwell, James France and other Kent people he helped organize The City Bank. D. L. Rockwell became its president, J. N. Stratton, vice president, and Mr. Garrison, cashier. Mr. Garrison continued his duties as cashier, and much of the time as chief executive officer, for over thirty years. In 1900 the bank was incorporated under a state charter, and the present officers are: Mr. Garrison, president; D. L. Rockwell, Jr., vice president; E. F. Garrison, cashier; and H. H. Line, chairman of the board. This bank has a capital of $125,000, and its deposits aggregate more than $1,000,000. Mr. Garrison has also been identified with other business organizations in Kent. He became president of the Seneca Chair Company, operating factories at Kent and Mansfield, Ohio. He was one of the principal stockholders in the Kent Machine Company, and president of that industry, and was one of the officials of the Portage Savings and Loan Company of Ravenna.

A brief record of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Garrison is as follows: Ruth, wife of Harry Callahan, living near Georgetown, Delaware; Bessie, who died in 1912, wife of J. F. Reed; Charles E., of Flint, Michigan; Guy J., who was a railroad man, and died in 1921, at the age of thirty-nine; and Iliffe W., a locomotive engineer with the Pittsburgh & West Virginia Railroad, living at Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Garrison was for several terms township treasurer, also city treasurer of Kent, and served two terms, four years, as county treasurer of Portage County, 1894-1898. He is a republican in politics,

has been a vestryman for many years in the Episcopal Church, and is a Royal Arch Mason and Odd Fellow. He is at present a member and chairman of the Sinking Fund Commission of Kent.

Ralph C. Knisely is a graduate pharmacist, and for the past seven years has been proprietor of a high class drug business located at 113 East Main Street in Ravenna.

He is a native of Ohio and was born at New Philadelphia, this state, January 28, 1885, son of Henry and Emma (Coppage) Knisely. His father was also born at New Philadelphia, while his mother was born near Gilmore in Tuscarawas County, Ohio. Henry Knisely was a carpenter by trade, and since 1899 has been janitor of the East School Building at New Philadelphia. The mother passed away in October, 1922.

Ralph C. Knisely was educated in the grammar and high schools of New Philadelphia, and then entered the University of Pittsburgh, where he graduated in the pharmacy course in 1908. Following that he gained experience and some capital clerking and acting as pharmacist at Pittsburg, New Philadelphia and East Liverpool, Ohio. In September, 1917, he bought the business of W. T. McConey, who had died in 1916, and has since conducted this drug store in Ravenna, and has made it a thoroughly high class establishment.

On September 25, 1912, Mr. Knisely married Miss Ruth Hubbard, who was born at Olmsted Falls, Ohio, daughter of Atton and Hattie (Stanton) Hubbard. Her father was born at Utica, New York, and her mother, in England. Mr. and Mrs. Knisely have one son Atton W., who was born September 16, 1914, and is attending the public schools at Ravenna, and a daughter, Ruth Elizabeth, born December 4, 1923.

At Ravenna Mr. Knisely has identified himself in a public spirited manner with the progress of the community. He is one of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in 1919 was elected to the city school board. In January, 1921, he was chosen president of the board and was reelected in January 1923. He was a member of the Building Committee which erected the handsome new high school building at a cost of $420,000. Mr. Knisely is a republican, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland, and he and Mrs. Knisely are members of the Eastern Star and the White Shrine at Akron. He is also affiliated with the Knigths of Pythias, with the Lodge and Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Kiwanis Club.

Charles Zimmer Aughenbaugh. One of the important local industries of Ravenna in Portage County is Johnson and Company, of which Charles Z. Aughenbaugh is half owner and active manager. Mr. Aughenbaugh's father was for many years identified with this business, and Charles Z. returned to his native town to assist in the management after he had reached a creditable position in educational circles.

He was born at Ravenna, October 22, 1875, son of George Zimmer and Alice L. (Stilson) Aughenbaugh. His father was a native of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and his mother of Rootstown in Portage County. George Z. Aughenbaugh was a glass worker, also a carpenter by trade, and for several years was foreman of the Diamond Glass Factory at Ravenna. He died September 22, 1922, and his wife, in 1881. The maternal grandparents of Charles Z. Aughenbaugh were Charles Morton and Lucy Ann (Bow) Stilson, natives of Litchfield, Connecticut. Charles M. Stilson was a boy when his father settled at Poland in Mahoning County, Ohio, and subsequently removed to Rootstown.

Charles Z. Aughenbaugh was educated in the grammar and high schools of Ravenna, and in 1898 graduated from Oberlin College. After graduating he went to Illinois as teacher in the Todd Seminary for Boys at Woodstock, and at the end of the year was promoted to head master of that preparatory school. He remained there engaged in his congenial duties as an educator until 1917, when he resigned and returned to Ravenna to assist his father in the management of the Johnson Paper Box Company.

At that time his father was half owner of the company. This little industry had been started in 1884 as a small shop to manufacture cigar boxes. It was started not so much as a business venture as an occupation and diversion for Mrs. Emily Johnson, whose son had recently died and who to forget this desolating loss, which threatened to unbalance her intellect, started making boxes. George Aughenbaugh assisted her as a workman, then as foreman, and by his energy in making the business a success, he was in five years' time given an equal interest in the industry. He and Mrs. Johnson continued the business together until 1907, when her son Loren acquired a third interest, and the factory was greatly enlarged, and a new department added for the manufacture of tubular paper boxes, and this has since become the leading feature of the business. Loren Johnson died in 1911 and his mother in 1913. His interests passed to his wife, Jennie B. Johnson, who for some years had been principal of the Brownell public schools in Cleveland. When the founder died in 1913, third interest was equally divided between George Aughenbaugh and Jennie B. Johnson. On January 1, 1919, George Aughenbaugh and his son, Charles Z., acquired the interest of Jennie B. Johnson, and thus the business came entirely under the ownership and control of the Aughenbaugh family. At the death of George Aughenbaugh, Mr. Charles Aughenbaugh became half owner and manages the entire business, the other half interest being vested in his father's estate. The business is now conducted in a modern and sanitary factory, a five-story brick building 60x72 feet, with half an acre of floor space. There are about fifty employes, sixty per cent of them girls.

On December 21, 1899, at Woodstock, Illinois, Mr. Aughenbaugh married Miss Martha Richards, who was born at Arcola, Illinois, daughter of Jacob W. and Martha O'Harra (Crippen) Richards, her father a new Englander by birth, while her mother was born at Rochester, New York. Mrs. Aughenbaugh was educated in the grammar and high schools at Arcola, Illinois. They have one child, Karl Hill Aughenbaugh, born at Chicago, March 12, 1903. Mr. Aughenbaugh is a trustee of the Congregational Church. Since returning to Ravenna he has served one term as councilman from the Second Ward, and is now president of the board of health. He casts his vote with the republican party in national elections, but is independent locally. He is a Mason and a member of the scholarship honorary fraternity Phi Beta Kappa. He also belongs to the Twin Lakes Golf Club.

Hon. Arthur L. Green. The career of Hon. Arthur L. Green has never lacked that variety which keeps life from being one long round of monotonous service to a single line of endeavor. From the time that he entered life on his own account he has followed a number of vocations, in all of which he has found profit and contentment, and in one, at least, the elements of danger and excitement. At present he is the incumbent of the office of justice of the

peace of Dayton, although his home is at Ebenezer, two miles north of the city, on the new Troy Pike, and he is accounted one of the best law enforcement officials in Montgomery County.

Justice Green was born June 20, 1882, at Dayton, and is a son of Lewis W. and Emma Green, the latter of whom is deceased. Lewis W. Green has been a merchant at Dayton for many years and is now the owner of a prosperous grocery business. Arthur L. Green secured the advantages of a public school education, and was still a youth when he obtained his first business experience in his father's grocery store. He remained with the elder man for three years, and then branched out on his own account and for eight years was employed in the more or less hazardous occupation of stone quarryman at Centerville, Ohio. The lure of the life of the "fire laddies" then attracted him, and he joined the Dayton Fire Department, with which he was connected until 1910, when, while fighting a conflagration, he met with serious injuries which incapacitated him for a time and led to his resignation from the department. When he had accomplished a recovery Justice Green engaged in the wholesale cheese business for several years, and then disposed of his interests and engaged in farming in Montgomery County. In this field of activity he made a success, accumulating a well-cultivated and valuable property, and in 1921 retired somewhat from active pursuits and moved to Ebenezer, two miles north of Dayton, on the new Troy Pike, where he is the owner of his own home, together with a small piece of land. Mr. Green became well and favorably known to the people of his new community, and in 1923 he was elected justice of the peace, a position which he has since retained, and in which he has maintained dignity while carrying out the duties of his office. His impartiality, integrity, fidelity and courage have made him known as one of the best law enforcement officers in Montgomery County, where he is feared by the law violators and respected and esteemed by the law-abiding element. Justice Green is a republican in his political views, and holds membership in the Masons and the Commercial Travelers, in both of which he is popular. He has contributed his abilities and means to worthy movements and is accounted a public-spirited and constructive citizen.

On October 23, 1917, Justice Green was united in marriage with Miss Grace Moore, of Sidney, Ohio, a graduate nurse of Memorial Hospital, Piqua, Ohio, and a daughter of Dr. Charles and Elizabeth Moore. They are the parents of one child, James Arthur, aged two and one-half years. The family belongs to the Methodist Church.

Will W. Hester had the ambition and resourcefulness that enabled him to gain through his own efforts his higher academic and also his professional education, and the same forces came into effective play when he initiated the practical work of the vocation for which he had fitted himself. He is now numbered among the able and successful members of the bar of the City of Cincinnati, and here his law business is of substantial and representative order, the while it has involved his appearance in many litigations in the County, State and Federal courts of this section of Ohio.

Mr. Hester was born at Starke, Starke County, Indiana, September 23, 1864, and is one of the four surviving members of a family of eight children, four sons and four daughters. The parents are now deceased, and the father, Evan Hester, gave the major part of his active life to the basic industry of farming.

The public schools afforded Will W. Hester his early education, which was further advanced by his attending Lebanon University, from which he received the degrees of both Bachelor and Master of Arts. Thereafter, with characteristic zeal and receptiveness, he applied himself to the study of law. In due course he was admitted to the Ohio bar, at Columbus, and thereafter he was engaged in the practice of his profession at Blanchester, Ohio, until he found a broader stage of activity by establishing his residence in Cincinnati. Here his success in the practice of law has been of unequivocal order and stands in distinct evidence of his ability and his faithful professional stewardship. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and he holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Anthony W. Abele, postmaster of the city of Ironton, one of the founders and for a quarter of a century, treasurer of one of Ohio's most successful building and loan associations, has earned the distinction so frequently accorded him as having been one of the citizen's responsible for the growth and progress of his home city.

Mr. Abele began work in the coal mine at the age of eleven years, and has been responsible for every progressive step in his destiny. He was born at old Lagrange Furnace near Ironton, March 24, 1868. His parents, Joseph J. and Frances F. (Zahner) Abele, were natives of Alsace-Lorraine, France, and both were children when their respective families came to the United States. Joseph J. Abele was a coal miner by vocation. and was employed by such men as James Hudson, E. B. Willard and James Bull. He sustained a broken back in the mines in 1871. He was a man of industry and sterling character, and he and his wife were communicants of the Catholic Church.

Anthony W. Abele had very limited educational opportunities when a boy. At the age of eleven he began assisting his father, who was almost disabled on account of his accident. He worked in the Belfont Coal mine near the Ironton tunnel when S. G. Gilfillan was paymaster. He fired the first flue ever placed in a coal mine in this section. For some time he walked three and a half miles between home and the mine where he was employed. During the spring of 1883, when the mines were shut down on account of high water, he attended school at Lagrange with John G. Lane and A. R. Johnson as teachers. Several years later, in 1890, he attended a school at Coryville, getting four months of instruction from A. D. Bruce. But for the most part his education has come from experience, observation and private study, and from limited opportunities he has achieved a success such as many men with college degrees never attained.

In 1890 Mr. Abele went to Palestine, Texas, and spent three years in that state, employed as a locomotive fireman, and became a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, still holding a card in that organization. After his return to Ohio he was in the retail shoe business at Ironton in partnership with N. J. Riter for two years. He then took up the baking business, a line he followed until 1898.

Mr. Abele from 1898 to 1903 was assistant postmaster of Ironton, holding that office during the administration of Presidents McKinley and Roosevelt. He subsequently engaged in the real estate and insurance business. It was in 1900 that he assisted in the organization of the Aetna Building & Loan Association, was elected its treasurer and has been reelected to that office ever since. The association has the unusual record of having had only one foreclosure since it was founded. In business and public affairs Mr. Abele has won the unqualified popular confidence and esteem that place him among the city's real leaders. He has been and is prominent in republican party campaigns. He had a personal

friendship with Col. Theodore Roosevelt, forming his acquaintance in 1902 at Nashville, Tennessee, when he assisted in initiating Colonel Roosevelt into the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, the colonel having been made an honorary member. Mr. Abele was one of the parties who accompanied President Roosevelt on one of his tours over the United States. He figured as a principal witness in the case brought by Colonel Roosevelt against the editor of a paper at Negaunee, Michigan, and tried before Judge Richard Flanigan at Marquette, Michigan, as a result of which Colonel Roosevelt won vindication against the slanderous reports that had been in circulation concerning him for several years.

Mr. Abele in 1907 was appointed a member of the Lawrence County Board of Review, being the only republican on the board. In 1914 he was appointed and rendered important service as director of public service at Ironton under Mayor A. J. Hannon. He was appointed in 1920 deputy state supervisor of elections by the secretary of state. He has many times been named as guardian, administrator and receiver of estates. Mr. Abele on December 6, 1921, was appointed postmaster by the late President Harding. It is acceded that he has made the best postmaster Ironton has ever had. No employe of the office gives more time to his duties than the postmaster himself, whose working day begins at 5 o'clock in the morning and ends at 9 o'clock in the evening. Since 1922 he has been secretary of the Ironton Automobile Club, and he is a director of the First National Bank of Ironton and is now secretary and vice president of the Ohio Postmasters' Association.

Mr. Abele married, May 30, 1892, at Ironton, Miss Sarah F. Howell, daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth Howell. Her father was a prosperous farmer of Lawrence County. Mrs. Abele was well educated, was a teacher in the public schools for five years before her marriage, and was a woman justly loved in her home and her wide social circle. She was a worker in the Baptist Church and a teacher in the Sunday School, and a member of the Eastern Star. Her death occurred in Christ Hospital at Cincinnati, July 4, 1921.

Lester J. Abele, only child of the postmaster of Ironton, is now a successful young attorney at Cleveland, and has just been nominated by the republican party as a member of the House of Representatives. He married Miss Ruth Bloss, who was a domestic science teacher in the public schools of Cleveland. They have a son, Lester J. Jr., and a daughter, Ruth Ann. Lester J. Abele is a veteran of the World war. Before the war he was second lieutenant of Company I, Seventh Infantry Regiment, Ohio National Guard. With that organization he was mustered into the national army in October, 1917, being assigned to the 148th Infantry at Camp Sheridan, Alabama. He was commissioned second lieutenant and later promoted to first lieutenant. After nine months of training at Camp Sheridan his command was sent to Camp Lee, Virginia, a month later to Camp Stuart, and on June 23, 1918, sailed from Newport News for France, reaching Brest July 3d. After three weeks the regiment entered the service in the first sector trenches, at the front, was for seven weeks in the Baccarat sector in Alsace-Lorraine, and then engaged in the great Argonne campaign. Lieutenant Abele was in that battle four consecutive days, on September 30, 1918, being wounded by shrapnel and severely gassed. After that he was in the hospital until January 3, 1919, when he rejoined his regiment and for two months was at the Belgium seaport of Thoire, two months at Brest, and on May 28, 1919, arrived at Hoboken, New Jersey. His regiment participated in military parades in the cities of Columbus and Dayton, and at Camp Sherman Lieutenant Abele received his honorable discharge June 7, 1919.

James H. Ford is now the responsible head and proprietor of the Ford Seed Company of Ravenna. This is a business established by his father, and through the cooperation of father and son and later under Mr. James H. Ford himself has become one of the important seed industries in Ohio.

Mr. Ford was born in Ravenna, April 30, 1864, son of Frank and Mary (Torry) Ford. His parents were both born in Massachusetts. His paternal grandfather, James Ford, spent all his life in Massachusetts. The maternal grandparents, Ripley and Lucy Torry, came to Ravenna as early settlers. Frank Ford when about twenty-two years of age, having been born in 1832, came to Ravenna, where he opened and conducted the first photographic studio in the town. He was the photographer at Ravenna during the Civil war period, and many old photographs representing people of that period and still carefully preserved were made by him.

In 1870, giving up the photographic business, he bought a tract of twenty-four acres North of Ravenna and began growing vegetables and fruit and raising poultry. In this business, with its subsequent development, he continued until his death in April, 1897. His widow passed away in April, 1907, just ten years later.

James H. Ford while a boy attended district schools and also the public schools at Ravenna. He graduated from high school in 1880, and then went to work with his father. His experience covers every phase of the growing of small fruit, vegetables, seeds, and the propagation of trees and shrubs. In the course of years there came a demand for their pure bred seeds of vegetables, flowers and field. When Mr. Ford took over the business after the death of his father he continued the specialization of the enterprise, and has developed a general Seed and Nursery business, devoted to the growing and distribution of all kinds of ornamental plants and shrubs, and he specializes in the production of pure bred field, garden and flower seeds. The Ford Seed Company now has a large plant, and during the busy season of the year Mr. Ford employs from ten to twelve men and from twelve to fifteen women in carrying on the business, which extends all over the United States and foreign countries.

On November 4, 1885, Mr. Ford married Miss Edie Simons, who was born at Berrien Springs, Michigan, daughter of Gipson and Jane W. (Olmstead) Simons. Her parents were born in Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Ford are active members of the First Christian Church, and he is an elder and clerk of the church board. He is a republican, a Mason and a member of the Kiwanis Club. He has long been prominent in the Patrons of Husbandry, serving as master of the Ravenna Grange, and also as secretary, and has been deputy state master of Portage County.

Paul A. Young, county agriculture agent of Gallia County and a graduate of the State School of Agriculture, is a young man well trained in the technical and practical details of farming and animal husbandry.

Mr. Young was born at Granger, Medina County, Ohio, February 10, 1899. His parents, Ernest J. and Delia I. (Blakesley) Young still live at their country home in Medina County, their respective parents being John and Ella J. (Baker) Young, and Cass and Margaret (Perriman) Blakesley. The Young family came from Pennsylvania to Ohio about 1803. Ernest J. Young is a farmer and interested in the local problems of his community. He is a member of

the school board, township trustee, and a man of very valuable influence in his locality. He and his wife have two children, Paul A, and Fay. Paul A. Young was educated in the grammar and high schools at Granger, spending one year in the municipal university at Akron, and then entered Ohio State University of Columbus, where he was graduated in the agricultural course in June, 1923. For a time he was at Portsmouth, associated with County Agent Gahm of Scioto County, but on June 23, 1923, was appointed county agent of Gallia County. He is well informed, highly educated and possesses not only knowledge, but that degree of tact necessary for successful work as a county agricultural agent. During the World war he was a member of the Students' Army Training Corps at Akron.

Mr. Young married, October 14, 1922, at Columbus, Helen A. Finks, daughter of John and Clara (Acker) Finks, who are Ohio farmers. Mrs. Young is the oldest of four children, the others being John, Junior, Charles and Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Young are members of the Methodist Church. He is a Mason, a member of the Delta Theta Sigma, Miltary Order of Scabbard and Blade, the Townshend Agricultural Society, the Young Men's Christian Association, the Saddle and Sirloin Club, and the County Grange.

Charles Leslie Willyard. An Ohio man who has been the maker of his own destiny since boyhood and has reached a sucessful position in busines affairs is Charles Leslie Willyard of Ravenna. Mr. Willyard for over twenty years has been in the retail ice business, and he has developed a service to supply the City of Ravenna with this important commodity. He was born at Ravenna, April 4, 1870, son of Aaron T. and Mary (Byers) Willyard. His father was also a native of Ravenna, while his mother was born in Mahoning County, Ohio. His paternal grandparents were John and Lydia (Myers) Willyard, and the maternal grandparents were Frederick and Anna (Reichard) Byers, natives of Pennsylvania. All of them were early settlers in Ohio.

Aaron T. Willyard and wife lived on a farm in the southeast corner of Ravenna Township. When Charles L. was four years of age his parents separated and when he was six years old his mother died. After that he grew up with his grandmother Byers on a farm just south of Ravenna, and in that vicinity he secured his common school education. His working experience was on the farm until he was twenty-five, when he became an employe in a tile and brick factory. A year and a half later, on October 21, 1897, Mr. Willyard married Miss Della Siddle, who was born in Atwater Township of Portage County, daughter of Keller and Lydia (Randall) Siddle.

After his marriage Mr. Willyard continued working in the brick yard for another eighteen months, and he also did farming. It was in 1900 that he engaged in the retail ice business, supplying to domestic trade at Ravenna and with source of supply in ice houses on Mizzy Lake. He has kept up with the service at a high standard of efficiency ever since. In 1919 he bought the retail business of the Crystal Lake Ice Company, and he now handles both natural and artificial ice.

To supplement his ice business, which reaches its peak in summer season, Mr. Willyard in 1918 began handling Pocahontas Coal for customers in Ravenna. He now operates an all year around service, employing an equipment of two wagons and two trucks for ice and coal delivery.

On March 16, 1899, was born Warner Leslie Willyard, the older of the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Willyard. Warner L. graduated June 21, 1921, with the Bachelor of Science degree, from Akron University, having distinguished himself as an athlete while in college, and he has since married Alta Bradford, and they have one daughter, Barbara Ann. The second son is Eldred Graydon, who was born December 9, 1902, and is a student in Akron University. Mr. Willyard is a member of the official board and a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church. For seven years he was a member of the School Board of Ravenna Township. In politics he is an independent democrat, and has held chairs in the lodge of Odd Fellows, is a member of the Encampment, and he and his wife are Rebekahs.

Edward O. Trescott, superintendent of schools of Ravenna, an office he has held for eighteen years, is a native Ohioan, and all his years since he graduated from college have been devoted to educational work.

He was born at Marlboro, in Stark County, April 12, 1870, son of Samuel Butler and Elizabeth (Crawford) Trescott. His paternal grandfather was Clark Trescott, and his maternal grandparents were John and Catherine Crawford. The Trescotts were of old Connecticut and New England stock and pioneers in Ohio, while the Crawfords came from Pennsylvania. Samuel Butler Trescott lived for several years in Alliance, Ohio, later at Marlboro, and was a traveling salesman.

Edward O. Trescott attended public schools at Marlboro, the Randolph High School, and graduated in 1891 from Hiram College. He has been a teacher or school administrator now for a third of a century. For two years he taught at St. Lawrence, South Dakota. Returning to Ohio, he was principal of the high school in Kent for two years, for ten years was superintendent of schools of Columbiana County, and in 1906 entered upon his duties as school superintendent at Ravenna. He has given Ravenna an enviable reputation among Ohio cities for the excellence of its public school system. Just recently Ravenna completed a beautiful modern high school with twenty-eight rooms.

In December, 1903, Mr. Trescott married Miss Frances Boerstler, a native of Lancaster, Ohio, and daughter of Charles and Sarah (Beery) Boerstler. Mrs. Trescott died in July, 1908 the mother of three children: Samuel B., who is principal of the high school at Madison, Ohio; Marion, a high school teacher at Springfield, Ohio; and Charles Edward, at home. In August, 1915, Mr. Trescott married Miss Margaret Long, who was born at Loudonville, Ohio, daughter of Simon Peter and Alice (Marion) Long, her father a native of Loudonville and her mother, of Columbus, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Trescott have one daughter, Josephine Ruth. They are members of the First Christian Church, of which he is an elder. Mr. Trescott is a republican, and in Masonry, is affiliated with the Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council, Knight Templar Commandery and Consistory, thirty-second degree, and has held all the offices in the lodge and chapter. He is a trustee of the Kiwanis Club, is a member of the Northeast Ohio and Ohio State Teachers' Association and the National Educational Association. He is president of the Ravenna City Examining Board.

Otto H. Riethman, who for a number of years was known in Ravenna business circles as a painting contractor, is now proprietor of a coal and concrete block establishment, and is still numbered among the progressive and enterprising business men of that Portage County community.

He was born at Ravenna, October 22, 1877, son of John and Sophia (Steinhouser) Riethman. His father was born in Switzerland, and after coming to this country married, at Philadelphia, Sophia (Steinhouser) Hosler, the widow of John Hosler and

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the mother of seven children, two of whom are still living. She was born in Germany. Soon after his marriage John Riethman moved to Ravenna, Ohio. He was gifted with skill in several lines, and for a time he followed the profession of photography and was also a farmer. He died in October, 1897, and his wife, in January, 1897. To their marriage were born two children: Matilda, of Ravenna, widow of Harry Jory, and Otto H.

Otto H. Riethman had a public school education through only the early years of his boyhood. He was earning his own living at farm work when twelve years old, and at the age of fourteen he began an apprenticeship in the paint department of the Merts & Riddle Coach & Hearse Company. He was with that firm continuously for twelve and one half years, and then engaged in business for himself as a house painter, and after three years took up contracting, in 1906. As a paint contractor he did an extensive business in Ravenna and surrounding towns until 1921. In that year he engaged in the coal business, handling soft coal, and in the spring of 1923 he added to his enterprise by the purchase of the J. A. Bennett Concrete Works. He has a plant making concrete blocks and other building material of concrete. His business office is opposite the Erie Railroad Station.

Mr. Riethman in 1904 married Susie Smith, of Ravenna, daughter of John and Maggie Smith. By this marriage there is one daughter, Inez. In May, 1913, Mr. Riethman married Bessie Skilton, a native of Ravenna, and daughter of Elijah and Isabell Skilton. Mr. and Mrs. Riethman have four children, named, Isabell, John, Bernice and Clarence. The family are members of the Disciples Church, and he is a republican and a member of the Knights of Pythias.

JOHN LEIDIGH WALTER, highway engineer for Portage County and also county surveyor, was born in Northern Ohio, and since leaving school his experience and work have been in the engineering profession, and he has gained a well deserved reputation in that field.

He was born in Marlborough Township of Stark County, Ohio, March 10, 1883, son of Byron and Etha (Housley) Walter, also natives of Stark County, his father born near North Canton and his mother in Lake Township. His paternal grandparents, Samuel and Sophia (Holl) Walter, were born in Plain Township of Stark County. The maternal grandparents were also natives of the same county. Byron Walter married in Plain Township of Stark County. He had been a teacher, but after his marriage he farmed a place inherited by his wife. They now live at North Springfield in Akron.

John L. Walter began his education in the schools of Marlboro, attending there for two terms, and was then in the grade schools of Canton. In June, 1899, he graduated from the high school at Greentown, Ohio. For three years he worked at Canton in the office of County Surveyor J. H. Holl, and with this practical training he entered the Ohio Northern University, taking the course of civil engineering. In the spring of 1904 Mr. Walter joined the engineering department of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad on construction work, and was in that service four years. In the spring of 1908 he went to Wichita Falls, Texas, and became assistant city engineer in that rapidly growing city of North Texas. He left his work there and returned home on a vacation in July, 1909, and soon afterward accepted the offer to become assistant to the county surveyor of Portage County at Ravenna. His engineering work has since been confined to Portage County. In April, 1912, he was appointed resident engineer for Portage County under the Ohio State Highway Department, and has been the technical man on all work under the direction of this state department carried out in Portage County. On January 1, 1914, he was appointed county surveyor, and has held that office continuously since then by reelection.

On September 16, 1909, Mr. Walter married Miss Gertrude Akers, who was born at East Akron, daughter of Henry and Ada (Jones) Akers. Her father was born in England and her mother in old Middlesburg, now a portion of the City of Akron. Mr. and Mrs. Walter had two children, William Harwood, born October 8, 1913, and George Akers, born April 17, 1916. Mr. and Mrs. Walter are members of the Congregational Church. He is a republican. He is a member Unity Lodge No. 12, Free and Accepted Masons, at Ravenna, is a Royal Arch and Knights Templar Mason, and a member of Al Koran Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Cleveland, also a member Yusef Khan Grotto of Akron. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias and a member of the Ohio Engineering Society.

EDWIN W. BROUSE was born at Akron, June 2, 1879, son of Cornelius A. and Catherine (Wesener) Brouse. Graduating from high school in 1896, he attended Oberlin College, completing his literary education there in 1901 with the Bachelor of Arts degree. He then went to New York City and completed his law course in the Columbus University School of Law, graduating with the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1905.

He was admitted to the New York bar in February, 1905, to the Ohio bar in June, 1905, and subsequently was admitted to practice in the Federal Courts, before which he has had much important business. For seven years he was associated in practice with Edward H. Boylan, under the firm name of Boylan & Brouse, then practiced alone for a time, and since January, 1919, has been a member of the firm Commins, Brouse, Englebeck and McDowell, with offices in the Central Savings and Trust Building.

Mr. Brouse is a director in the Central Savings and Trust Company, is president of the Permanent Savings and Loan Company, and has various other business interests. In the early part of the World war he served as chairman of the legal advisory board for Summit County, District No. 1, and in 1918, became a private in the Forty-fourth Training Battery of Field Artillery at the Central Officers Training School at Camp Zachary Taylor, Kentucky. He received his honorable discharge in December, 1918. Mr. Brouse is a member of the Summit County, Ohio State and American Bar associations, belongs to the City and University Clubs, is a Mason, and a life member of the Ohio State Archæological and Historical Society.

He married, October 4, 1909, Miss Helen E. Fouts. She was born at McConnelsville, Ohio. They have two children, Robert C. and Mary Adelaide.

CLAYTON GEORGE HARTLERODE, present county clerk of Portage County, has enjoyed a place of favorable business and social prominence in his home town of Ravenna and other Ohio cities, as well known in musical circles.

He was born at Ravenna, December 13, 1892, son of George F. and Ida M. (Pohlson) Hartlerode. His father was born at Ravenna, Ohio, son of Lawrence and Elizabeth (Faise) Hartlerode. Mr. Hartlerode's mother was born at Malmo, Sweden, and her parents, Peter and Christina Pohlson, came to this country during the seventies, locating in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he followed his trade as a glass worker and subsequently removing to Ravenna. George F. Hartlerode for many years has

born one of the substantial citizens of Ravenna, a mechanical engineer who for his father before him was an engineer on the Erie Railroad.

Captain George Hardenbrook is the elder of two children. His sister Ruth, widow of Russell E. Dunlap, is now teaching school in the public schools of Ravenna. Charles C. Hardenbrook graduated from the Ravenna High School in 1913, and after a business college course at Akron, was employed as a bookkeeper by the Cleveland branch office of the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company. Five months later he was transferred to the home offices in Akron, and after he had been there eight months he returned to Ravenna and became an employe of the board of county commissioners. On August 1, 1919, he was made clerk of Portage County and has been re-elected for a second term.

Mr. Hardenbrook, who by inheritance is a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church. He is past vice president of the Portage County branch of the American Federation of Musicians and has served as vice president of the Kent Joint Musicians Union and is a member of the Akron Musicians Club. Mr. Hardenbrook has a good general musical education, and for a number of years has been an expert marksman, and as such is a member of the Akron Rifle Club. He is affiliated with Twin Lodge No. 12, Free and Accepted Masons, Portage Chapter No. 61, Royal Arch Masons, Akron Council No. 80, Royal and Select Masters, Akron Commandery No. 23, Knights Templar and Al Koran Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Cleveland and the Youel Khan Grotto at Akron. He is also affiliated with Ravenna Lodge No. 1074 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he was secretary five years, and the Loyal Order of Moose No. 1264. Politically he is a republican, and is a member of the Portage County State and Home Commission.

Hon. Warren J. Robison represents some of the old pioneer stock of Portage County, and his career as member of the Legislature and present mayor of Ravenna has gained for him a position of very favorable esteem. His only son, Robert J. Robison, is the present judge of the Probate Court of Portage County.

Warren J. Robison was born in Palmyra Township of Portage County, October 27, 1871, son of John and Ellen (Beebe) Robison, his mother also a native of Palmyra Township, while his father was born in Mahoning County. The paternal grandparents were William and Amanda (Day) Robison, natives of Connecticut. The maternal grandfather, Lemuel Beebe, came to Portage County from the New England States about 1800 and settled in Palmyra Township. William Bacon, a great-grandfather of Warren J. Robison in the maternal line, arrived in Palmyra Township in the year 1800. John Robison after his marriage settled on a farm in Palmyra Township, and in addition to farming was associated with his brothers in the stone contracting business. For the last three years of his life he was supervisor of building during the construction of the Mahoning County Courthouse.

Warren J. Robison spent his boyhood days at the old homestead, attended the schools in Mantua Center, and had one term in Wooster University. At the age of seventeen he began teaching. He taught for several years in district schools and for three years was superintendent of the public schools at Mantua. Mr. Robison was appointed county recorder, February 4, 1913, to fill out the unexpired term caused by the resignation of Andrew Austin. He moved to Ravenna to serve in this capacity for several months. For a number of years he has been in the insurance business as general agent for the Ohio Mutual Life Insurance Company of Columbus.

Mr. Robison was a member of the Eighty-second Session of the Ohio State Legislature in 1917-18. In 1921 he was elected mayor of Ravenna, and began his term of office January 1, 1922. He is a member of the Masonic Order, has filled the chairs in the Knights of Pythias Lodge, has belonged to the Moose, and Brownlee and Philosophy Order of Elks, and is a Democrat in politics. He is clerk of the board of trustees of the Congregational Church.

On October 1, 1902, Warren J. Robison married Nelly Davis, who was born in Palmyra Township, a daughter of Henry and Margaret (Williams) Davis, natives of the same township, where her great-grandparents, David and Jane (Jones) Davis, were pioneers of Wales.

Henry John Robison, only son of Warren J. Robison and wife, was born in Palmyra Township, September 27, 1903. He graduated from the Ravenna High School in 1921, and commenced his advanced work in the State Normal College at Kent. He holds a commercial and high school certificate as a teacher, and in 1923 was graduated Bachelor of Science in physical education. During the war period he was employed in the steel department of the Ravenna Arsenal, and on March 1, 1918, received honorable mention of the Ordnance Department. He performed his duties of that office until April 1, 1922, when Governor Donahey appointed him probate judge, and he has given a full accounting account of himself in that responsible capacity, being one of the youngest probate judges in the state.

On September 11, 1923, Judge Robison married Miss Vernon A. Wiley, a native of Cleveland, Ohio, and daughter of Sherman and Catherine (Williams) Wiley. Judge and Mrs. Robison are members of the First Congregational Church. He is a Democrat, a Master past councilor of the Knights of Pythias and junior grand chancellor of Portage County during the time of D. Henry Sell. He also belongs to Lodge No. 1074, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Chamber of Commerce at Ravenna.

Dr. Hudson Zinkhan, M. D. One of the best equipped physicians and surgeons in Portage County is Dr. Paul Hudson Zinkhan, of Ravenna. His professional training and experience have been of an unusual character, and he was a medical officer in the various allied armies nearly the entire period of the World war.

Doctor Zinkhan was born at Baltimore, Maryland, in February, 1886, son of Louis F. and Ella B. (Bisbing) Zinkhan. His mother represents one of the oldest pioneer families of the Western Reserve of Ohio. She was born at Charlestown, in Portage County, daughter of Wilbur and Mary (Baker) Bisbing, natives of Pennsylvania, Portage County, and granddaughter of Daniel Bisbing. Daniel Bisbing was a native of Connecticut, and became a member of the Connecticut Land Company that founded the colonies in the Western Reserve of Ohio. He himself came to Ohio at an early time in the settlement and acquired a section of land in Portage County. His son Charles was the first white child born in Portage County.

Louis F. Zinkhan, was born at Baltimore, Maryland, and he and Miss Bisbing were both of them university students at Oberlin College. He became a minister in the Reformed Church. He was married at Cincinnati, Ohio, and after about four years at church work in Ohio he returned to Maryland and had charge of the various departments of his church. In 1914 with family moved to Washington, District of Columbia, where he is now living retired. His wife passed away in February, 1923.

Edward A. Whitney

Paul Hudson Zinkhan was educated in the grammar and high schools of Baltimore, attended Johns Hopkins University and Georgetown University, and graduated in medicine in 1912. For two years he was a member of the medical staff of the Washington Asylum Hospital at Washington, D. C.

In August, 1914, a few weeks after the great war broke out, he joined the American Red Cross and went direct to Russia. After a year of service with the Russian Red Cross he was given commission as a medical officer in the Russian Army. Six months later he secured his discharge and returned to the United States by way of Siberia, China and Japan. He remained at Washington for a time and in March, 1917, joined the Twentieth Division of the British Expeditionary Forces. As a medical officer with that division he was in the service in Flanders and on the Somme. After ten months he secured his transfer to the American Expeditionary Forces, and was stationed at Bordeaux until April, 1918, when he returned home to Washington.

Doctor Zinkhan in September, 1918, came to Ravenna and opened his office. In instruments and other equipment he has one of the best furnished professional offices in Portage County. He enjoys an extensive private practice, and is an active member of the Portage County and Ohio State Medical societies and the American Medical Association.

Doctor Zinkhan is a member of the Reformed Church, is a republican, and is affiliated with Ravenna Lodge No. 1076, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He also belongs to the Twin Lakes Golf Club.

William Jones Thomas, M. D. A physician and surgeon whose education and qualifications for his profession have been tested by many years of successful practice in Northern Ohio is Dr. William Jones Thomas of Ravenna.

Doctor Thomas was born at Swansea, South Wales, in April, 1870, son of C. J. and Elizabeth (Woodliffe) Thomas. His father was also a physician, and spent his active life practicing in Wales. His mother is still living in Wales, at the advanced age of eighty-four.

William Jones Thomas acquired his early education in his native country, and in 1895, after his marriage, came to America. At Cleveland he entered the medical department of Western Reserve University, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1898. Doctor Thomas for three years practiced at Youngstown, Ohio. He then returned to Wales, and for one year pursued post-graduate work in London Hospital. On returning to this country he practiced two years at Alliance, Ohio, and then had a busy and successful career as a physician in the community of Palmyra, Portage County, where he remained fourteen years. Since 1917 his home has been at Ravenna.

In South Wales in 1895 Doctor Thomas married Miss Sarah Agnes Morgan, a native of Wales. She died in October, 1914, the mother of three children: Carl, of Cleveland; Catherine, who died when nineteen years old; and Francis, at home. In October, 1916, Doctor Thomas married Miss Jessie Wilson, who was born in Paris Township of Portage County, daughter of Wallace and Margaret (Davis) Wilson. Her father was born at Palmyra, Ohio, and her mother in Wales. By his second marriage Doctor Thomas has one son, Bruce.

From 1918 to 1922 Doctor Thomas held the position of county physician and county coroner of Portage County. He is a member of the Portage County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, is a republican, and a member of the Congregational Church.

Capt. Edward O. Whitney is a veteran mariner who for fifteen years has been superintendent of the Ashtabula Dock Company of Ashtabula Harbor. His name is associated with an important record as a good citizen of Ashtabula as well.

Captain Whitney represents an old family of seafaring people. He was born at Henderson in Jefferson County, New York, December 27, 1872. His mother's maiden name was Florence White, and it is on this side of the house that his seafaring ancestors are found. Both her grandfathers were identified with the Great Lakes, and one of them, John Warner, was one of the early captains of sailing vessels on Lake Erie. Her paternal grandfather, James White, was one of the participants in the great naval battle on Lake Erie under Commodore Perry during the War of 1812.

In the paternal line Captain Whitney is of English ancestry, the Whitneys having been established in Massachusetts in Colonial times. His grandfather, Truman O. Whitney, was a lifelong resident of Henderson, New York, owned and operated a large farm, and for several terms served as collector of revenue under the United States Government and was supervisor of the Town of Henderson. He married Martha P. Wood, a native of Ellisburg, New York, who died at Henderson. Myron J. Whitney, father of Capt. Edward O., was also a lifelong resident of Henderson, New York, where he was born in 1842 and died in 1906. He carried on his interest as a farmer with a progressive degree of success, and was a man of influence in his community. He was a republican in politics, and in 1862 he became a Union soldier in Company K of the Twenty-fourth New York Infantry. During the remainder of the war he participated in many battles, including Antietam and Fredericksburg, and in one battle was severely wounded. His rank was that of corporal. Myron J. Whitney married Florence White, who was born at Henderson, December 28, 1852, and still lives in that New York village. She was the mother of three children: Capt. Edward O.; Myron Lee, a merchant at Henderson; and Ethel; living with her mother, widow of Capt. Ralph Gleason, who was a Great Lakes captain.

Edward O. Whitney spent his boyhood days at Henderson, attending the public schools there and the high school at Watertown, the county seat of Jefferson County. When he was seventeen he became a deck hand on a lake freighter. The same season he was promoted to lookout, and the next year sailed as wheelsman. In the fall of 1892, before he was twenty years of age, he was given the duties of second mate without papers, and the following winter received his papers. In the winter of 1893 he was granted papers as first mate, and sailed in that capacity, beginning in 1894, until 1900. In 1900 he was promoted to captain, and his first command was the steamer Mesaba and the barge Madeira. In the spring of 1901 he became captain of the steamer E. B. Bartlett, in 1902 was captain of Henry Cort, after the strike of 1903 was made captain of the steamer W. H. Gilbert, and in 1904 was captain of the John Ericsson, a command he held until October, 1905, when he was transferred to the steamer Samuel F. B. Morse, which he sailed until 1908. All these boats belong to the Pittsburgh Steamship Company. In the fall of 1908 Captain Whitney was transferred to the steamer Thomas F. Lynch, but made only one trip on that boat.

In the spring of 1909 he came to Ashtabula, and since May 1 of that year has held the office and responsibilities of superintendent of the Ashtabula Dock Company. His office is in the New York

Central Building on Columbus Street, Ashtabula Harbor.

Always efficient and capable in his business duties, Captain Whitney has interested himself in causes and movements that express his good citizenship. He was the first president of the Exchange Club of Ashtabula, he is one of the juror commissioners of Ashtabula County, he is a member of the city council of Ashtabula, and is chairman of the Ashtabula City Republican Committee, a post he has held for four years, and is also a member of the county executive committee. He is president of the Ashtabula County Health League, which maintains at Camp Whitney a fresh air camp, named in his honor, on the shore of Lake Erie. This camp is conducted throughout the summer months. Captain Whitney is a director of the Ashtabula Chamber of Commerce, and is a prominent Mason, being affiliated with Bay View Lodge No. 905, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Henderson, New York; Adams Chapter No. 205, Royal Arch Masons, at Adams, New York; Conneaut Council No. 40, Royal and Select Masters, at Conneaut, Ohio; Columbian Commandery No. 52, Knights Templar, at Ashtabula, of which he is past eminent commander; Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite at Cleveland, and also Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine and Al Sirat Grotto at Cleveland. He is a member of Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He has been created at Haji at Mecca Temple in New York City. He is also a member of the Ashtabula Country Club. During the World war he was associated with the work of the Federal department of Justice, having supervision of the work done by the American Protective League in Northeastern Ohio. Captain Whitney owns a fine home at 95 Walnut Street, Ashtabula, located on the shore of Lake Erie, in front of which is one of the finest bathing beaches along the lake shore.

At his home town of Henderson, New York, Captain Whitney married, on January 22, 1897, Miss Bertha Howard, a daughter of Capt. Clarence and Clara (Vorce) Howard, now deceased. Her father was also identified with the transportation interests of the Great Lakes, being captain of the large lake tug Thomas Wilson on Lake Ontario. Captain and Mrs. Whitney are the parents of four children: Zelma H., who married Ralph H. Duff, clerk for the Paine-Ford Hardware Company, and their home is at 21 Orchard Avenue, Ashtabula; Howard, a graduate of the Ashtabula Harbor High School, an electrician by trade, living at home; Zaida E., who graduated from the Ashtabula Harbor High School in 1922, and during the following year took special courses in high school; and Harry Payne, attending the grammar school.

C. Augustus Moore, M. D. The dean of the medical fraternity in Southeastern Ohio is Dr. Clark Augustus Moore of Cambridge. His first training in medical practice was gained while in the medical department of the Union Army in the Civil war. Soon after the war he engaged in practice, and is still active, though confining himself entirely to office consultation. He is one of the very few members of the profession in the State of Ohio whose work covers a period of practically sixty years.

Doctor Moore was born on a farm in Knox Township of Guernsey County, August 15, 1840, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Scott) Moore, both natives of Pennsylvania. His father died in 1843, and his mother at the age of seventy-nine. Samuel Moore was a carpenter by trade, and also followed farming in Guernsey County.

Three years old when his father died, Clark A. Moore grew up in a rural district of Guernsey County, with limited advantages in the country schools of that day, but early formed an ambition that urged him to strenuous efforts to attain the goal of a professional career. For a number of years of his youth he followed farming in order to attend school. Early in the Civil war he spent a year as second lieutenant of Company A, Seventy-eighth Ohio Volunteers, and was then transferred to the Seventy-fourth Ohio Regiment as assistant surgeon, with the rank of first lieutenant in the medical corps. After leaving the army he resumed his studies, and on February 28, 1865, was graduated Doctor of Medicine from Starling Medical College, which in later years has become the medical department of Ohio State University. Doctor Moore for sixteen years carried on a busy country practice at Batesville in Noble County, and since 1882 has lived at Cambridge. For several years he carried on a drug business in conjunction with his practice. In the course of many years he has attended over 2,000 obstetrical cases, and for over twenty years has been local surgeon for the Baltimore & Ohio Railway. He has been president of the Guernsey County Medical Society, and is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations. During the World war he was a member of the Volunteer Medical Corps, serving in the United States National Council of Defense and as medical member of the Local Draft Board.

From the beginning of his practice until he was nearly ready to retire Doctor Moore used horses, riding or driving them on his rounds, and in the heavy work involved he wore out a number of fine horses. He has been a great lover of the horse all these years, but since the advent of the automobile he has become an enthusiastic motorist. He is a republican, and a member of the First United Presbyterian Church at Cambridge. Doctor Moore is not only well read in his profession, a man of deep experience in his work, but has accumulated a broad knowledge, through books and travel, of other interests, and is one of the most gifted talkers in his community. He has long been active in the various branches of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, being past noble grand of Cambridge Lodge No. 308, and a member of Cambridge Encampment No. 150, and Canton No. 96.

Doctor Moore married at Zanesville, Ohio, in 1865, Miss Ruth Fordyce. She died some years ago, leaving four children. Maude N., the oldest, is the widow of Ambrose Beard, of Cambridge, and her two sons, George and Clark Beard, are now business men at Detroit, Michigan. The only son of Doctor Moore, Frank Moore, is a Pennsylvania Railway employe at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Ella B. is the wife of I. W. LaChat, an instructor in the Cambridge High School. Blanche E. is the wife of William Bryant, of Canton, Ohio, and they have three children, James, Ruth and Clark Bryant.

Ohio Wesleyan University is one of the oldest denominational colleges in the Middle West. From the time of its founding, eighty years ago, it has been one of the best schools for the training of men and women with a broad and liberal culture permeated with Christian ideals. In fact, till within recent years, when the state universities and heavily endowed institutions of learning have come to dominate the field of education in specialized opportunities for training, Ohio Wesleyan held a front rank among American colleges and universities. It is a school rich in the traditions of service, and none is represented by a finer body of graduates who have perpetuated the influences that moulded their minds and character at Delaware.

Ohio Wesleyan became a coeducational school in

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1877 by incorporating Ohio Wesleyan Female College in the university. It was founded by and has always been conducted under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It is not sectarian, yet has stood with fidelity to its original purpose of an educational program based on Christian ideals.

One of the pioneers of Delaware County was Judge Powell, who in 1833 built the Mansion House with a view to making a resort for tourists who might come to Delaware because of the famous White Sulphur Springs. After a few years Judge Powell abandoned this project, and in 1841 offered the house and the five acres of surrounding ground, including the springs, for sale. That this beautiful tract was made available as the original campus of Ohio Wesleyan University was largely due to the foresight of Rev. Adam Poe, pastor of the Methodist Church of Delaware at that time.

In 1821 the Ohio Conference and the Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Church had established at Augusta, Kentucky, the first Methodist School in the world vested with collegiate functions. For years this was the only Methodist College maintained by the church. Its faculty contained some able scholars, but the location proved almost inaccessible, and after twenty years the enterprise was abandoned. The failure of Augusta College aroused much solicitude on the part of Methodist leaders as to the educational future of the Ohio Church. In September, 1840, Dr. Edward Thomson, principal of Norwalk Seminary, called attention in a report to the North Ohio Conference that there was no Methodist College in the state.

In recognizing a need and planning and executing means of supplying it, there was no Ohio clergyman at that time more resourceful than Rev. Adam Poe of Delaware. His thought on the subject coincided with the offer of Judge Powell, and at his suggestion the Mansion House and springs property were offered to the Ohio and North Ohio Conference jointly as a site for a Methodist College. The North Ohio Conference, August 11, 1841, gave favorable consideration to the project. It appointed a committee of five, which with a similar committee from the Ohio Conference held a meeting August 25, 1841, at Urbana. The next day Drs. C. Elliott, J. M. Trimble and W. P. Strickland were sent by the conference to examine the property. They reported favorably as to the house and grounds and also as to the plan for establishing a Methodist College in Ohio by joint action of the two conferences. A joint committee from these conferences met at Delaware, September 1, 1841, and on November 17, 1841, the conference committee received from Judge Powell a bond for the conveyance of the property donated by the citizens of Delaware. This title was perfected in 1850 to the board of trustees.

Thus the Ohio Wesleyan University was founded at Delaware in 1842. The two men given chief credit for it were Rev. Adam Poe and Rev. Joseph M. Trimble.

In 1841 Delaware was a village of 900 inhabitants. Columbus and Cleveland each had about six thousand. No railroad reached Delaware, passage of communication between that point and Columbus being by triweekly stage, and a whole day was required to make such a trip. The State Legislature on March 7, 1842, gave a special charter conferring university powers. This charter was evidently drafted by Doctor Trimble. Reverend Poe and W. S. Morrow were appointed a committee to employ teachers and open a preparatory school. This school was opened in the Mansion House, and for the first year the teachers were Capt. James D. Cobb, a graduate of West Point, and son. On October 1, 1842, Rev. Edward Thomson was elected the first president of the university and Rev. Solomon Howard employed as principal. On the first day only four boys were enrolled, but before the end of the year the university had 130 students.

Such was the beginning of an educational institution that in later years came to rank as one of the best colleges and universities in the country. The successive presidents of Ohio Wesleyan University have been: Edward Thomson, 1842-60; Frederick Merrick, 1860-73; Prof. L. D. McCabe, acting president, 1873-76; Charles Henry Payne, 1876-88; James Whitford Bashford, 1889-1905, leaving the university to become a bishop of the Methodist Church; Herbert Welch, 1905-16, and John Washington Hoffman since 1916.

Jacob Julius Dauch. The City of Sandusky owes much to her far-sighted business men, and to few more than to the late Jacob Julius Dauch, president of the Hinde-Dauch Paper Company, to whose quick perception, inventive genius and scientific knowledge may be attributed the founding of the great straw paper manufacturing industry.

Jacob Julius Dauch was born at Sandusky, Ohio, July 2, 1857, and met his death in an automobile accident on August 15, 1918. His parents were Philip and Mary Elnora (Klotz) Dauch, both of whom were born in Germany and came to the United States in 1847, settling at Sandusky, Ohio, where Philip Dauch survived until 1906.

The late Jacob Dauch had excellent educational advantages in the Sandusky schools and early showed an aptitude for business. It was while he was interested in the thrashing business and later in baling straw that the idea first came to him of making some substantial use of the waste straw, and from this the idea that straw could be utilized in the manufacture of paper was finally evolved. To Mr. Dauch undoubtedly belongs the credit. After considerable experimenting the manufacture of straw paper was begun as a business in 1888, under the firm name of the Harvey-Hinde Company, Mr. Dauch being a silent partner. Other firms went into the business, and after the purchase of the Sandusky Paper Company by the Columbia Straw Paper Company the original firm found itself in financial difficulties and reorganization came about.

In 1890 the Hinde-Dauch Paper Company was formed, with an operating capital of $300,000, and in 1910 Jacob Julius Dauch was elected president of this corporation, and so continued until his death. By 1916 the capital of the company had been increased to $5,000,000, a marked tribute to the business leadership and careful, conservative policy of Mr. Dauch. The company at present has operating factories at Sandusky, Delphos and Cleveland, Ohio; Muncie, Indiana; Gloucester, New Jersey; Watertown, New York, and Toronto, Canada. The company does an enormous business in the manufacture of corrugated paper specialties. The main offices of the company have always been maintained at Sandusky.

Mr. Dauch married, February 17, 1880, Miss Mary M. Wendt, born at Vermilion, Erie County, Ohio, daughter of Henry and Martha (Stang) Wendt, natives of Germany. Mr. Wendt was a carpenter by trade, but resided on a farm. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Dauch: Eleanor, who is the wife of Sidney Frohman, of Sandusky; Leola E., who is the widow of Hiram Benhke, of Parkerstown, Ohio; Henry P., who met death in a railroad accident when aged twenty-one years; Aletha M., who is the wife of Lawrence Hertlein, of Sandusky; and Wade W., who is in college. Mrs. Dauch still occupies her handsome residence on Wayne Avenue.

Mr. Dauch was considered a very able business man, and recognition of his sound judgment and business astuteness was shown by his election to membership on the executive committee of the Ohio Manufacturers Association. In political life he was a republican. He was an active member of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, and belonged to the Sunyendeand and the Plum Brook Country clubs.

William Garfield Hormell for thirty years has held the chair of physics in Ohio Wesleyan University, and has been Dean of Men of the university since 1909. He is one of the recognized science teachers in Ohio, and has exerted a fine influence over the student body of the university, every successive generation of students having given unmistakable evidences of their esteem for his wise counsel and guidance.

Doctor Hormell, son of Milton John and Emeline (Hisey) Hormell, was born at Oakland, Clinton County, Ohio, July 19, 1861. His mother's people came from old Virginia to Ohio. The Hormells came to Ohio from Brownsville, Pennsylvania. Professor Hormell's great-grandfather, together with brothers and cousins, served as a soldier in the Revolutionary war. The parents of Doctor Hormell were both born in Ohio. His father was a Union soldier, serving as surgeon in the One Hundred and Forty-ninth Ohio Infantry. He had been a physician at Harveysburg, Ohio, and in 1858 moved from that place to Oakland. He was a member of the Baptist Church and was a Mason.

William G. Hormell attended a country school, spent one year in the Lebanon Ohio Normal, finished his preparatory work at Delaware, and then enrolled in Ohio Wesleyan University. From his Alma Mater he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1889, the Bachelor of Science degree in 1890, and the Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1895. For the two years following his graduation he was an instructor at the university. He then spent two years in graduate work at Harvard University, where he received the Master of Arts degree in 1892. While at Harvard he was an assistant in physics. He has held the chair of professor of physics at Ohio Wesleyan University since 1893. In 1900 he was granted a year's leave of absence, which he spent in special graduate work at Harvard. He was made Dean of Men of the college in 1909, and has since carried part duties of his professorship in addition to those of an administrative officer.

During the World war Doctor Hormell was chairman of the Students Army Training Corps Committee of the university. He has interested himself in the civic life of Delaware and business affairs; he was one of the organizers of the Delaware Springs Sanitarium, and is its treasurer; and he has been active in the Citizens Telephone Company, of which he is a director and vice president. Doctor Hormell is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and of the social fraternity Delta Tau Delta; and in politics he is a republican.

July 31, 1894, at Delaware, he married Anne Johnston Buzzard, daughter of Martin M. and Elizabeth Anne (Johnston) Buzzard. Her father was an infantry soldier in the Civil war, and subsequently was in the dry goods business at Mansfield, Ohio, where he died in 1884. Her mother is now (1924) ninety years of age. Doctor and Mrs. Hormell have one daughter, Elizabeth, who graduated from Ohio Wesleyan in June, 1923.

Henry C. Long is a business man and citizen well known at Ravenna and over Portage County. In former years he was in the livery business, and, recognizing the inevitable predominance of the automobile, he changed from a livery to an automobile service, and from the standpoint of years of service is one of the oldest automobile dealers in Northern Ohio.

He was born January 1, 1871, in Carroll County, Ohio, where the Longs are a numerous and long established family. His parents were John and Malinda (Miller) Long, both natives of Carroll County. Henry C. Long was reared on an Ohio farm, was educated in the district schools, and in the fall of 1894, as a young man of twenty-three, he married Miss Cora A. Harsh. She was born in Carroll County, daughter of Hinkman and Annis (McGonigal) Harsh. Her father was a native of Carroll County, Ohio, and her mother was born in Pennsylvania.

After his marriage Mr. Long engaged in farming for two years and then went to Canton, Ohio, where he was in the grocery business for twelve years, and, selling out, he devoted his attention to real estate for three years. Then followed a period of two years when he was on the road as a traveling salesman.

In the fall of 1910 he bought a horse livery at Ravenna, and continued the business until 1916, when he converted it into an automobile livery, and under the new order of things kept the business growing successfully until August, 1921, when he sold out. Then for a time he was again in the grocery business at Canton, but in the spring of 1923 reestablished himself as an automobile dealer at Ravenna, where he is representative for the Reo and Nash automobiles. He also conducts a garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Long have one son, Berdell H. They are members of the Methodist Church, in politics he is a republican, and he is affiliated with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Knights of Pythias.

Glenn Hixson Woodmansee has been for a number of years an active executive in the Inskeep Manufacturing Company at Washington Court House. He was one of a group of men interested as stockholders, but his first important connection with the business was as a traveling salesman, and his genius in salesmanship has been largely responsible for the growth and upbuilding of an industry that is now represented with several factories and with distributing agencies over most of the country. This business is devoted to the manufacture of mittens and work gloves.

Mr. Woodmansee was born in Highland, Ohio, March, 24, 1882. His father, Frank S. Woodmansee, died at Highland in 1923, at the age of sixty-six, and his mother, Rebecca Hixson, born in 1860, is still living at Highland.

Glenn Hixson Woodmansee was educated in grammar and high schools at Highland, and from 1901 to 1903 was a teacher. For two years he had valuable experience in the McCormick Harvester Company, beginning as bookkeeper in the Cincinnati offices. From there he was sent to Charlotte, North Carolina, to assist in the settlement of yearly accounts. Following the consolidation of the various interests represented in the International Harvester Company he was transferred to the Richmond, Indiana, offices as assistant cashier, remaining there for fifteen months. It had been his ambition to complete a college course, but lack of funds had made it necessary for him to get into some profitable work. He learned the art of making medallion portraits, and sold them by canvassing from house to house, in that way securing the capital to put him through Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, where he graduated in 1909. At the university he was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

On July 1, 1909, Mr. Woodmansee came to Washington Court House and secured an interest in the Inskeep Manufacturing Company, going on the road

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as salesman. He and his associates had just acquired the business, retaining the old name, but at that time the company had no large accounts and Mr. Woodmansee while on the road proved his ability as a salesman in building up a steady patronage for the output of the plant. He has the qualifications of a natural salesman. The goods of this company are now distributed all over the United States, and are manufactured in Washington Court House, Columbus, Marion, Springfield, Ohio. Mr. Woodmansee is also a stockholder in the Baker Lumber Company of Washington Court House.

He married, October 20, 1909, Miss Lucile Angeline Sanders, who was born at Leesburg, Ohio, October 26, 1885, and was educated in the public schools there and in 1904 finished a course in the Phelps Private School at Columbus. She is a member of the Mother's Circle, Eastern Star Chapter and the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Woodmansee have two children: Roma Angeline, in the fourth grade of the public schools, and Edmond Sanders, born in 1922. Mr. Woodmansee in Masonry is affiliated with the Royal Arch and Knight Templar Commandery, and is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Anglers Club and the Washington Country Club.

Henry Lycurgus Wells, M. D. Through his individual practice and as secretary of the Ohio Homeopathic Medical Society, Doctor Wells, of Cambridge, has almost a state wide reputation, though all his practice has been centered at Cambridge except while he was a medical officer during the World war. Doctor Wells was founder and is the owner of Wells Hospital, one of the finest private hospitals in the state. He was born at Newark, Ohio, December 3, 1878. The family was identified with the pioneer history of the eastern part of Ohio, and his grandfather, Henry Wells, was in the steel and foundry business at Martins Ferry in Belmont County. The late Dr. Levi Clemens Wells was the pioneer homeopathic physician of Guernsey County. He was born at Bridgeport, in Belmont County, February 26, 1847, and during his early years was identified with his father's foundry business at Martins Ferry. In 1876 he entered medical college, graduated from the Hahnemann Medical College of Chicago, and in 1878 engaged in practice at Newark, but in 1879 moved to Cambridge. For about forty years he was engaged in his professional work in Guernsey County, doing a general practice in medicine and surgery, though in later years he specialized largely in children's diseases. His wonderful success in that field proceeded in part from his deep love for children. He was a member of the Ohio State Homeopathic Medical Society and the American Institute of Homeopathy, was a charter member of St. Clairsville Royal Arch Chapter in Masonry, and at all times interested in good causes effecting the welfare of his home community. Dr. Levi C. Wells, who died March 11, 1923, married Mary A. Morrison, who was born on a farm in Belmont County, and now lives at Cambridge at the age of seventy-six years. She was the mother of ten children.

Fifth in the family, Dr. Henry Lycurgus Wells has lived at Cambridge since early infancy. He attended public schools there, finished a course in the Spencerian Business College at Louisville, Kentucky, and for three years was an employe of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company at Louisville. He then entered the Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1905. In college he was a Phi Alpha Gamma. After one year as a resident house physician in the City Hospital of Cleveland, Doctor Wells returned to Cambridge, and for a time specialized in eye, ear, nose and throat work, but the scope of his practice subsequently broadened to a general medical and surgical practice.

He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps during the World war, and on July 12, 1918, was called to active duty at Camp Greenleaf. Subsequently he was transferred to Camp Dix, New Jersey, where he was in the field service, medical department, depot brigade, until honorably discharged April 11, 1919.

In 1921 he built the Wells Hospital, which was opened in March, 1922. This is a beautiful hospital building both architecturally and in interior arrangement and equipment, and is located on Tenth Street. It contains twenty-five rooms, and there is no hospital in the state with more complete equipment and facilities for general medical, surgical and obstetrical cases. While Doctor Wells is the owner and operator of the hospital and does practically all his professional work there, he has conducted it on broad and liberal principles, and its facilities are available to all reputable physicians in the county.

Doctor Wells was elected secretary of the Ohio State Homeopathic Medical Society in 1923. He is also a member of the American Institute of Homeopathy, and is vice commander of Post No. 84 of the American Legion. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Men's Bible Class, the Cambridge Rotary Club, and in Masonry is affiliated with Symbolic Lodge, other bodies in the York and Scottish Rite, Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine, and is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Doctor Wells married at Martins Ferry, Ohio, Miss Bessie C. Pickens, daughter of the late William Pickens, a Belmont County farmer. She takes an active part in the Presbyterian Church and the social and club life of Cambridge. The two children of Doctor and Mrs. Wells are Paul Levi and Arthur Henry.

Charles H. Kernan, the popular superintendent of the National Orphans Home maintained by the Junior Order of United American Mechanics at Tiffin, Seneca County, claims the old Empire State of the Union as the place of his nativity, his birth having occurred at Nassau, New York, on the 3d of February, 1867. He is a son of Dennis and Mary (Layden) Kernan, and he was but four years of age when both of his parents met their death in a railway accident. He was then placed in the Protestant orphanage in the city of Albany, New York, and after remaining about five years he ran away from the institution and found employment on a farm near his birthplace. His ambition to obtain an education was one not to be thwarted in its purpose, and he depended upon his own resources in providing means to complete a course in Amsterdam Academy, besides which he thereafter continued his studies in the New York State Normal School at Potsdam until his graduation from the institution. Thereafter he was for ten years principal of the public schools at Orient, Long Island, and in 1901 he assumed his present office, that of superintendent of the National Orphans Home of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. His administration has been most loyal and efficient, and his deep and abiding sympathy for the young wards of the institution is quickened by his memory of his own early experiences as an orphan child. His sympathy is not a matter of mere sentiment but finds expression in practical helpfulness. He has studied child life earnestly, and in his official capacity he gives himself resourcefully to the developing of the mental and physical powers of the little ones under his humanitarian and fraternal supervision. As may be naturally inferred, Mr. Kernan is an appreciative and valued member of the Junior Order of United Amer-

ican Mechanics, in which he has held official positions and been otherwise influential aside from his splendid work as head of the well ordered national orphanage maintained by this fraternity. He is a republican in political adherency, is a communicant and member of the vestry of Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church in his home city of Tiffin, and in the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine of Zenobia Temple at Toledo. In the York Rite of Masonry he is a past master of Tiffin Lodge No. 77, Free and Accepted Masons, and is affiliated with Seneca Chapter No. 42, Royal Arch Masons, Clinton Council No. 49, Royal and Select Masters; and De Molay Commandery No. 9, Knights Templar. Mr. Kernan was especially active in furthering the various patriotic measures in Seneca County during the period of American participation in the World war, and he was chairman of the county committee that had charge of the Seneca County drive in support of the final government war loan.

The first marriage of Mr. Kernan was with Miss Mary E. Baum, of Potsdam, New York, and her death occurred in 1905. Of the four children of this union it is to be recorded that Miss Ruth is the wife of Henry Kerschner, of Tiffin, Ohio; Allen, a graduate of Dartmouth College, is principal of one of the public schools of Tiffin; Dorothy, a graduate of St. Mary's School (Episcopal) in the State of Maryland, holds a position in the office of the National Machinery Company at Tiffin; and Esther, a graduate trained nurse, is following her profession in the City of Cincinnati. For his second wife Mr. Kernan wedded Miss Louise Bowland, of Maryland, and she died in 1919, leaving no children. The maiden name of the present wife of Mr. Kernan was Eleanor Gorsuch, and she was born and reared in Maryland. No children have been born of this union.

Allen Robert McCulloch, a member of the Cambridge bar for a third of a century, has rendered many services that distinguish him among the citizenship of Guernsey County.

Born on a farm in Wills Township of that county, July 4, 1863, he is a son of William C. McCulloch, a native of Scotland, who came to the United States at the age of sixteen, and for a brief time attended school at Princeton, and, coming to Ohio, was engaged in farming and school teaching in Guernsey County until his death in 1890, at the age of fifty-eight. He married Sarah E. Sproat, of one of the pioneer families of Wills Township. She died in 1920, at the age of seventy-nine. Both parents were members of the Presbyterian Church, and in their family of eight children Allen Robert was the second.

Reared on the farm, Allen R. McCulloch largely through his own efforts overcame the obstacles in his task toward a professional career. He attended country schools, taught several terms in a rural district, graduated Bachelor of Science at Muskingum College in 1885, and while in college played on the baseball team. For four years he was superintendent of schools at Cumberland, Ohio, then entering the Cincinnati Law College, where he was graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1891. In the same year he located at Cambridge, and has practiced law continuously since that date.

Mr. McCulloch served twenty-two years as a member of the local school board and for a similar period was superintendent of the Presbyterian Sunday School, and almost continuously since 1903 has been a member of the Cambridge public library board. A democrat, he has twice been a member of the State Committee and is on the County Central Committee. Interested in all public measures affecting his home county and state, his special hobby has been good roads, and by appointment from Governor Cox he served on the advisory board of the State Highway Department, and is trustee and member of the Executive Committee of the Ohio Good Roads Association. At the time of the World war he was food commissioner and a member of the Legal Advisory Board in Guernsey County. Mr. McCulloch is a director of the Guernsey Building & Loan Association and the Cambridge Iron & Steel Company.

Floyd V. Miller, M. D., a prominent physician and surgeon of Delaware, was the man who organized and took overseas the branch of the Ohio Wesleyan Hospital Unit, and was in active charge of that unit and of field hospitals on several of the important battle fronts during the last year of the great war. Doctor Miller holds the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

He was born in Greene County, Pennsylvania, December 30, 1883, son of Dr. John H. and Charlotte (Nuss) Miller. Both parents were born in Pennsylvania. The Millers are of Scotch Irish origin. Jacob Miller was one of the pioneer settlers in Greene County, Pennsylvania, and married Sarah McConnell, who came from County Cork, Ireland. The grandfather of Doctor Miller was Heil Miller, who married Mary Warrick, a descendant of John Warrick, a soldier in the War of 1812, and the father of John Warrick was a Revolutionary veteran.

Dr. John H. Miller was born in 1858, began teaching at the age of sixteen, and with his earnings paid his way through the Western Pennsylvania Medical College at Pittsburgh, where he graduated in 1887. He practiced in Greene County, then in Washington, Pennsylvania, and since 1903 has continued the duties of a general practitioner at Delaware, Ohio. November 21, 1878, he married Miss Charlotte Nuss.

Doctor Floyd V. Miller was educated in a private school at Waynesburg, Pennsylvania. He was twenty years of age when the family came to Delaware, and here he spent two years in Ohio Wesleyan University. He studied medicine in the Starling Ohio Medical College of Columbus, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1909. During 1909-10 he did post-graduate work in the Miami Hospital at Dayton, spent a month in the Boston General Hospital in 1919, and and three months in the New York Post-Graduate Hospital in 1921. This training, together with his army experience and his work as a private practitioner, have served to develop his powers until he is regarded as one of the ablest surgeons of the state.

His military service began in 1911, when he was commissioned first lieutenant of the Ohio Medical Corps of the National Guard, the Fourth Ohio Regiment. In 1914 he was promoted to captain. He went with the Fourth Ohio to the Mexican border in 1916, spending six months at El Paso. He was mustered out of service at Delaware, March 3, 1917. In the latter part of April of the same year he was called to duty in the national army, and was commissioned a major in the Army Medical Corps and ordered to recruit at Delaware a field hospital unit. He did this in a remarkably brief time, reporting a complete enlistment of the entire personnel for a field hospital unit, which was promptly designated as the Ohio Wesleyan Unit, a name it held unofficially throughout the war. Doctor Miller carefully selected his men for this work, getting them from the student body of the University at Delaware. They were all athletic, some of them capable musicians, and proved their ability as entertainers in camp and field as well as thoroughly loyal and capable in every position of duty and danger. They were called to active training July 15, 1917, under the designation of the Fourth

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Ohio Field Hospital. On September 9 they went to Camp Sheridan at Montgomery, Alabama, where they were given intensive training. The Fourth Ohio received its official designation as the One Hundred Forty-seventh Field Hospital of the One Hundred Twelfth Sanitary Train of the Thirty-seventh Division. At Camp Sheridan the Ohio Wesleyan Unit won many victories in athletic contests. They left Camp Sheridan June 17, 1918, going to Camp Upton, Long Island, and June 27, left there for the docks, embarked on the H. M. S. Paassy, and after a thirteen day voyage in a convoy of fourteen vessels landed at Glasgow, July 10th. Thence they proceeded to Camp Morn Hill, Winchester, England, the next day to Southampton, and the Queen Alexandria took them across the channel to Cherbourg. July 15 they entrained for Bourmont, Haute Marne, and thence by a motor truck toward the front to the town of Rambervillers. About midnight after reaching there German airplanes dropped bombs, their first hint of real warfare. August 1 they moved on to Baccarat and took over hospital duty. Major Miller and a detail had preceded the company to Baccarat and arranged for the taking over the division surgical hospital from the Seventy-seventh Division. Here the unit came face to face with war in all its horrors. September 16, 1918, the company moved around Luneville through Nancy and Toul and on toward Bar-Le-Duc, each night while they were on the move being subjected to attacks from the German planes. At Rumont they took over a hospital that had been operated by the One Hundred Forty-fifth Field Hospital Company. A day later they moved on to Bar-Le-Duc, and two days after that toward the Argonne front. September 22 they improvised their field hospital only a few kilometers from the front line, in the midst of heavy woods, but exposed to artillery fire and gas threats. On September 24 the great Meuse-Argonne offensive on the Avacourt sector at Brabant was started, and in the days that followed hundreds of wounded, gassed or exhausted men came back to Colonel Miller's hospital. His command handled about twenty-six hundred men during those few days. October 4, 1918, the company again moved out, and after a few days rest proceeded to Bouillonville, arriving there October 8th and opened the advance hospital of the train for handling of gas and emergency surgical cases. This point of the front was greatly exposed to shell fire, and great numbers of gas victims were brought in. October 17 the position was evacuated in favor of replacements, and on October 20 the One Hundred Forty-seventh entrained with complete equipment for Flanders. Their route was through Neufchateau, Chaumont, Paris, Amiens, Boulogne and Calais, and on October 22, arrived in Flanders in mud knee deep at St. Jean Station, only three kilometers from Ypres. October 25 the unit moved up to Staden, and on October 28 the One Hundred Forty-seventh went to Meulebeke, Belgium, where a hospital was opened in a school and convent that the Germans had previously used as a hospital. Here a great number of gas patients from the Ypres-Lys offensive were handled between October 31 and November 11. Just before the armistice was signed the One Hundred and Forty-seventh was about to begin a new movement. The rest of the day was spent in celebrating, with band concerts and joint theatricals, participated in by both the Americans and the French troops. December 4 the start was made to the Belgium border, passing through Courtrai, Ypres and Poperinche, to Proven, Belgium, where they remained three nights, and thence to Malo Terminus, a suburb of Dunkerque. Here another division sick hospital was organized in the hotel, and was taken over by Evacuation Hospital No. 5, December 11. The next day Colonel Miller and his command moved to Normhoucht, where they remained during the holidays, and on the fourth of January, 1919, left there and three days later reached Alencon, where he remained until February 16. From there they moved to Bonnetable, near Le Mans, and while there Major Miller received his commission as lieutenant-colonel on February 22. Here the last hospital maintained for division sick was operated. On March 2 he and his command reached Brest, and spent two weeks in the mud of that town until embarking on the U. S. S. Montana. They landed at New York March 24, were in Camp Mills until the second of April, and on midnight of the following day arrived at Delaware. The One Hundred and Forty-seventh with three other companies of the One Hundred and Twelfth Sanitary Train paraded at Delaware and also at Columbus and reached Camp Sheridan the same night.

Colonel Miller married at Delaware, January 4, 1911, Miss Margaret Lupton, daughter of Doctor and Adel (Bush) Lupton. Her father was a well known physician of Delaware for a number of years, and was the son of a Union soldier, a lieutenant of Ohio Infantry, who died while a prisoner in Libby Prison. Mrs. Miller's mother is still living.

Doctor and Mrs. Miller are members of the Episcopal Church. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Elks, and belongs to the County, State and American Medical associations. He is chief surgeon on the staff of the Jane Case Hospital of Delaware.

EDWARD VAUGHAN is one of the prominent real estate men of Columbus, and since coming here in October, 1922, has applied the results of his long experience in allotment and subdivision work in a way to make his enterprises conspicuous in local real estate development.

Mr. Vaughan was born in Illinois, and had much of his early training and experience with one of the greatest allotment specialists Chicago ever knew, the late S. E. Gross. He handled allotments in the City of Chicago for Mr. Gross, and was also for a time connected with Wood, Harmon & Company of New York.

In Columbus Mr. Vaughan opened the Sullivant Heights on December 23, 1922. This was a tract of 5½ acres, bordering Sullivant and Ryan avenues. Already about $75,000 worth of homes have been constructed, and Mr. Vaughan has taken the lead in building improvement. He has maintained it as an exclusively American residence district. Another fine allotment is Vaughan Gardens, opened by him on West Mound Street at the edge of the city, and containing homes available to the same class of citizens as Sullivant Heights.

LEROY ALEXANDER MANCHESTER. No family name has been more significant of integrity, high character and sound ability in Mahoning County than that of Manchester. Leroy Alexander Manchester represents the modern generation, and is a prominent Youngstown attorney. Two of his brothers have likewise earned worthy reputations in the law.

He is a descendant of Thomas Manchester, who came from England in 1638 and was with the colony that made the first settlement on Narragansett Bay in Rhode Island. John Manchester, a great-grandson of Thomas Manchester, was an American soldier in the war for independence. Isaac Manchester, his son, at the age of fifteen, was captured by the British and forced to haul wood for the English soldiers' camps.

Benjamin Manchester, a son of Isaac, settled in what is now Mahoning County, Ohio, about 1804, coming from Washington County, Pennsylvania. He served as a soldier in the War of 1812. His wife was Nancy Doddridge, who died in 1813. Their son, Isaac

Manchester, was born in Mahoning County, December 20, 1810, and spent practically all his life in that locality. He married Ellen Wilson.

Hugh Alexander Manchester, son of Isaac and Ellen (Wilson) Manchester, was born in Canfield Township, Mahoning County, March 5, 1837. At the age of eighteen he began teaching, and had a long and successful experience in the public schools. For more than twenty years he was a member of the Board of County School Examiners, and was a trustee of the Northeastern Ohio Normal College. He organized and served as cashier of the Farmers National Bank of Canfield twenty years, from 1887 until 1907. He was elected to the Legislature in 1899, and in 1902 became mayor of Canfield. He was one of the original trustees and the first chairman of the board of the Glenwood Children's Home, was prominent in the Presbyterian Church, and was a Knight Templar Mason and Odd Fellow. He died at Canfield October 24, 1919.

On November 8, 1859, Hugh A. Manchester married Rose A. Squier, a daughter of Asher Squier. She died April 16, 1918, after they had been married upwards of sixty years. Their children were: Mary E., who died in 1880; Laura E., wife of E. P. Tanner, of Canfield; Fannie C., wife of C. E. Bowman, of Ellsworth, Ohio; Isaac Asher, who operates the old homestead; William Charles, a lawyer at Detroit; Curtis A., a prominent Youngstown attorney; and Leroy Alexander.

Leroy Alexander Manchester was born May 6, 1883, and spent the first eighteen years of his life on the old homestead farm at Canfield. He attended the district schools, graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from the Northeastern Ohio Normal College in 1902, and studied law in the University of Michigan, where he took his degree in 1905. For about a year he practiced in Detroit in association with his brother William C., and in June, 1906, located at Youngstown. On September 1, 1907, he became a member of the firm Hine, Kennedy, Robinson & Manchester, which with subsequent changes became Kennedy, Manchester, Conroy & Ford. Mr. Manchester is still a member of this firm, but since December 1, 1917, has given his legal talents exclusively to his work as general counsel for the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company.

Mr. Manchester has been a prominent participant in many phases of Youngstown's modern progress. He served as president of the Chamber of Commerce during 1918-19, and was made a vice president of the community corporation when it was established to take over general supervision of the charitable and social welfare organizations of the city. He was one of the incorporators of the Mahoning County Bar Association, is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, a director of the First National and Dollar Bank of Youngstown, belongs to the American Iron and Steel Institute, the Ohio Society of New York, the Rotary Club, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. He is a republican, belongs to the Youngstown Club and the Youngstown Country Club, having served as trustee of both the latter organizations, and is an elder in the First Presbyterian Church in Youngstown.

On August 4, 1909, Mr. Manchester married Miss Josephine Schaaf, daughter of Rev. J. C. and Flora (Straub) Schaaf, of Canfield. They have two children, Flora Rosana, born October 19, 1919; and Josephine, born September 5, 1920.

ROBERT MASON SOHNGEN is a prominent attorney of Hamilton, and has had a successful general practice for the past ten years, except for the period he was in the army during the World war.

Mr. Sohngen was born at Hamilton, in Butler County, July 16, 1887, son of Charles and Anna (Mason) Sohngen. His parents were also born at Hamilton, and his father for many years was a leader in local business affairs, was associated with other influential men in promoting the industrial prosperity of his community, and was noted as an authority on Butler County history.

Robert Mason Sohngen grew up at Hamilton, attending the public schools of that city. He graduated from high school in 1905, and then entered Cornell University, where he pursued the law course and was graduated in 1908. He then spent five months abroad in travel and study, and on his return to Hamilton instead of engaging in law practice he took a business position with the Williams Shoe Company. In 1912 he was admitted to the bar, and has since occupied a successful position at the Butler County bar. He was elected a member of the Hamilton Board of Education in 1915, upon its organization was elected president of the board and reelected in November, 1919, for a term of four years. In November, 1920, he was elected city attorney on the democratic ticket, and in 1923 was a candidate for reelection, but was defeated.

Mr. Sohngen was one of the young professional men of Hamilton who early identified themselves with the allied cause in the World war. When America entered the war he found various opportunities to serve the government, and in August, 1917, entered the Second Officers' Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis. In November he was commissioned a first lieutenant of infantry, and was assigned to duty with the One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Brigade at Camp Sherman. He remained there training troops, serving as camp judge advocate and as camp intelligence officer, and in July, 1918, was promoted to the rank of captain. He received his honorable discharge December 20, 1918.

Mr. Sohngen is a member of the Mason Order, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. In 1910 he married Miss Helen Ray Simpson, of Middletown, Ohio.

WILLIAM C. SHEPHERD. Except for the office of prosecuting attorney, William C. Shepherd's public service has been rendered in places without remuneration and through his successful private law practice. Mr. Shepherd is one of the ablest attorneys at the Butler County bar, and for many years has had an extensive and important corporation practice.

He was born at Monroe, in Butler County, July 3, 1855, son of George B. and Sarah A. (Tullis) Shepherd. His mother was a native of Butler County and his father was born in Pennsylvania and was brought to Butler County when a small child. William C. Shepherd was reared in a rural community, attended the district schools, and completed his literary education in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. He taught school for two years while studying law, and on the thirty-first day of March, 1879, began his career as a practicing attorney at Hamilton. He has been a member of the bar now for forty-five years. His service as prosecuting attorney began on January 1, 1885, and continued until January 1, 1888. Through many years he has given his talent to the law with few outside interests. While in general practice he has for twenty years represented many corporation interests. He is attorney for the Cincinnati, Indianapolis & West Railroad, for the Pennsylvania Railway, is general counsel for the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Traction Company, and is attorney for the Hooven-Owens-Rentschler Company, engine manufacturers, the Hamilton Foundry & Machine Company, and the G. A. Rentschler Company.

From 1889 to 1900 Mr. Shepherd served as a member of the board of public affairs of the City of Hamilton. From 1892 to 1896 he was secretary of the Butler County Agricultural Society. He is a member and has attended a number of conventions of the Ohio State and American Bar associations.

He married Miss Eleanor Nichol, of Indianapolis, Indiana, daughter of George and Francis A. (McDonald) Nichol. Her mother was a sister of one of Indiana's most distinguished statesmen, Joseph E. McDonald, who served in the United States Senate. Mrs. Shepherd was educated at Oxford College at Oxford, Ohio.

William S. Giffen has been a member of the Hamilton bar for over forty years. He is a former judge of the Common Pleas and Circuit courts, and his career has reflected great honor upon his abilities and character.

Judge Giffen was born April 8, 1851, son of Stephen E. and Rachael S. Giffen. His father was one of the active business men of Hamilton during the last century, being a leading figure in the lumber business. William S. Giffen was reared and educated at Hamilton, attending the public schools, and graduated from Miami University in 1871. After several years of business experience he entered the Cincinnati Law School, was graduated in 1880, and in the same year opened his law office in Hamilton. He was closely identified with a growing private practice until 1892, when Governor William McKinley appointed him judge of the Common Pleas Court. He was given second election to that office, and served in that capacity until 1897. In 1898 he was elected judge of the Circuit Court and reelected in 1904. Having given more than fifteen years to his duties on the bench he then retired and resumed private practice. Among other interests represented by him are the Jewel Photo Play Company and the Martin-Mason Brewing Company, of which he is general attorney.

In 1894 Judge Giffen married Miss Emma Brant, of Hamilton, daughter of David and Rebecca Brant. In 1905 Judge and Mrs. Giffen made a voyage abroad, traveling through Japan and China, and about the time they started to return Mrs. Giffen was taken ill and died. Judge Giffen has attended several state and national conventions of the republican party. He attends the Presbyterian Church. Judge Giffen read law in the office of Governor James E. Campbell.

Joseph D. Marshall, M. D. In the third of a century since he graduated in medicine Doctor Marshall has performed all the services of a well trained and conscientious doctor in Butler County. For many years his home has been at Hamilton. He is one of the leading representatives of the school of homeopathy here.

He was born at Middletown, Ohio, April 5, 1868, son of Isaac and Eleanor (Doty) Marshall. His father was a farmer. The children were: Rachael A., wife of William Diver, a farmer in Madison Township, Butler County; Dr. Joseph D.; Olive, wife of Edward Stewart, of Middletown; Minnie A., wife of Virgil Puckett, and Sarah E., who died when six years old.

Dr. Joseph D. Marshall was a farm boy, attended the district schools, and began the study of medicine with Dr. Thomas E. Reed, of Middletown. In 1888 he entered the Pulte Medical College at Cincinnati, a homeopathic school, and was graduated with his medical degree in 1891. Doctor Marshall first practiced at Millville, five miles west of Hamilton. He served two years as district physician and two years as physician at the County Infirmary. For nine years he was police surgeon of the City of Hamilton. He has a large general practice as a physician. He is a member of the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Institute of Homeopathy.

Doctor Marshall has been affiliated with the democratic party, but has never held any public office outside his profession. He is a member of the Baptist Church and the Loyal Order of Moose.

On September 24, 1891, he married Miss A. Etta Davis, of Millville. The two children of this union were: Alfred E., born December 26, 1892, and died March 31, 1894; and James Edgar, born June 7, 1898. On June 7, 1906, Doctor Marshall married Miss Myrtle Weatherby, of Preble County, Ohio, daughter of Andrew J. and Fannie Weatherby. Mrs. Marshall was educated at Camden, Ohio, took the nurses' training course at the Mitchell-Thomas and Hillside hospitals in Springfield, Ohio, and for thirteen years was a nurse in that city. She is a member of the Ohio Ladies' Homeopathic League.

Walter Pater, M. D. A native son of the City of Hamilton, after graduating from two medical colleges and hospital training in service, Dr. Walter Pater returned here and for five years has been a specialist in the eye, ear, nose and throat.

He was born at Hamilton, July 7, 1895, son of Joseph H. and Catherine (Kramer) Pater. In 1913 he graduated from the Hamilton High School. He then entered the Hahnemann Medical College at Philadelphia, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1917. During 1917-1918 he was house surgeon at the Miami Hospital at Dayton, and in 1918 he graduated from the medical department of the University of Michigan, and remained there as assistant professor in the department of eye, ear, nose and throat during 1919. In the fall of 1919 he returned to Hamilton, and has confined his practice to the eye, ear, nose and throat. During 1924 he spent considerable time in study abroad, including clinics at Paris and Vienna. He is one of the leading men in his specialty in Southern Ohio.

Doctor Pater is a member of the Society of Homeopathy, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the American Ophthalmological Society, and the Miami Valley Medical Society. He belongs to the Knights of Columbus and the Phi Alpha Gamma college fraternity.

Jefferson Township Public Library at New Paris in Preble County is a public institution worthy of some record in this publication. The Tuesday Club, which was founded by Miss Carrie Reid in 1892, started a small collection of about ninety volumes in 1904, the volumes being kept in the home of one of the members of the club. By October, 1906, the collection had grown to 600 volumes, and in that year the Tuesday Club turned it over to the New Paris school board, which immediately added 600 volumes more. In 1913 a consolidation was effected between the New Paris and Jefferson Township school boards, at which time the Jefferson Township Public Library Board was organized, consisting of the following members: the late C. W. Bloom, E. H. Young, Mrs. Ida Bohn, Mrs. Carrie Clark, C. M. Benson and H. H. Mikesell. The present board consists of the following: Lawrence Hawley, president; H. D. Collins, vice president; Mrs. Grace B. Hahn, secretary; Harry W. Bragg, treasurer, and Mrs. Minnie Pence, Mrs. Mary Reid, Rolla H. Brandon, who is superintendent of schools, and Miss Nelle McNeill is librarian.

The library is now supported by taxation and also by an endowment plan, resulting from the acts of

some philanthropic former citizens of New Paris, thus establishing memorials to friends and relatives. The library occupies large, spacious quarters on Main Street. It has enjoyed a steady growth since it was founded twenty years ago, and has not once been closed for lack of funds or lack of support on the part of the citizens. The library now contains over 4,000 volumes, including a number of rare and valuable old works presented by friends.

The greatest credit for the success of the library is due to Miss Carrie Reid, who, as mentioned, was founder of the Tuesday Club in 1892. Her parents were W. B. and Mary Reid, her mother being a member of the library board at the present time. She was a graduate of the high school at New Paris, and for many years taught in the local schools. In 1910-11-12 she was employed in the Census Bureau at Washington, then taught at Niles, Ohio, and was employed in the offices of the Industrial Commission of the State of Ohio at Columbus until her death. A shelf in the public library at New Paris is dedicated to the memory of Miss Reid.

Another patron and official of the library who gave generously of his time and support was the late C. W. Bloom, father of Mrs. Hahn, the present secretary.

James W. Overpeck, M. D. In the forty years since he graduated from medical college Doctor Overpeck has continuously engaged in the work of his profession, and for thirty-six years has been a leading member of the medical fraternity of the City of Hamilton.

He was born at the Village of Overpeck, Ohio, November 3, 1850, son of David and Rachael S. Overpeck. His father was a substantial Butler County farmer, and the Village of Overpeck was named for this branch of the family.

James W. Overpeck was educated in Starr's Institute of Butler County, and before entering medical college served five years as principal of the city schools of Hamilton. He took his medical course in the Pulte Medical College of Cincinnati, where he graduated in 1882. He was prevailed upon to remain with the college, and for five years held the chair of physiology in that institution. For six years Doctor Overpeck practiced medicine at La Crosse, Wisconsin, and then returned to Hamilton, where he has ever since been engaged in general practice. He is a well known specialist in digestive and nervous diseases. He is a member of the American Institute of Homeopathy, the Ohio Homeopathic Society, the Miami Valley Homeopathic Society, and the American Association of Medico-Physical Research which meets in Chicago every year. He also belongs to the Homeopathic Lyceum of Cincinnati, and for years has attended every meeting of these societies when his duties permitted. He was at the convention of the American Homeopathic Society at Atlantic City in 1922. He has read papers on various subjects before all these organizations. Doctor Overpeck is affiliated with Harmony Lodge No. 14, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Hamilton.

In 1887, at Hamilton, he married Miss Belle Bowman, whose father was a noted Methodist minister in Butler County. Mrs. Overpeck was educated in the Hamilton High School, and is an active worker in civic and social affairs, being a member of the Current Events Club and a former officer of the Young Women's Christian Association. Both Doctor Overpeck and Mrs. Overpeck are members of the Universalist Church, and he is serving on the board of trustees.

The Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio throughout the memory of man now living has been an institution of Cincinnati, and its chief functions have been collecting and preserving a splendid library of historical and scientific works. The library is the repository for a large amount of manuscript and other data of inestimable value as original sources for students of Ohio history.

The society for the first seventeen or eighteen years of its life had its home in Columbus, where it was organized. In February, 1849, the original society turned over all its property and documents to the newly organized historical society, which was established in August, 1844. Since then the home of the society has been in Cincinnati.

In 1871 the library was removed from the rooms of the Literary Club to a suite of five rooms furnished rent free by the Cincinnati College in the upper story of the college building on Walnut Street. Here it remained fifteen years. In 1885 it was removed to 107 West Eighth Street, the Garfield Place Building holding the library for sixteen years. At the end of that time it was transferred to the Van Wormer Library on the grounds of the University of Cincinnati.

The library in 1894 contained 17,450 bound volumes and 65,320 pamphlets. The use of the library is free to the public. The collection of books and documents has steadily grown, and Cincinnati is properly proud of this, one of the important elements in its cultural wealth. The society has eighty-two corporate members, twenty-two life members, ten corresponding members and two honorary members. The librarian is Mr. L. B. Hamlin.

Harry Winfield Brown, president and general manager of the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune, was born in New York City, January 23, 1876, son of Winfield and Mary (Morey) Brown. He was educated in New York University and from 1896 to 1899 was a reporter with the New York Sun. In 1899 he became city editor of the Cincinnati Post, was editor of the Kentucky Post of Covington from 1900 to 1906, was editor-in-chief of the Cincinnati Post from 1906 to 1914, and then spent five years on the editorial staff of the New York Times, and in 1919 returned to Cincinnati as president and general manager of the Commercial Tribune.

Edgar A. Belden. A former judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Butler County, Edgar A. Belden began the practice of law at Hamilton more than forty years ago, and has gained all the substantial honors of an able attorney before he was elected to the bench. Both in his profession and as a citizen he has been one of the most useful men in Butler County.

He was born at Hamilton, November 28, 1855, son of Samuel C. and Mary (Fitton) Belden. The Fittons are an old and prominent family of Southern Ohio. His mother was born in Butler County, and died at the age of thirty-eight, in 1868. Samuel C. Belden was born in Massachusetts, November 29, 1815, and came to Hamilton, Ohio, as a young man. He built up a large and important industry for the manufacture of brooms, and gave generously of his means and influence for the welfare of the community. He died in 1885, at the age of seventy. The children were: James E., who engaged in the dry goods business with the D. W. Fitton Company; Horace T., who died in 1876, at the age of twenty-two, while teller in the First National Bank of Hamilton; Edgar A.; William C., born in 1858, who went to California in 1882 and bought a fruit farm, and served a term as judge of the County Court of San Bernardino County; and Webster A., who was born at Hamilton in 1860, and for many years was in the manufacturing business.

Edward Miller

Edgar A. Belden was graduated from the Hamilton High School in 1872. For about six years he was a clerk in the offices of the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati. Resigning in 1879 and returning to Hamilton, he studied law under Thomas Millikin, a prominent attorney, and was admitted to the bar by the Supreme Court of the state February 2, 1881. He has always engaged in a general practice, and has represented one side or another in some of the most prominent cases tried in the local courts. His election to the bench of the Common Pleas Court in November, 1901, was a remarkable tribute to his personal ability, integrity and manifest qualifications for that office. He was a candidate on the republican ticket and he was elected by more than 700 votes over his opponents in a county normally democratic. In the five years he was on the bench Judge Belden gained the respect of both the bar and the public, and few of his decisions were appealed or reversed.

When the Young Men's Christian Association was organized at Hamilton Judge Belden became its first president, and served in that capacity for five years. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, president of the board of trustees, and belongs to several fraternities. He helped organize in 1886 the Hamilton High School Alumni Association.

May 22, 1888, Judge Belden married Elisa M. Potter, daughter of Lucius B. and Mary B. Potter, of Hamilton. They had two children, Horace and Lucia. Horace, who was in the stock and bond business at Detroit, Michigan, died December 1, 1923. Lucia, the wife of Dr. Clarence L. Hunt, dentist of Fort Smith, Arkansas, is the mother of two children, Elizabeth, born in 1916, and Lucia Lee, born in 1921.

Herbert J. Miller, secretary of the Valley Mortgage Company at Hamilton, is a young man of liberal education, and has made an interesting record of progress in the comparatively brief span of years since he left school.

He was born January 24, 1899, son of Alexander and Katherine (Fontaine) Miller. While growing up at Hamilton he attended St. Stephen's parochial schools and the Catholic High School, and in the intervals of his business career has completed a course in higher accounting and auditing with the La Salle Correspondence School at Chicago, and is now taking an evening course in the University of Cincinnati in finance and investment.

His first employers were Leinbach, Humphrey & Shipman Company, first at Hamilton and then with the company's office at Detroit in the real estate department. December 1, 1921, he went with the Ray Shipman Company of Hamilton, real estate dealers, and on July 1, 1922, was elected secretary of the Valley Mortgage Company. This company has authorized capital of $500,000, and does an extensive loan business on city property.

Mr. Miller is unmarried. He belongs to the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Columbus, and the Phi Delta Kappa fraternity.

Peter P. Boli. In 1922 Peter P. Boli received a distinction that is in the nature of a splendid tribute to his professional abilities and the character that makes an able public official. On the republican ticket he was elected prosecuting attorney of Butler County, by a majority of over 6,000 votes, though the county normally is a democratic stronghold. Mr. Boli was the first republican ever elected prosecuting attorney of Butler County since 1871.

He represents an old and honored family of Butler County, and was born at Hamilton, March 31, 1885, son of Louis A. and Caroline (Buckel) Boli. After finishing the course of the Hamilton High School he entered the law department of Ohio State University, where he was graduated in 1908. Mr. Boli has been a practicing attorney at Hamilton now for fifteen years, and he early gave proof of the masterful qualifications for a thoroughly successful lawyer. He won the substantial honors of success in private practice before he would consent to any of the responsibilities of public office gained in politics.

He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Pythias and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. On May 7, 1914, he married Miss Sue Whelan, daughter of Isaac Whelan, of Hamilton. They have one daughter, Betty C.

Harry J. Koehler, Jr. In a dozen years since his admission to the bar Harry J. Koehler, Jr., has won an enviable position as a successful attorney in Butler County, and is also a recognized leader in the democratic party in his section of Ohio.

Mr. Koehler was born at Hamilton, March 6, 1890, son of Harry J. Koehler, Sr. As a boy he was known as an exceptionally brilliant student. He graduated from high school in 1907, and, entering the law department of the University of Cincinnati, received his Bachelor of Laws degree June 4, 1910. Since then he has built up a large general practice. In 1915, at the age of twenty-five, he was elected city solicitor of Hamilton, and he was twice reelected, in 1917 and again in November, 1919. In November, 1921, he was elected mayor of Hamilton, taking up his duties as chief executive of the city in January, 1922. His name became known all over the State of Ohio as being one of the young men of gifted leadership in the democratic party. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Eagles and the Knights of Pythias.

Edward Miller. Many able students of humanity claim that the progress and development represented in modern civilization have depended primarily upon the work of the creative mind, the inventors and discoverers. Ohio has given a number of notable names to the roll of American inventors and scientists. One who has contributed a number of commercially successful inventions and machines for the manufacture of glass is Edward Miller of Columbus, proprietor of the Miller Machine and Mold Works.

Mr. Miller is a native Ohioan, born at Tiffin in 1874, son of William and Anna (Smith) Miller. His mother was born in the duchy of Luxemburg and is still living. The late William Miller, born in Switzerland, was seven years of age when his parents came to America. The immigration was attended by great adventure and tragedy. The sailing vessel that carried them as passengers landed at Galveston, Texas, where the father of William Miller was soon stricken with the yellow fever. The widowed mother and her young children soon afterward went back to Switzerland. Three years later, however, they ventured again on a voyage to the new world, this time coming by the northern route to New York, and thence to Ohio. Arriving at Sandusky, the mother with her young son and two younger daughters walked a distance of nearly sixty miles to Forest, in Hardin County, where they settled. William Miller during his active life followed the trade of carpenter, and he possessed a highly inventive and mechanical trend of mind, characteristics that have descended to his son.

In his native town of Tiffin, Edward Miller acquired a public school education and learned the machinist's trade. He was about twenty-seven when he came to Columbus in 1901, and was soon employed as machinist in the plant of the Federal Glass Company. The president of the company then was the

late R. J. Beatty. While earning his living by his trade as a machinist Mr. Miller had his mind centered on many problems that he had been studying, working up to the devising of machinery and special appliances to improve the technic of glass manufacture as then in practice. Not long after going into the glass plant Mr. Miller submitted various drawings embodying his ideas to Mr. Beatty. The latter showed much interest in the work and encouraged him to go on and work out his plans. Accordingly, in 1902 Mr. Miller, whose capital at that time hardly exceeded $50, installed a small shop in a corner of the Federal Glass Company's plant and used this to build his machine. His efforts were successful, and by 1906 his business had grown to a point where he was able to establish a larger and independent plant of his own at 705-719 Ann Street, South of Livingston Avenue. This has since developed into a notable industry, and one of a small number found in the country manufacturing special and highly technical machinery for glass manufacture. The machinery manufactured by the Miller Machine & Mold Works has all been designed by Mr. Miller. His plant manufactures automatic glass pressing and blowing machinery, including machines for the manufacture of glass bottles, jars, milk bottles, tumblers, electric light shades, globes, etc. New machines are being added from time to time and improvements on old machines are frequently made.

Mr. Miller is a member of the Ohio Manufacturers Association, National Metal Trades Association, the Columbus Metal Trades Association, the Order of Elks and Holy Rosary Church. He married Miss Ann Augusta Burns. She was born in Columbus. Their two children are Florian Edward and Dorothea Agnes.

David Pierce has not only been very successful in the general practice of law, but has exercised an unusual influence in public affairs, though seldom in public office. For many years his home has been at Hamilton, where he is one of the most respected members of the bar.

He was born in Preble County, Ohio, October 18, 1857, and comes of an old American and Revolutionary family. He is of the same original stock from which Franklin Pierce, elected President of the United States in 1852, was descended. David Pierce's great-grandfather, Ephraim Ladd, marched in the "Lexington Alarm" at the beginning of the Revolution. The great-great-grandfather, John Railsback, was one of the farmers who came at the call of Benjamin Franklin to assist in moving Braddock's army in its campaign against the French and Indians. He was with Braddock in his defeat and helped bury that British general. The maternal grandfather of David Pierce, Hon. David Barnet, was twice a member of the Constitutional Convention of Ohio, and was the first president of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Richmond Railway Company. He also held many other official positions.

David Pierce grew up on a farm in Preble County, and was educated in public schools there. He attended the Normal College at Danville, Indiana, and was first known in the City of Hamilton, Ohio, as principal of the Fifth Ward School. He took up the study of law with the firm of Banning & Davidson of Cincinnati, and in 1882 graduated from the Cincinnati Law College. For a time he practiced law in Preble County, and in 1885 declined a unanimous nomination on the democratic ticket to represent that county in the Ohio General Assembly.

After removing to Hamilton he took an active part in democratic affairs in the county, serving several years as a member of the central committee, and two years as its treasurer. For many years Mr. Pierce was a trustee of the Lane Free Library. He gave careful study to monetary problems in America, and the result of his studies was published in a volume of 250 pages, entitled "Money Brief," a volume that attracted a great deal of attention over the country, and received endorsements from W. J. Bryan, from James K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, and from many other prominent democrats. The book contains the coinage laws of the United States and the defense of the principles of the free coinage of gold and silver.

Mr. Pierce was a member of the Ohio Constitutional Convention of 1912. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. On July 31, 1895, he married Miss Nettie Chadwick, daughter of George Clinton and Margaret Ellen Chadwick. Mrs. Pierce, who died June 19, 1922, was for a number of years president of the Hamilton Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

George M. Cummins, M. D. It is twenty-three years since Doctor Cummins began his work as a physician and surgeon at Hamilton. His clientage recognizes the fine quality of his devoted and capable service, and he has become well known in the ranks of his profession all over Southern Ohio.

Doctor Cummins was born at Hamilton, Ohio, in 1876, and was reared and educated in Butler County. He graduated from high school in 1896, and then entered the Medical College of Ohio. He received his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1900, and for several months practiced at Dayton, but in November of the same year returned to Hamilton. Doctor Cummins has kept in touch with his profession by much post-graduate work, and his exceptional skill as a surgeon has become so well recognized that he now confines most of his attention to general surgery. He is a member of the Butler County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, also the Union District Medical Society, and is a former president of the County Medical Society. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

Doctor Cummins married Miss Mary Clyne, and they have one son, George C. Cummins.

Walton S. Bowers. In the successful practice of law Walton S. Bowers has been engaged in his native city of Hamilton for over twenty years. He brought to his profession a thorough education and sound natural gifts, and in his practice has found that satisfaction derived from the sense of being valuable to his clients and deserving of the esteem of his fellow citizens.

He was born at Hamilton January 5, 1879, son of Stephen D. and Susan E. (Walton) Bowers. His parents are now deceased. His only living brother is Leigh H. Bowers, who is located at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and is superintendent of long distance telephone lines for independent companies.

Walton S. Bowers was educated in the public schools, graduating from high school in 1898. He took his law degree in Ohio State University in 1901, and in the same year returned to Hamilton and has since been engaged in private practice. He has been honored with election as president of the Butler County Bar Association. He is an influential republican in politics, but so far has not sought political honors.

Mr. Bowers is a director of the Industrial Castings Company, and is vice president, secretary and director of the Fruehling Dairy Company. He is unmarried. During the World war he was a committee worker in all the Liberty Loan, Red Cross and other drives, and acted as legal adviser to the draft board. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, belongs to the Knights of Pythias and Benevolent and

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Protective Order of Elks, and while not a member is affiliated with the Methodist Church in religious belief.

HUGH DANIEL SCHELL, M. D. For over forty years the name Schell has been associated with the practice of medicine in Hamilton. Dr. H. D. Schell has been busily engaged in his professional work there for over seventeen years, and his record supplements that of his honored father, who was one of the most honored physicians of Butler County.

His father, Dr. S. M. Schell, was a native of Ingersol, Ontario, Canada, and married Miss Emily Lamport, of Woodstock, Ontario. Dr. S. M. Schell was a graduate of the Homeopathic College of Cleveland, and throughout his professional career lived at Hamilton, where he enjoyed exceptional success in his profession. He died there April 27, 1917. He and his wife had a large family of five sons and four daughters. The oldest son, Fred, now lives in Brazil, and is an employe of the Brazilian government; Carl is assistant postmaster of Hamilton; Edward S. is a dentist, practicing at Cincinnati; Lee is a practicing dentist at Seattle, Washington; and Dr. H. D. is the second youngest of the sons. The daughters are: Mrs. W. B. Chaffey, of Mildura, Australia; Miss Lillian, of Cincinnati; Mary Schell, a kindergarten teacher at Gary, Indiana; and Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs, of New York City.

Dr. H. D. Schell was born at Hamilton, in 1879, and as a boy attended the grade and high schools of his native city. He finished his literary education at Miami University, graduating in 1902, and then entered the Hahnemann Medcal College of Philadelphia. He received his degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1906, and after a year as interne in the Homeopathic Hospital at Pittsburgh, returned to Hamilton and became associated with his father, carrying an increasing share of the burdens of the practice of the elder Schell until the latter's death. Since then Doctor Schell has practiced alone and is regarded as one of the ablest representatives of homeopathic medicine in Southern Ohio.

During the World war Doctor Schell received a commission as first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, and on November 1, 1918, was called to duty at Greenville, South Carolina, and assigned to the Eighty-ninth Infantry. He received his honorable discharge February 1, 1919. He is a member of the Butler County Medical Society, the Homeopathic Medical Society of Ohio, the American Institute of Homeopathy, the American Association of Medico-Physical Research. His college fraternities are the Phi Delta Theta and the Phi Alpha Gamma, and he is a York and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a Knights Templar and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

STEPHEN ULYSSES SIVON, M. D. In the ten years of his career since graduating from medical college Doctor Sivon has found his abilities gone more and more into the field of surgery, and he is one of the accomplished men in that branch of his profession in Portage County. His home is at Ravenna.

Doctor Sivon was born in Cleveland, September 2, 1886, son of Charles and Catherine (Flowers) Sivon. His father was born at Nancy, France, and his mother, in Alsace-Lorraine. He came to Cleveland, and for many years was a foreman in the Gordon Park, but is now retired. The mother of Doctor Sivon died in 1900.

Stephen U. Sivon attended the public schools of Cleveland, including high school, and continued his higher education in Western Reserve University and the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. He was graduated in medicine at Western Reserve in 1912. For five years he practiced at Sebring, Ohio, and during the World war was a member of the Medical Reserve Corps at Sebring and for a time was Government examiner at Youngstown. Since then he has practiced at Ravenna. He is also a specialist in diagnosis and has a complete equipment for X-ray examinations. He served as county surgeon of Portage County in 1922, and is a member of the Portage County and Ohio State Medical associations, the American Medical Association and the American Clinical Congress of Surgeons.

In September, 1912, Doctor Sivon married Ethel Edmonds, a native of Perry, Lake County, Ohio, and a daughter of James and Lianar (Hungerford) Edmonds. Her parents were pioneer settlers at Leroy, Ohio. Doctor and Mrs. Sivon have three children: Iola Sivon, Lynn Edmonds and Ruth Louise. Doctor and Mrs. Sivon are members of the Christian Church, and he was a trustee of the church at Sebring. He is a republican in politics, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias at Ravenna.

HON. JOSEPH L. HEFFERNAN, judge of the Municipal Court of Youngstown, was appointed to that office by Governor Vic Donahey, on March 13, 1923, to fill a vacancy. He became a candidate for election, was endorsed by the non-partisan Citizen's Committee and on November 6, 1923, was elected for the regular four-year term, receiving the largest vote given any candidate in the history of Mahoning County. His total vote was over 22,000, nearly 8,000 more than his nearest republican competitor, and 2,000 more than given the successful candidate for mayor. It was a remarkable expression of confidence and esteem.

It is only on rare occasions that a man comes to the responsibilities of such an office as judge with such qualifications of experience and knowledge of the world and humanity as are part of the character and training of Judge Heffernan. He lived as a boy at Youngstown, but between boyhood and his elevation to the bench intervened years of contact with the world that has brought him an appreciation of the environment and working conditions of nearly every class of American life. He even spent some time abroad, first as a newspaper correspondent, and later with the Expeditionary Forces during the World war.

Judge Heffernan was born at Youngstown, February 8, 1887, son of John and Rose Ann (Flynn) Heffernan. His maternal grandmother, Jane Donnelly, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and his maternal grandfather, James Flynn, was born in County Clare, Ireland. His paternal grandparents, John and Catherine (Ryan) Heffernan, were both natives of County Tipperary, Ireland. Both his grandfathers came to America early in the last century, and both were contractors and builders. His paternal grandfather was for several years engaged in building work and in and around New York City, and later both grandfathers came west to Ohio, the Flynns living at Steubenville for several years, and it was there that Judge Heffernan's mother was born. The Heffernans settled at Hubbard, now in Trumbull County, and subsequently both families moved to Youngstown, where the parents of Judge Heffernan married and reared their family of eight children. John Heffernan entered the iron and steel mills as a young man, and was one of the earliest iron workers in the Mahoning Valley industrial district.

Judge Heffernan will always be an eager student in the school of life. His education so far as formal contact with schools was concerned covered a good many years, with wide intervals between. He attended school at Youngstown, also the district school at Coitsville Center in Mahoning County, a commercial

college at Youngstown, and then one at Los Angeles, California. He later qualified as a commercial teacher at the Zanerian Art College at Columbus, Ohio. For a time he studied at Valparaiso University in Indiana, and also in Ohio State University, and on his first trip abroad attended conferences and lectures at the famous Sorbonne in Paris. However, his treasured volumes, particularly Shakespeare, which he always had at his side while working in the steel mills and during his travels, supplied him with perhaps more self-acquired learning than came to him within the walls of any institution he attended.

After leaving grade school he worked several years in the steel mills of the Carnegie Steel Company at Youngstown. Judge Heffernan had more than the average boy's thirst for travel and adventure, and for some ten years he indulged this inclination, particularly in the states of the West. After leaving home he labored with a steam shovel gang in the Middle West, cooked in the galley of an Ohio River steamboat, fished for pearls in the Wabash River near old Vincennes, presided as chef in the best restaurants in Bridgeport, Illinois, where he also worked in the oil fields, became an expert riveter in the oil districts of Oklahoma around Tulsa, went West and was a hotel clerk in the Westmore Hotel in Los Angeles, worked on the water front at San Francisco, was employed as an accountant with the working force engaged in building the Los Angeles aqueduct in the Mojave desert, prospected in the Death Valley region of the Southwest, and tramped all over that country and Northern Mexico. Later he returned East, was employed in a hotel at Atlantic City, and in 1910 took up newspaper work.

His newspaper experience connected him with the editorial staff of The Telegram and The Vindicator at Youngstown, The Ohio State Journal at Columbus, and The Cleveland Leader. The year 1913 he spent abroad in Europe as a free lance, writing for American papers and magazines from London, Paris and the countries of the continent. He returned to America in 1914, just about the time the great war broke out. The next year he attended the San Francisco Exposition as a newspaper writer and representative of the McKinley Memorial Association.

During all these years Judge Heffernan was steadily working toward the goal of his early aspirations, to become a lawyer. His studies were necessarily intermittent, and he has calculated that it took him nearly ten years from his first formal efforts until he took the bar examination at Columbus and was admitted to practice in 1916.

Then followed a few months as a young attorney at Youngstown, but immediately after the United States declared war on Germany, in April, 1917, he enlisted, joining Hospital Unit Number 31, which was organized at Youngstown, and was trained at Allentown, Pennsylvania. He went overseas in 1917, and in France was transferred to the Intelligence Department, G-2-G, and upon the organization of the Stars and Stripes was assigned to that famous army paper. He was attached to the first army in the Argonne drive, and had many opportunities of reaching almost every part of the western front. After the armistice he went to Luxembourg with the first troops, entered Germany with the Army of Occupation, and later was assigned to the American Expeditionary Forces University at Beaune, France, as instructor in journalism.

On May 13, 1919, he was honorably discharged, and soon afterward resumed his law practice in Youngstown, continuing so until he went on the bench of the Municipal Court in March, 1923.

Judge Heffernan in his political experience has come to firmly believe in the American party system of government, and in organization within the parties. He has himself been a democrat as to party affiliations, with progressive views. He was elected county chairman in Mahoning County and a member of the State Central Committee in 1922, and in the presidential campaign of 1920 was connected with the national headquarters at New York as assistant to James Campbell Cantrill, chief of organizations.

Judge Heffernan married in 1919, at St. George's, Shropshire, England, Beatrice Mary Jones, daughter of John and Martha (Lake) Jones, of Wattling House, St. George's, Shropshire, England. Her father was a builder, and the family have long been identified with Shropshire, being substantial people of the traditional country British type. Mrs. Heffernan was educated as a teacher, receiving a certificate from Cambridge University, and is a young woman of keen intellect and exceptional learning. Judge Heffernan has a son seven years old by a former marriage with Catherine O'Connor, a distinguished newspaper woman of Ohio, the mother of his son dying at his birth. Mr. and Mrs. Heffernan have a baby daughter, Beatrice Martha Heffernan. Fraternally, Judge Heffernan is actively identified with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and is now exalted ruler of Youngstown Lodge, No. 55.

Samuel Dustin Fitton. After nearly sixty years of active connection with the banking interests of the City of Hamilton, Samuel Dustin Fitton died December 6, 1920. He came to be regarded as one of the ablest bankers in Ohio, and he remained loyal to his home city and state, once declining an offer of large responsibilities in the country's great financial center.

He was born at Hamilton, June 21, 1846, son of James Fitton. His father was born in Heywood, England, and with his brothers, William and Samuel, came to the United States. They went to Cincinnati, having heard of a wagon manufacturer in that city of the same name and also from England. Mr. Fitton learned the wagon making trade, and he subsequently married the daughter of his employer, Hannah Bailey Fitton, who was a native of Manchester, England. On leaving Cincinnati James Fitton located at West Charleston, where he was in the mercantile business, and in April, 1844, moved to Hamilton, where he started a wagon making shop. He died suddenly when in the prime of his business energies. Several of his sons became prominent in Hamilton and elsewhere. His wife died in 1873.

Samuel Dustin Fitton was educated in the National Furman Academy at Hamilton, also attended the public schools, and for a brief time worked in the store of his brother, Thomas Fitton. When he was sixteen years of age he became a messenger with the First National Bank of Hamilton. Soon afterwards he was promoted to teller, in 1867 became assistant cashier, and in 1894, cashier. In 1895, on the death of Asa Shuler, the president, he succeeded to that office, and for fifteen years he guarded the destinies of this institution with such ability as to make it the strongest bank in Hamilton and one of the strongest in the state.

The late Mr. Fitton used his power and financial possessions to promote the solid business interests at Hamilton in many ways. He was one of the promoters of the Niles Tool Works Company of Hamilton and the Niles Bement Pond Company of New York, serving as vice president of the former and a director of the latter. He was a member of the executive committee of the American Bankers Association, was president of the Ohio State Bankers Association and first president of the Hamilton Clearing House Association. He caused the municipal gas works to be built at Hamilton, negotiating the sale of the bonds to a British syndicate in New York. He was a member of Hamilton's first board

of park commissioners, and after the flood of 1913, as president of the Chamber of Commerce, wielded an influence that brought new life to the city. He was a director of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Mercy Hospital, contributing liberally to both these institutions. He was one of the founders of the Hamilton Club and the Butler County Country Club, serving as president of both. He was an active worker in the First Methodist Episcopal Church.

In 1888 Mr. Fitton married Miss Mary Falconer, daughter of the distinguished Dr. Cyrus Falconer. She died in August, 1921. There are two sons, Cyrus J. and Donald Webb Fitton.

Cyrus J. Fitton, who was born March 14, 1889, was educated in the public schools of Hamilton, graduated from Princeton University with the class of 1912, and from Harvard Law School in 1915. He has been one of the rising young attorneys of the City of Hamilton since the fall of 1915. However, he spent nearly two years in the army during the World war, enlisting October 4, 1917, and receiving his honorable discharge at Camp Sherman September 15, 1919. He went overseas to France, June, 1918, as a private, and on November 1, 1918, was promoted to second lieutenant. He is a member of the Butler County, Ohio State and American Bar associations.

Cyrus J. Fitton married Miss Elaine Jones, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, September 2, 1922. She is a graduate of Radcliff College with the class of 1914, is a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority, and is prominent in club and social life at Hamilton.

Donald Webb Fitton, the younger son, was born April 18, 1890, at Hamilton. He was educated in the public schools, graduated in 1912 from Princeton University, and then with his parents and brother spent a number of months abroad in travel through England, Wales, Scotland, France, Holland, Italy and Germany. After returning home he accepted the post of assistant cashier in the First National Bank, and on August 1, 1923, was elected vice president of that institution. He is a Master Mason.

Donald W. Fitton married Miss Nannie Vaden, of Richmond, Virginia, daughter of Louis and Kate Vaden. Mrs. Fitton is a graduate of Randolph-Macon Woman's College of Virginia. They have three children: Cyrus Falconer, born October 28, 1921; Kate Porter, born November 20, 1922; and Donald Webb, born April 27, 1924.

THOMAS CLIVE JONES, president of the Delaware Gas Company, has had an experience of more than a third of a century in the commercial production and distribution of both artificial and natural gas. For many years he has been an acknowledged expert in this industry, has been an official of numerous state and national bodies connected with the gas business, and his practical and technical knowledge have been made available not only through these official services but through many addresses and other contributions to the literature on the subject.

In a business career that has made him one of Ohio's successful men Thomas Clive Jones has measured up to the high standards of a notable family and ancestry. The Jones family has been in Delaware County for a century. Mr. Jones was born on his father's farm in Troy Township, November 17, 1867, son of Thomas C. and Harriet (Williams) Jones, his mother a native of Ohio and his father of North Wales.

His grandfather, Robert Jones, brought his family to the United States from Wales in 1822, and after many hardships on sea and after landing he and his brother Davis arrived at the little frontier Village of Delaware. Robert developed a farm a few miles east of the town, and there reared his family.

His son, Thomas C. Jones, was six years of age when the family settled in Delaware County. He acquired a district school education, learned the routine of farm life, also became a carpenter, and later studied law with an older brother. In 1838 he was delegated with the responsibility of going to England to look after an estate in which his father had an entailed interest. He remained abroad eighteen months. Thomas C. Jones was admitted to the bar in 1841, in 1859 was elected a member of the State Senate, serving two terms, and was chairman of the committee on public works and a member of the finance and judiciary committees. In 1861 he was elected judge of the first sub-division of the Sixth Judicial District of Ohio, and was on the bench ten years. Many of the best honors of the law, public affairs and politics came to him and he proved worthy of them all. He was chairman in 1868 of the Ohio State delegation to the Republican National Convention at Chicago which nominated Grant and Colfax, also held the same position in 1876 when the republican convention nominated Hayes and Wheeler in Cincinnati. In 1869 he was sent to Minnesota by President Grant to investigate the Indian affairs in that state, and in 1880 was sent by President Hayes on a mission to England relative to cattle raising in that country. He was a member and president of the State Board of Agriculture, was trustee of the Ohio Agricultural College, was chairman of the jury to award honors in the cattle department of the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia in 1876, and in 1881 was appointed a member of a commission, under a special act of Congress, to report on the agricultural needs of the Pacific states. While an able lawyer, much of his time and thoughts were devoted to agricultural problems. His writings on farm subjects commanded national recognition. He was the first president of the Ohio Association of Breeders of Short Horn Cattle.

The wife of Judge Thomas C. Jones, Harriet Williams, represented a family of not less prominence and distinction in Central Ohio. Her father was Hon. Hosea Williams. He was of Welsh descent. Several brothers of the name Williams came to New England in Colonial times. Charles Williams, ancestor of Hosea Williams, died at Colchester, Connecticut, April 14, 1740, at the age of ninety-four, and was survived by six sons. One of them, Nathan Williams, married, September 16, 1725, Elizabeth Lewis, also of Welsh ancestry. Their family consisted of four sons and five daughters. One of them, Abraham Williams, born July 21, 1726, married Vesta Hunt. Their son, Abraham, Jr., born September 16, 1765, married Anna Chamberlain, and they became the parents of Hosea Williams. Their home was in Berkshire until after the marriage of their only child Hosea to Charlotte Elizabeth Avery on May 29, 1817. Charlotte Avery was a half sister of Governor E. D. Morgan of New York. After this event the family moved to the undeveloped region known as the Scioto Valley in Ohio, and stayed at Delaware until their home was built on a 300-acre farm. After getting Hosea and his wife comfortably settled his parents returned to Massachusetts, but in 1825 rejoined their son. Hosea had the education of the usual New England youth, a son of well-to-do parents. For a short time he clerked in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. From the farm in the Scioto Valley he moved to Delaware and became a merchant, a business he followed many years and with notable enterprise and success. He was able in business and had the public spirit of a community builder. He did much for early churches and schools and the improvement of highways, and was also liberal in his donations to some of the pioneer Ohio railroads. While living on the farm he served as county com-

missioner, and at Delaware he became a village official, later judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and in 1845 was elected first president of the Delaware County Branch of the State Bank of Ohio. He was a member of the State Board of Control of the institution until its charter expired. Upon the reorganization of the Delaware Bank he was chosen its first president, an office he filled until his death. Judge Williams was one of the first directors of the Cleveland, Columbus & Cincinnati Railroad and was instrumental in causing this company to run all of its trains through Delaware which heretofore had used only the direct line about three miles east of town.

In 1869 Judge Williams took over the Delaware Gas Company, and reorganized it in 1870, placing the corporation on a sound financial basis and installing the most practical and modern gas machinery of the day. This was really the beginning of the business now so ably carried on by his grandson, T. C. Jones, the subject of this sketch. Associated with Judge Howard in 1838, he erected a paper mill in what is now the Village of Stratford.

With the example of men like his father and grandfather before him, Thomas Clive Jones had a constant impetus to make the best of his time and abilities. He attended the public schools of Delaware, took the academic course of Kenyon College in Gambier, and the commercial course at the Spencerian Business College in Washington, D. C. On returning to Delaware he became a collector for the Delaware Gas Company, and with the exception of a few years has been identified almost continuously with this corporation. In 1886-1888 he was teller for the Columbus Gas Company, Columbus, Ohio. For two years he was engaged in the coal and feed business under the firm name of Baker & Jones, selling this business to resume his connection with the Delaware Gas Company. He was made its superintendent in 1891, and president in 1905.

In 1902 the plant was reconstructed for the distribution of natural gas, which gave Mr. Jones the opportunity to put some of his matured ideas and aggressive policies into effect, and the business responded in a way to prove the value of his plans and justify his foresight in every improvement. Under his direction the Delaware Gas Company's properties have become a perfect system of their kind. There has always been a studied policy to keep the system thoroughly modern and its facilities adequate for all emergencies. This policy has been maintained by the laying of larger pipe lines, installing duplex district governors, and other facilities that promote efficiency of operation as well as economy. The company owns the finest modern fireproof office building in Delaware. Its facilities and service have made it one of the modern organizations of the kind in the state.

In 1901 Mr. Jones bought a third interest in the Coshocton Gas Company, Coshocton, Ohio. This property, to which was extended the same business policy that proved so effective in Delaware, at once responded similarly.

Mr. Jones' standing as an authority in the gas industry can best be understood by noting some of the larger honors and responsibilities that have come to him. He was made a member of the Ohio Gas Light Association in 1892, served for many years on its executive committee and for eight years was its secretary. In 1898 he was elected a member of the American Gas Association, and in 1900 joined the Michigan Gas Association. In 1909, at the urgent solicitation of the board of directors, he was chosen acting secretary and treasurer of the Natural Gas Association, on account of the serious illness of the regular official, Mr. J. F. Owens of Tulsa, Oklahoma. At the next annual meeting Mr. Jones was persuaded to become the permanent secretary-treasurer. At that time the association had a membership of less than 150. Mr. Jones continued in office until 1919, and during that time built up the membership to over 1,500, and increased its power as an effective organization even more proportionately. As secretary of this and the old Ohio Association for nearly twenty years he edited and published all the annual volumes of their proceedings. He was a charter member of the American Gas Institute and became its first treasurer.

Mr. Jones was one of the organizers and charter members of the Ohio Gas & Oil Association in 1918, and has since been on its board of directors and executive committee. In 1923 he was elected president of this flourishing organization of over 2,500 members, which position he now occupies.

At the meetings and conventions of these various associations Mr. Jones has contributed many formal and technical papers and addresses, and his experience has constituted him a real expert engineer in the science and practical art of gas production, distribution and handling, and he has often been called on to act as an expert in matters pertaining to the gas industry as consulting engineer. He is a member of all the Masonic bodies of Delaware, Knights Templar of Marion, and the Mystic Shrine of Columbus.

In 1889 Mr. Jones married Miss Sue E. Baker, daughter of Henry L. and Mary A. Baker, of Delaware. Mr. and Mrs. Jones are members of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, of which Mr. Jones was a vestryman for a number of years.

The only son is Thomas Clive Jones, Jr., born November 18, 1895. He is a graduate of the Delaware High School, and from there entered Case School of Applied Science in Cleveland, where he was graduated mechanical engineer in 1917. In May, 1917, he was selected as one of the young men of Delaware to join the Field Hospital Unit being organized there, became a sergeant, and later was transferred to the Field Artillery and after attending the Officers' Training School at Camp Taylor, at Louisville, Kentucky, was commissioned a lieutenant. Until the armistice was signed he was on duty as instructor in the Motor School at Camp Taylor. In 1919 he became associated with the Aluminum Company of America, as assistant to the supervisor of plants, with headquarters at Cleveland, and later was transferred to St. Louis, Missouri, as assistant to the sales manager of the Southwest territory.

WILLIAM DUNCAN MERRY. Representing a family that has been prominent in Noble County for a century, William Duncan Merry in his individual career has been a teacher, merchant and banker, and his official connection with the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Caldwell has been in an important degree responsible for the remarkable progress of this institution, one of the most prosperous banks in Southeastern Ohio.

Mr. Merry, who is president of the bank, was born on a farm near Sarahsville, Noble County, August 1, 1867. His grandfather, Ambrose Merry, was born in New York in 1762, and in 1817 came West, overland, to Belmont County, Ohio, and in 1823 settled in Noble County. He was a farmer and stock raiser, entering Government lands in Center Township, and was one of the influential pioneers who permanently impressed their character upon the county. He lived to the remarkable age of one hundred and six years, dying in 1868. As a boy he had experienced the conditions of the War of the Revolution, and he lived through three other wars, the War of 1812, the Mexican war, and saw the Civil war

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fought to an end. Ambrose Merry married Samantha Wickham, whose brother, William Wickham, was a Revolutionary soldier.

Calton Merry, father of the Caldwell banker, was born in Belmont County, Ohio, June 30, 1817, was reared from childhood in Noble County, and became a prosperous farmer in Center Township. He became one of the original republicans, was active in local affairs, and for many years was a deacon in the Christian Church. He died in 1878. His wife was Isabella Mitchell, who was born in New York State in 1825, her parents coming from Scotland and settling in Johnstown, New York. In 1825, soon after her birth, they started West by the Erie Canal, which had just been opened, and settled in Guernsey County, Ohio. Her father for many years was a mechanic at Cumberland. She died in 1894. Their son, William Duncan Merry, was the youngest child.

William Duncan Merry was educated in public schools, and at the age of sixteen obtained a teacher's certificate. He taught several years in the country districts, and from 1894 to 1900 served as school examiner of Noble County. He was granted a state teacher's life certificate. His time was divided between teaching school and farming until 1903. In the meantime his abilities had gained him a substantial reputation, so that he had no difficulty in obtaining credit to start him in the general mercantile business at Sarahsville in 1903. He was a merchant there until 1909, when he sold out and moved to the State of Washington, and became president of the Lake Stevens Trading Company, Incorporated, operating a large commissary store at a lumber camp on Lake Stevens, ten miles from Everett, Washington. Mr. Merry in 1911 returned to Caldwell, and in November of that year organized the Farmers & Merchants Bank. Hon. Martin B. Archer became its first president, and Mr. Merry the first cashier. The charter was granted in March, 1912, and the record of growth has been made in a little more than ten years. A fine structure was purchased for the home of the bank, the bank having the street level floor while the upper floor is used for offices. Mr. Merry has been president of the bank since 1916. The Farmers & Merchants Bank has enjoyed the greatest growth of any bank in the county. It started with a capital of $30,000, and the capital has been increased to $60,000, while in the same time $30,000 in cash dividends and $30,000 in stock dividends have been paid out of the accumulative surplus. A recent bank statement shows $60,000 surplus and undivided profits.

Mr. Merry as an individual and also through his bank took a prominent part in raising funds for the World war, acting as an immediate agency in the sale of Liberty Bonds and the raising of funds for Red Cross and other purposes. Mr. Merry was also directly instrumental in securing the first state aid good road in Noble County, a highway extending from Caldwell to Carlisle. However, his chief hobby in a civic way is education. Since 1914 he has served as president of the Caldwell School Board, and has also actively promoted lecture courses and chautauquas and other educational programs. He is financial secretary of the Methodist Episcopal Church, holding that office for the past ten years, and has put the church on a sound financial footing. He is also an active worker in Sunday school, and is a member of the Masonic Lodge and Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite at Columbus. He was chairman of the executive committee of Group 7 of the State Bankers Association.

May 4, 1892, Mr. Merry was united in marriage to Miss Mary Jane Young. She was born and reared at Sarahsville, and likewise represents an old and prominent family of Noble County. Her grandfather, Henry J. Young, was born in Rhode Island in 1819, son of William Young, who came as an early pioneer settler to Noble County in 1825. Henry J. Young became a very prosperous farmer. Benjamin Franklin Young, father of Mrs. Merry, was born February 9, 1849, in Center Township, and was a farmer there until 1908, when he removed to Knox County, Ohio, and since 1916 has lived on a farm in Muskingum County. Mrs. Merry is active in church work and social affairs, and was the organizer and is president of the New Era Club of Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Merry have three children, Susan Isabella, Adah Marguerite and William Donald. Both the daughters are members of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Susan Isabella is a graduate in music from Ohio University, did postgraduate work in the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music, and was a teacher until her marriage to Heber G. Slack. Mr. Slack is a real estate man at Zanesville. They have one son, James William Slack. Adah Marguerite is a graduate of Ohio University and was a teacher in the Caldwell High School. She is the wife of Earl G. Kegerreis, who was an auditor with the Ford Motor Company at Detroit for eight years. They have one son, Robert James Kegerreis. Mr. Kegerreis now owns and operates a prosperous baking business in Westerville, Ohio. William Donald is a student at Ohio University at Columbus, Ohio, registered in the premedical course.

HARRY E. RICHTER. Among the young men of Columbus who came out of school and went into banking and won for themselves conspicuous places in the financial life of the city, one of the most remarkable records is that of Harry E. Richter, who in a comparatively brief period of years rose from the duties of messenger boy to president of one of the old and substantial banks, the Capital City Bank. Since retiring from banking he has organized and directed a local industrial organization, the Domestic Engineering Company.

Mr. Richter was born in Columbus, where the family name has been prominently connected for a great many years. His father, the late Henry Richter, a noted building contractor, was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, in 1853, son of Charles and Dorothea (Geissler) Richter. His parents came to America in 1858, and after a brief residence at Philadelphia, moved in 1860 to Franklin County, Ohio, locating on a farm near Grove City. Though in this country only a short time, and like many other German immigrants, Charles Richter joined the Union army in the Civil war, enlisting in 1864 with the One Hundred Eighty-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry and serving until the close of hostilities.

Henry Richter acquired all his education in American schools. His home was on the farm until fourteen, when he was apprenticed to learn the carpenter's trade. Though furnishing his own tools, he was paid a salary of only eight dollars a month during his first employment. He was a journeyman carpenter until 1875, when he went into the building and contracting business on his own account at Columbus. His efficiency and thoroughness won for him a rapidly growing business, and he was one of Columbus' most public spirited citizens. Specializing in residence construction, he built nearly all the fine homes on South High Street. Some of the homes of the city that testify to his handiwork were those of John Siebert, William Bobb and Conrad Born, Jr. He also built part of the Lilley Company's building, was superintendent of construction of the Great Southern Hotel, the Carnegie Library and the Columbus Savings & Trust Building. Individually he became owner of much valuable property in Columbus and was vice president of the Columbus Structural

Steel Company, treasurer of the Union Building and Loan Association and director of the Ohio National Bank.

Frequently he was honored with positions of trust and emolument and was prominent in fraternal, social and business organizations. He was a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, was first president of the Master Carpenters' Association, and his fondness for outdoor life and the sports of hunting and fishing brought him membership in the Buckeye Fishing Club and similar clubs. He was a republican in politics, a member of the First German Independent Protestant Church, a trustee of the Home for the Aged and a generous contributor to this institution and other charitable organizations, taking a special interest in the work of Mercy Hospital and the Children's Hospital. His broad humanitarian spirit kept his energies and influence constantly invested in worthy causes and civic enterprises. In 1900 he was appointed a member of the Decennial Board of Columbus, serving a year and one-half and subsequently under the Governor Harmon administration he was made a member of the State Penitentiary Board. While on this board he became responsible for many improvements made in the State Penitentiary, both in its administration and its equipment and facilities. Henry Richter married Mary A. Trapp, who died in 1912. Henry Richter passed away in 1914.

Harry E. Richter was educated in the public schools, and on leaving the Central High School began his duties as a messenger in the old Capital City Bank. One of his qualifications even in those years was a very attractive personality. This, combined with his youthful enthusiasm, his faithful attention to duty and his evident talent for the banking business, brought him to the favorable attention of the president of the bank, the late R. R. Rickley. Mr. Richter went rapidly up the rounds of promotion and responsibility, and upon the death of Mr. Rickley the board of directors chose him as the next president. At that time he was one of the youngest bank executives in Ohio. After he had been president nearly two years the Capital City Bank was merged with the Citizens Trust & Savings Company. Mr. Richter continued in the service of the consolidated concern, and subsequently, when the company established a branch bank at the corner of High and Russell streets, Mr. Richter was given the place of manager of the branch. On August 1, 1923, he resigned his duties as a banker, after a continuous service of over twenty years. On retiring from the bank he established the Domestic Engineering Company, of which he is president. This company does a large business as dealer in and with facilities for installing industrial and domestic oil burners.

Mr. Richter is a Royal Arch Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias and Elks. Like others of the Richter family, he early in life developed musical talent, and for many years has enjoyed a place of local note as a baritone. For almost fifteen years he was a member of the choir of Holy Rosary Catholic Church, the rector of which was Rt. Rev. Monsignor Francis W. Howard, now Bishop of Covington, Kentucky. Although not a Catholic himself, Mr. Richter found in Father Howard one of his warmest personal friends. He was a member of the Ohio National Guard, Fourth Regiment, for six years. Mr. Richter married Miss Margaret Monroe, of Kenton, Ohio. Their four children are: Virginia, Harry E., Jr., Dorothy and James Robert.

Raymond Rush Warren, M. D. It is a proof of exceptional energy and endurance as well as great devotion that Dr. Raymond Rush Warren devoted fifty years of his life to the demands of an extensive country practice in Southeastern Ohio. His home is at Lower Salem, in Washington County, and for the past two or three years he has been relieving himself so far as possible of the heavier responsibilities of medical practice. Doctor Warren comes of a family of physicians, his father having been one of the honored men in this profession before him, and one of his sons is now regarded as the leading surgeon in the Lower Salem section of the county.

Doctor Warren's ancestors came to America on the first and second trips of the Mayflower, and were identified with some of the early history of old Massachusetts and New England. Doctor Warren was born in Liberty Township, Washington County, December 31, 1852, son of Dr. Justus M. and Belinda (Kidd) Warren, and grandson of James Warren, who was a youth of nine years when the Warren family came to Ohio and settled at Marietta in 1805. The Warrens moved out into the back country in the woods, making a home in what was then Washington County but subsequently became Noble County. For some years after the family settled here they reached their nearest market town at Marietta by a trail through woods. James Warren married Huldah Tuttle. Both were members of the Baptist Church.

Dr. Justus M. Warren was born near Caldwell, in Noble County. He read medicine in Doctor Brown's office at Macksburg, and though his death occurred when only forty-one years of age, at Germantown, Ohio, in 1867, he had given the full measure of his strength to a medical practice that took him to every part of Washington County. He served as a captain of militia during the Civil war, and was once elected justice of the peace, but finding that the duties interfered with his practice he resigned. He was an official member of the Baptist Church, a democrat, and a charter member of Masterton Lodge No. 429 of the Masonic Order. His widow, Belinda Kidd, survived him many years, passing away in 1900. Their old homestead in the country subsequently was acquired by their son, Dr. Raymond Rush Warren, who quite recently passed it on to the next generation, donating it to his daughters.

In the family of Justus M. Warren and wife were four sons and two daughters: Raymond Rush; J. J.; Whipple; C. W., a Washington County farmer who died in 1912; Ida, the deceased wife of Wilson Barnes; Jenny, wife of Charles Pierce, near Watertown; and Don U., of Marietta.

Raymond Rush Warren grew up in a rural district, attending country schools, was also a student in Denison University, read medicine in the office of Dr. W. T. Martin, and finished his medical education at the Baltimore Medical College. It was in the year 1874 that he started practice in his old home community, and he kept up the riding and driving over the hills of that section for nearly fifty years, doing the heaviest part of his work before the era of telephones, automobiles or good roads. Finally, in 1922, he moved to Lower Salem. For many years he also engaged in farming.

Doctor Warren married Miss Jane M. Dearth, daughter of John Dearth, of Louisville, Ohio. To their marriage were born six children. Two daughters now deceased were Mary E., wife of Peter Stickrath, and Erma B., whose husband was David Dutton. The granddaughter, Flossie Stickrath, who makes her home with Doctor Warren, completed her education in Muskingum College. The grandson graduated in dentistry from Ohio State University in 1923, and is now practicing at Ironton, Ohio. During the World war he served in the Ordnance Department, training at Camp Taylor, Kentucky.

There are four living children of Doctor Warren. Dr. J. M. graduated in dentistry from the State Uni-

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versity in 1914, and engaged in practice at Sebring, Ohio. He is a member of Masterton Lodge No. 429 of the Masonic order. The daughter, Miss Lola Warren, finished her musical education in Wallace School at Columbus, and is now teaching a class in music at Caldwell. The other daughter, Myra J., is a trained nurse at Ironton, Ohio.

Doctor Warren's physician son is Dr. John R. Warren. He graduated in medicine in 1917 at Ohio State University, and had nineteen months of hospital experience at St. Francis Hospital. A volunteer for the World war, he was commissioned a first lieutenant, was trained at Camp Gordon, Georgia, and had been assigned duty in Siberia when the war ended. For a time he practiced medicine at Santoy, Ohio, and is now located at Lower Salem. Like his father, he is a member of Masterton Lodge No. 429 of the Masonic order.

Hon. George White, who was chairman of the Democratic National Committee in 1920, became interested in politics many years ago, and among other services represented the Fifteenth Ohio District in Congress for three terms.

Mr. White, who has been a resident of Marietta for twenty years, is one of the prominent oil men of the state. He was born at Elmira, New York, August 21, 1872, son of Charles W. and Mary (Back) White. In 1874 his parents removed to Titusville, Pennsylvania, where his father in addition to the jewelry business had some interest in the oil fields. Charles W. White died in 1904, when about fifty-seven years of age. He was a republican in politics. As a boy of fifteen he had run away from home to join the Union army, but his father overtook him at Pittsburgh, spanked him and took him home.

George White is one of two children. His sister, Bertha, lives with their mother in Pittsburgh. George White was educated in the public schools of Titusville, and after leaving high school entered Princeton University, where he graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1895. At Princeton he was a student under Woodrow Wilson and Professor Daniels, and was strongly influenced by their views on the tariff, and early in his voting experience he became identified with the democratic party. After leaving university he taught school at Titusville a part of one year. His plans were for a career as a lawyer, but an incidental employment with the Devonian Oil Company at Pittsburgh led him into a new field.

In 1898 Mr. White with an Alaska "sour dough" accepted a grub stake and mushed it to Klondike, crossing the pass in November. He had more than the usual success in the gold fields, and remained there until 1900, in the fall of that year going to Dawson City. A current story is that his marriage to the girl of his choice depended upon the outcome of his efforts in the gold fields, and this was a greater spur to his enterprises than wealth for its own sake. Since his return to the United States Mr. White has been engaged in the oil business, and became a resident of Marietta in 1903. His field of operations in oil have covered Ohio, Oklahoma, West Virginia, Illinois and other important districts. He is a member of the firm of White & McKelvy, is secretary-treasurer of the Permian Oil & Gas Company, secretary of the Melrose Oil & Gas Company, and a director of the Peoples Banking & Trust Company of Marietta.

Mr. White became a member of the Ohio Legislature, representing Washington County, in 1905, serving until 1908. He was a member of the important committee on cities and also the committee on temperance. His membership on the former committee brought him in contact with such stirring personalities as Tom Johnson and Newton Baker of Cleveland. In 1908 Mr. White was candidate on the democratic ticket for Congress to represent the Fifteenth Ohio District. He was defeated that year by fifty-seven votes. In 1910 he was elected by a margin of 2,600 votes in a district normally republican by 6,600. He was reelected in 1912, but in 1914 was defeated by ninety-seven votes. In 1916 he was elected for a third term, and was again defeated in 1918. Mr. White was a member of the Sixty-second, Sixty-third and the Sixty-fifth Congresses, being a member of Congress during the World war period from 1917 to 1919. He was given membership on two of the great committees of the House, appropriations and later ways and means. Mr. White was at the Baltimore convention when Wilson was nominated in 1912. He has been democratic national committeeman from Ohio since 1920, and as chairman of the committee in 1920-1921 directed the campaign of that year. He was also Edwin Moore's right hand man in Governor Cox's pre-convention campaign. Mr. White is a trustee of the Presbyterian Church, is a Mason and Knight of Pythias and a member of the Columbus Athletic Club.

He married, September 25, 1900, Charlotte McKelvy, of Titusville, Pennsylvania, daughter of David McKelvy. Five children were born to their marriage: David McKelvy, now twenty-two years of age and a student in Princeton University; Mary Louise and Charlotte, who are preparing at Rosemary School for Smith College; George, Jr., and Robert.

Charles N. Replogle. In steel and machinery manufacturing circles in America the name of Charles N. Replogle has been a prominent one for many years. He rose from the ranks of a common workman to executive responsibilities during the many years he was with the Cambria Steel Company in Pennsylvania. During the past ten years he has discharged duties of the greatest executive responsibility with several well known manufacturing corporations, including one of the great war industries. He is now president of the Brightman Manufacturing Company of Columbus.

Mr. Replogle was born in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, October 26, 1870, son of Reinhart and Mary (Furry) Replogle. He is not the only member of his family to achieve distinction in the iron and steel industry. His brother, J. Leonard Replogle, is chairman of the Replogle Steel Corporation and president of the Vanadium Corporation of America.

In 1886, when Charles Replogle was sixteen years of age, the family moved to Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and they were living there during the great Johnstown flood which occurred three years later. At Johnstown Charles Replogle continued his education in the public schools, and during vacations worked in the plant of the Cambria Steel Company. He learned the trade of machinist, and filled various positions in the plant from nut and bolt tapper to foreman and executive duties. After several years as foreman he was asked to take charge of the laying out and installing of a forge shop for making car forgings. Following that he was made assistant superintendent of the structural and steel car department. This department was then building thirteen complete steel freight cars daily, which was increased during his administration to forty-five cars per day. The structural shop, under his supervision, had a capacity of 3,000 tons of fabricated structural steel per month.

Through a long continued experience and increasing responsibilities Mr. Replogle came to be recognized as one of the master minds in steel product manufacture. He was with the Cambria Steel Company continuously twenty-seven years. He finally resigned in September, 1913, and moved to Columbus, Ohio, to accept the duties of work manager for the

Ralston Steel Car Company, builders of steel freight cars. From work manager he was promoted to general manager, and then to vice president and general manager.

Mr. Replogle resigned from the Ralston Company in the fall of 1917 to identify himself with war work at Rochester, New York, where he became vice president in active charge of the plant of the Symington Forge Corporation, manufacturers of shells for the United States Army. In the summer of 1918, still representing the Symington Company, he went to Chicago and laid out and superintended the construction of a great forging shop, and designed the dies for the manufacture of shells in this plant. As vice president he had charge of operations in the Chicago plant, and continued his duties there until after the signing of the armistice.

Mr. Replogle returned to Columbus in 1919, and established and became general manager of the Columbus plant of the Timken Roller Bearing Company. That was his work for two years, until he resigned in July, 1921.

In December, 1922, Mr. Replogle was elected president and general manager of the Brightman Manufacturing Company, following the death of the former president, W. C. Waggoner, on November 27, 1922.

Mr. Replogle as a citizen is known for his public spirit and interest in civic affairs. He served two terms as a director of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, is now a director of the Columbus Young Men's Christian Association, and is a member of the Columbus Athletic Club, Columbus Country Club and Young Business Men's Club.

He married Miss Freda Haller, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania. Their two sons are Charles N., Jr., and Edward Haller.

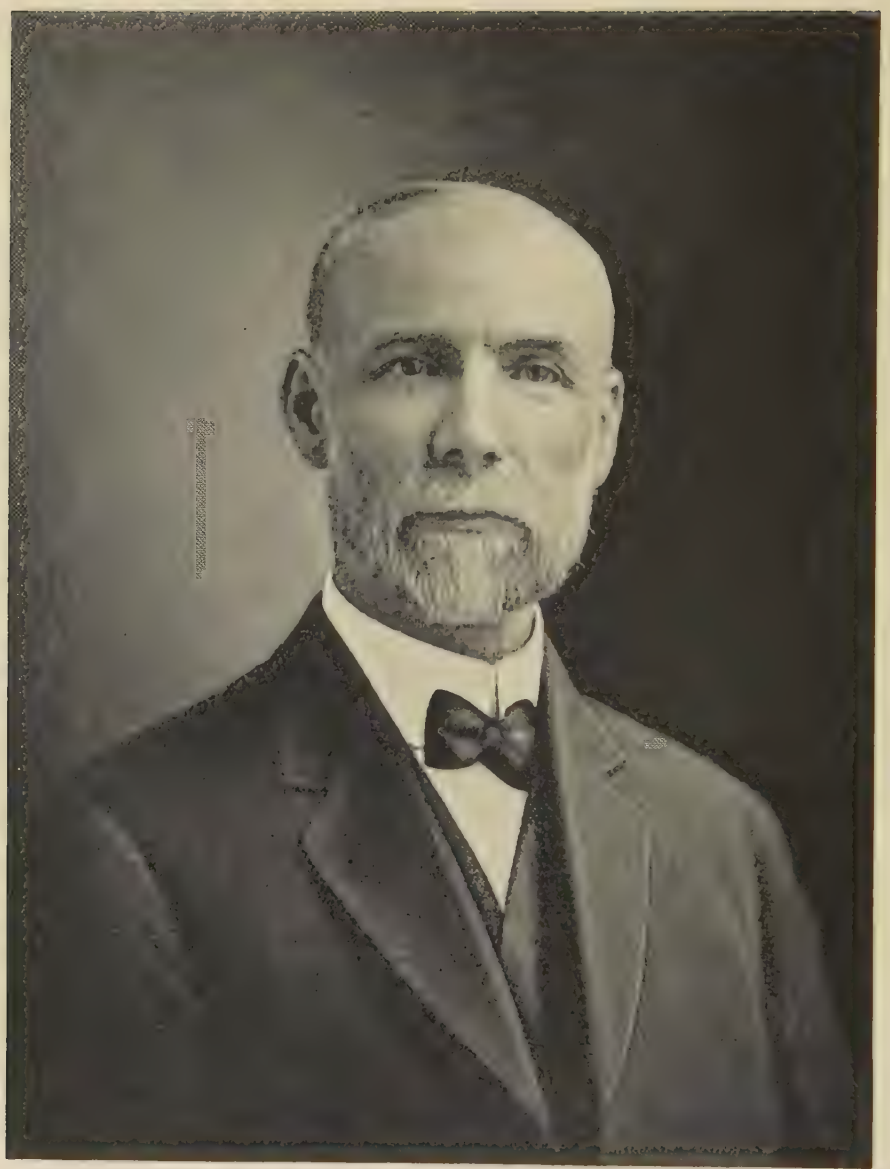
JEPTHA D. KNOWLES is editor and publisher of the Journal-Herald of Delaware, one of the most influential and successful democratic papers in Central Ohio. Mr. Knowles has been in the newspaper business thirty years. He represents a family of educators, his mother, Mrs. Mary S. Knowles, having been one of the best beloved teachers of Delaware County. Mr. Knowles himself taught school until a temporary appointment opened to him the field of newspaper work, in which he has manifested a real genius.

Mr. Knowles was born in Circleville, Pickaway County, Ohio, May 16, 1864, son of William and Mary (Burgett) Knowles. His paternal grandparents were William and Mary (Barr) Knowles, who came to Ohio from the State of Delaware. Jeptha Knowles has a sword presented to him by his grandfather, William Knowles, who in turn received it from his father, a soldier of the Revolution. The maternal grandparents were Jacob and Mary (Sapp) Burgett, who came from Virginia. William Knowles, the father, was born in the State of Delaware, and during his long residence in Ohio proved himself a leader in community affairs. He was a farmer by occupation. He was deeply interested in everything that concerned the educational and religious welfare of his community. He gave land for school purposes, also a site for a church, was township trustee, clerk, member of the school board, and treasurer. After leaving the farm he moved to Delaware in order to give his children superior educational advantages, and he became a member of the official board of the St. Paul Methodist Episcopal Church and acted as choir master. After the death of his first wife he met Miss Mary Burgett, who was a school teacher in his district, and they were married. She had taught school a number of terms before her marriage, and she continued teaching in public school and in Sunday school until she completed a record of forty-four years. At the age of eighty-one she had the vigor and appearance of a woman twenty-five years younger. Stricken with illness, she died April 20, 1923.

Jeptha D. Knowles owes much of his early schooling as well as the influences that shaped his character to his good mother. He attended public school in Delaware, graduating from the high school in 1881. Mr. Knowles put in altogether forty-seven terms as a teacher in country schools. Those terms were divided among six different school districts. At one time he was the highest paid teacher in the township. During the summer vacation of 1892 Mr. Knowles entered the office of the Delaware Gazette, in charge of the social department of the paper. The next year, during the World's Fair in Chicago, Carrol Jones, the city editor, visited the Fair, and Mr. Knowles carried double duties. Soon after his return Mr. Jones was stricken with typhoid fever and subsequently resigned, and was succeeded by Mr. Knowles, who was for eight and one-half years connected with the Gazette. Finding that his personal views had little opportunity for expression and desiring a place where he could make his experience and natural qualifications as a newspaper man count, he resigned from the staff of the Gazette and purchased the circulation of the old Delaware Herald. He managed this paper very successfully, and soon afterward he and Dr. F. M. Murray started the Journal and afterwards purchased the Herald, Mr. Knowles then only having half the amount required. Doctor Murray held a financial interest as partner in the business nine years. At that time they hyphenated the Delaware Journal and Delaware Herald, and the Journal-Herald was conducted under the partnership until 1909, when Doctor Murray withdrew. At that time Mr. Knowles organized a stock company, known as the Journal-Herald Publishing Company, owners of the Journal-Herald. Mr. Knowles is president and principal stockholder and also managing editor. H. L. Gilbert is vice president; H. E. Buck, treasurer, and R. H. Chubb, secretary. Mr. Knowles has made this a thoroughly successful newspaper. It is democratic in politics, and Mr. Knowles has developed its resources under the handicap of being in a normally republican county. He has been a staunch party man, though never a candidate for an elective office. However, he served as a member of the state pardoning board under the administrations of Governor Willis and Governor Cox.

In November, 1887, in Knox County, Mr. Knowles married Miss Ella Wright, of Rich Hill, Knox County, daughter of Henry and Permelia (Riggle) Wright. Her father was a farmer and active in local affairs, holding several township offices. Mrs. Knowles shares in the tastes and achievements of the family in educational affairs. She spent thirty-six years as a teacher, and only recently retired from active work. She graduated Bachelor of Arts from Ohio Northern University and holds the Master of Arts degree. Long before women could vote in Ohio she was appointed county school examiner, and at that time there were only three other women holding similar positions in the state. She also acted as secretary of the state examining board. Mr. and Mrs. Knowles are members of Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a life member of the Elks and the Moose, belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Eagles, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the Delaware Glee Club and Kiwanis Club.

DAVID KING PAIGE, of Akron, has rounded out a quarter of a century's service with the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York as its special



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agent. For five years he lead the honor roll of the company's representatives in Ohio, and was vice president of the Mutual's 250,000 Club. Mr. Paige is a native of Ohio, and his forefathers, in both the Paige and King lines, have been among the founders and benefactors of Akron, some of them being of state-wide distinction.

His grandfather, Judge David Raymond Paige, a native of Rutland County, Vermont, was an early lawyer in the Western Reserve of Ohio, serving with distinction on the bench. He died in 1876, and at that time was a director in the Lake Shore Railway Company. His wife was Nancy Kimball.

His son, David Raymond Paige, was born in Lake County, Ohio, April 8, 1844, was liberally educated, graduating from Union College at Schenectady, New York, in 1865. After some experience with a hardware firm at Cleveland he located at Akron, in December, 1867, as member of the firm Paige Brothers Company. Later he became the principal owner of the King Varnish Company, vice president of the Paige Tube Company at Warren, and was a member of Paige, Carey & Company, general contractors, with offices in New York City. This contracting firm was distinguished by some of the great engineering construction work in the last century, including the building of the Sodom Dam and part of the Croton Aqueduct for the New York City water supply, and numerous railway bridges and tunnels.

David Raymond Paige in 1874 was elected county treasurer of Summit County, being reelected in 1876, and was the first democrat ever so honored. From 1882 to 1884 he represented the Twentieth Ohio District in Congress. He died in New York in 1901.

The mother of David King Paige was Nellie Lewis King. She died December 20, 1878. Her grandfather was Judge Leicester King, one of the most conspicuous of the pioneer founders of Akron. Born at Suffield, Connecticut, May 1, 1789, and coming West, he was attracted by business prospects to Natchez, Mississippi, but unable to live in a society that permitted human slavery, he settled, in 1817, as a merchant, in Warren, Ohio, and in 1831, with Gen. Simon Perkins and Dr. Eliakim Crosby, laid out North Akron and constructed the Cascade mill race, giving Akron its start as a manufacturing center. He served seven years as associate judge of Trumbull County, as state senator from 1835 to 1839, and in 1842 was liberty candidate for governor and renominated in 1844. In 1848 he was liberty nominee for vice president, resigning in favor of Charles Francis Adams, the free soil candidate. He was a promoter of the Pennsylvania and Ohio Canal. He died September 19, 1856. His wife was the oldest daughter of his associate, Dr. Eliakim Crosby. Their oldest son, Henry W. King, should be recalled for his conspicuous service to education. He was born in 1815, and died in the midst of his life of usefulness, in 1857. He played a prominent part in promoting Akron's union school system, and in 1850 was elected secretary of state of Ohio, an office that then included the duties of commissioner of public schools.

David Leicester King, son of the pioneer Judge Leicester King, was born at Warren, Ohio, December 24, 1825. He graduated from Harvard in 1846, read law and engaged in practice in 1849 with his brother Henry, but in 1867 abandoned the law to organize the Akron Sewer Pipe Company, of which he became secretary. He was active in all public enterprises, especially the Valley Railway, a substantial monument to his indomitable perseverance. The public schools, free library, benevolent associations and Glendale Cemetery all received his fostering care. He served as president of the Cemetery Association after the resignation of President Perkins in 1880 until July, 1891. David L. King married, in 1849, Bettie, Washington Steele, who was a grand niece of Gen. George Washington, whose sister married Fielding Lewis, an ancestor of Bettie Washington.

David King Paige was born at Akron, May 20, 1872, was educated in public schools, in the Courtland Academy of Lakewood, New Jersey, and for two years in the University of Michigan. In 1892 he went to work as an apprentice in the Akron Varnish Company's plant, and for seven years was connected with the Whitman & Barnes Manufacturing Company. He took up general insurance in 1899, in which year he also became a representative of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, New York. Since 1910 he has specialized in life insurance and real estate, and still handles his own realty property. Mr. Paige is affiliated with the Royal Arch Chapter, Council Commandery, Consistory and Shrine. He is a member of Lafayette Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, and is a member of the City Club, Masonic Club, Shrine Club, University Club, Fairlawn Country Club and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is former director of the Akron Boy Scouts, the Akron Young Men's Christian Association, and was director in 1918-1920 and member of the executive committee of the Akron Chamber of Commerce. As a real estate man he started the Silver Lake Country Club district. He is an independent democrat in politics, and in 1916 was chosen a presidential elector, casting his vote for Mr. Wilson. He was the first democrat ever sent from Akron to the Electoral College.

He married, September 19, 1900, Miss Gertrude M. Wagner, daughter of John R. Wagner, of Akron. They have two children. Ellen Lewis King Paige attended Penn Hall at Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, Sweet Briar College at Sweet Briar, Virginia, and Garland Finishing School, Boston. John Wagner Paige is a student at Amherst College.

Mr. Paige is a man of more than ordinary optimistic nature, notwithstanding the fact that he has for more than thirty years been afflicted to an unusual degree physically. Moreover, with this handicap ever present, he none the less takes a deep interest in civic and other affairs of his home city.

Capt. Richard Thew, deceased, was for many years a prominent figure in the industrial life of Northern Ohio. The locality with which he was especially identified was Lorain, where he founded one of the largest of the industrial plants, the Thew Shovel Company, manufacturers of steam and electric shovels for ore and fuel docks, blast furnaces and steel works, mines and brickyards, and also shovels for general excavating purposes. Captain Thew was inventor of the shovel manufactured by the corporation of which he was for many years the active head. In his earlier years he was captain of a vessel on the Great Lakes, hence the title by which he was familiarly known.

Captain Thew was born in Marion County, Ohio, October 27, 1847, son of William P. and Susan (Davis) Thew. His father was born in Lincolnshire, England, a son of Richard Thew, and was twelve years of age when the family came to the United States, making the voyage across the Atlantic on a sailing vessel. Their journey was continued by boat on the Erie Canal and Lake Erie to Sandusky, Ohio. Richard Thew established the family home on a pioneer farm near New Haven, Huron County, and was a prosperous farmer in that locality for many years.

The mother of Captain Thew, Susan Davis, was born in Loudoun County, Virginia, a daughter of Zepheniah and Mary (Irey) Davis, who came from Virginia and settled in Marion County, Ohio, in early times. Zepheniah Davis was a carpenter and builder by vocation, and his father had worked on the erection of the original capitol in the City of Washington.

John Irey, a brother of Mrs. Davis, served in the command of General La Fayette in the war of the Revolution.

William P. Thew and Susan Davis were married in Marion County, where she died at the age of thirty-two, her son Richard being then four years of age. William P. Thew was a farmer in Marion County about sixty-five years, and died there in the late '80s.

Captain Richard Thew grew up on the home farm, attended the public schools of that locality, and his deep affection for his father led him to remain at home until he was twenty-six years of age. He then found an opportunity for the development of his exceptional mechanical ability as an employe of a threshing machine factory at Akron, Ohio. He was there a year, and then bought an interest in a hardware and machinery business at Caledonia, Marion County, and conducted it fourteen years. While at Caledonia he engaged in boat building, building a steamer to carry freight on Lake Erie, known as the William P. Thew, and this boat operated out of Lorain in the iron ore carrying trade for some years.

About that time Captain Thew became interested in the development of harvesting and binding machinery, and in 1899 moved to Cleveland, where he gave much attention to the developing and testing of machinery for the handling of iron ore. He established a plant at Lorain, and manufactured various kinds of machinery for the large companies. Subsequently he organized the Thew Automatic Shovel Company, becoming its vice president and manager, and under his personal guidance this business grew from a small plant employing about fifty men to an immense industry with an output known all over the world. Captain Thew for twenty-three years was active in the management of this business, finally retiring to divide his time between his beautiful home at 1422 West Erie Street, Lorain, and his winter home in Tulare County, California.

Captain Thew organized and was vice president and manager of the Lorain Casting Company, was president of the Lorain Banking Company, and in the development of modern harvesting machinery it should be recorded that he aided materially in the development of the first efficient knotter head used in the grain binding operatives of harvesting machines. Captain Thew owned an estate of 500 acres, known as Sunny Cove, in Tulare County, California, with 165 acres devoted to the growing of oranges, grape fruit and other citrus products. He made a trip to Alaska in 1901, and became interested in some mining ventures in the Nome district.

Captain Thew, who was a staunch republican, was president of the Board of Trustees of the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Lorain, and was a member of the Lorain Country Club.

On October 14, 1873, he married Miss Sarah Priscilla Lawrence, who was born and reared in Marion County, Ohio, daughter of Richard and Sarah Lawrence, her father being a minister of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Thew died July 6, 1914. She was the mother of three daughters. Edna Lawrence, the oldest, was active in charitable work in Cleveland, and died of tuberculosis at the age of twenty-four. The second daughter, Susan Priscilla, spends much of her time in outdoor pursuits at the home in Tulare County, California. Carrie Belle is the wife of James R. Fauver, of Tulare County. Captain Thew on November 28, 1918, married Mrs. Anna L. (Pheley) Lawrence, widow of Schuyler Lawrence, a brother of the captain's first wife. Mrs. Thew was born and reared in the State of New York.

William Alfred Walls, superintendent of schools of the City of Kent, has made education his life work, and has achieved a notable record as a teacher and school administrator.

He was born at Ruraldale, Ohio, September 10, 1882, son of James and Mary E. (Elliott) Walls. His father was born in England and his mother at Ironton, Ohio. They were married at Steubenville. James Walls spent his active career as a Methodist minister. William A. Walls was liberally educated, graduating with his Bachelor's degree from Mt. Union College at Alliance, Ohio. He received the Master's degree at Columbia University in 1913, and has also done graduate work at the University of Chicago. Mr. Walls took up teaching before he had finished his education, and he came to Kent in 1907 as principal of the high school. He filled that office until 1910, and for five years, from 1910 to 1915, was superintendent of the Kent City schools. He was next located at Martin's Ferry, Ohio, as city superintendent of the public schools from 1915 to 1919. In the last year of the World war Mr. Walls became one of the Young Men's Christian Association workers, and was assigned to duty with the Seventy-ninth Division of the American Expeditionary Forces. He received his honorable discharge in July, 1919, and from November, 1919, until June, 1920, was employed by the Federal Board for Vocational Education. In 1920 Mr. Walls was called back to Kent as superintendent of the public schools, and in the spring of 1923 was reelected for another three-year term. The city drew heavily upon his experience and his knowledge of school architecture in the construction of the magnificent Roosevelt High School Building, completed in 1922. This is one of the finest high school buildings in the state, containing a large auditorium, gymnasium, cafeteria and thirty classrooms.

Mr. Walls has interested himself in every phase of educational work. He teaches a college class of young people in the Methodist Church, and is a local Methodist minister. He has served as chairman of the finance and estimating committee of the church, and has been a lay delegate to the annual conference and also a delegate to the General Conference. He is an independent in politics, and is a member of the Masonic Lodge and Royal Arch Chapter at Kent and the Knights Templar Commandery at Akron, and he organized and was the first president of the Rotary Club. He is a member of the chamber of commerce, the Northeastern Ohio Teachers' Association, the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the National Educational Association. He belongs to the superintendent's section of the National Educational Association, the national society for the study of education. He is unmarried, and socially is a member of the Silver Lake Country Club and Wranglers Club.

Edward L. Taylor, Jr. Representing two of the older families in Franklin County, the Taylors and Livingstons, Edward L. Taylor, Jr., in his work as a lawyer at the Columbus bar through a third of a century, with eight years in Congress as representative of the Twelfth Ohio District, has added some important new distinctions to the worthy family tradition in Ohio. Mr. Taylor is general counsel for one of the largest oil refining and distributing companies in the country, the Pure Oil Company.

The history of the Taylor family is traced back in unbroken line to the early years of the seventeenth century. About 1612 a branch of the family moved from Scotland to the north of Ireland. In 1722 Matthew Taylor came to America and settled among other Scotch-Irish people in the colony at Derry, New Hampshire. After the close of the French and English war in 1763, when the English dominion was extended over Canada, a number of pioneers from the original English colonies moved into the New English territory. Matthew Taylor, a son of the

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original settler Matthew, about 1764, with his wife and children, settled in Nova Scotia. One of the children was Robert Taylor, who was born in 1759. He grew up at Truro, Nova Scotia, where in 1781 he married Mehetabel Wilson. Robert Taylor in 1806 brought his family to Ohio, and after two years at Chillicothe moved to Franklin County and in 1807 built a house on the west bank of Walnut Creek in what is now Truro Township. This was the first frame house in that part of the country. He lived there until his death in 1828. Truro Township in Franklin County was named for the old community of Nova Scotia from which the Taylor family came.

David Taylor, a son of Robert Taylor, was born at Truro, Nova Scotia, July 24, 1801, and he grew up at the old homestead in Franklin County. In 1826 he married Nancy T. Nelson, and then established a home near his father's old place and in 1858 moved to the City of Columbus, where he lived until his death in 1889. The third wife of David Taylor was Margaret Livingston. They were married in May, 1836.

She was the oldest daughter of Judge Edward Chinn Livingston, and a granddaughter of Col. James Livingston. Col. James Livingston was born in New York State, was a lawyer by profession, and was practicing law in Quebec when the Revolutionary war began. He left Canada and, returning to his native state, became a colonel in the Continental line and served in the Quebec expedition under Gen. Richard Montgomery. It was at his suggestion that the Township of Montgomery in Franklin County was so named. Colonel Livingston after the war, as one of the patriots who had returned from Canada to espouse the cause of independence, was given a grant of land in what was known as the "refugee" tract in Ohio, then the Northwest Territory. His land was in Franklin County and included a portion of the present City of Columbus. The Livingston farm embraced the present Livingston Park as well as additional land lying along Livingston Avenue which was named for Judge Edward C. Livingston, who came to Ohio in 1800. He was a graduate of Union College, New York, and was an able lawyer, but never active in politics, though he was associate judge in Franklin County from 1821 to 1829. His home was in that section where the original Livingston farm was located, and on the west bank of Alum Creek. Of the same New York State family were Philip and Robert Livingston, signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Edward L. Taylor, Sr., second son of David and Margaret (Livingston) Taylor, was born in Franklin County, March 20, 1839, and was graduated from Miami University in 1860. He began the study of law in Columbus, and when the Civil war broke out he served as a private in a volunteer company, and in 1862 raised the company and was commissioned an officer of the Ninety-fifth Ohio Infantry. He participated in the siege of Vicksburg, but at its close was incapacitated for further duty and resigned his commission. He was admitted to the bar in 1862, and for a great many years was one of the strong and able lawyers of the capital city. He was a staunch republican, but never consented to be a candidate for any important political office. On July 14, 1864, he married Catherine Noble Myers, a granddaughter of Col. John Noble of Franklin County.

Edward L. Taylor, Jr., third son of Edward L. Taylor, was one of the five children of his parents, was born in Columbus, August 10, 1869, and was reared in that city. He graduated from the Columbus High School in 1887 and studied law in his father's office. He was admitted to the bar in December, 1891, and for a number of years was associated with his father and his brother in law practice. In the general election of 1899 he was elected prosecuting attorney of Franklin County, defeating Albert Lee Thurman, a grandson of the democratic statesman, Allen E. Thurman. He was reelected in 1901 and in the fall of 1904 was elected to represent the Twelfth Ohio District in the Fifty-ninth Congress, taking his seat March 4, 1905. He was reelected for three successive terms, serving the Sixtieth, Sixty-first and Sixty-second Congresses. He was regarded as one of the ablest members of the Ohio delegation in Congress during the early years of the present century, and he was elevated to membership on the appropriation committee. In 1912 he was defeated for reelection, and since then has devoted his time and abilities to his law practice.

His law firm handled the organization of the Pure Oil Company, and in 1921 Mr. Taylor, in association with Mr. A. C. Harvey, became general counsel for the corporation. Within a few years this organization has expanded its facilities until it is one of the greatest oil producing and oil refining concerns in the world.

Mr. Taylor is a member of the Presbyterian Church. He has attained his thirty-third, supreme honorary, degree in Scottish Rite Masonry, and was potentate of the Columbus Shrine in 1908-1909. He is a member of the Columbus Club. On January 4, 1894, he married Miss Marie Agnes Firestone, of Columbus. Her father, the late Clinton D. Firestone, was for many years president of the Columbus Buggy Company, a great establishment known for many years as the carriage and vehicle factory, and later a pioneer establishment for the manufacture of automobiles.

Charles Wells Neely. To the credit of this well known and popular citizen of Columbus is a record of half a century of continuous service in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, the last thirty-one years of his service having been in the capacity of passenger-train conductor on the Panhandle division, between Pittsburgh and Columbus. Age limitations set by this great railroad corporation led to the retirement of Mr. Neely early in the year 1924, under the provisions of the retirement and pension system of the Pennsylvania lines, and on the 1st of March, 1924, his name was placed on the honor roll of the corporation which he has served so long, faithfully and efficiently, his being secure place in the confidence and good will of officers, employes and patrons of the great railway system. He has been active in the councils and work of the Order of Railroad Conductors, and also in connection with the voluntary relief system of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Mr. Neely was born at Paris, Washington County, Pennsylvania, December 27, 1858, and is a son of Robert and Aleatha (Owens) Neely. He is a scion of one of the sterling old Scotch-Irish families that have for many generations been established in Western Pennsylvania. His father became a successful general merchant at Burgettstown, Washington County, and it was there that the subject of this review gained the greater part of his early education, by attending the public schools of the period. At the age of fourteen years Mr. Neely initiated his association with the Pennsylvania Railroad by assuming the dignified prerogatives of water-boy at Burgettstown, his function being to carry water for the quenching of the thirst of laborers on the Pittsburgh division. His advancement in the fleeting years was worthily won through loyalty and efficiency, and his connection with the Pennsylvania continued without interruption until his final retirement in March, 1924. From the position of water-boy he was advanced to that of section workman, in which capacity he worked two years, and on the 4th of June, 1877, he was made a freight

brakeman. His promotion thereafter was consecutive, and finally, on the 16th of January, 1893, he was assigned to the position of passenger conductor on the Panhandle division. It was about this time that he established his home in Columbus, and he continued in this service until his final retirement. A fine courtesy, becoming dignity and poise, and unvarying effort to meet the requirement of the traveling public made Mr. Neely the ideal passenger conductor, and in connection with his official service he won hosts of loyal friends, including many men of prominence and influence. His brother, James D., who died May 17, 1922, was for many years station master at the Columbus Union Station. His brother John L. is traffic manager for a large industrial corporation in the City of Pittsburgh, and Ernest, the youngest of the brothers, is connected with one of the city departments of Pittsburgh. The venerable mother of Mr. Neely has long survived her husband and now, at the age of ninety-one years (1924), she maintains her home in Columbus, with alert mind and much of physical vitality, and with the gracious cheerfulness that makes her appreciation of life and its meaning.

In Columbus, on the 12th of January, 1887, Mr. Neely was united in marriage to Miss Melissa Coffey, who was born and reared at Newcomerstown, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, a representative of a sterling pioneer family of that section of the state. Mr. and Mrs. Neely have a beautiful home at 77 East Northwood Avenue, the modern house having been erected by them. Here they delight to extend welcome and hospitality to their many friends, including the young folk as well as those of their own generation.

Peter W. Eigner, president of the Kent National Bank, president of the Kent Building Company and chairman of the Platting and Planning Commission of Kent, was born near Elyria, Ohio, on February 1, 1868, of German parentage, his mother being Kresens (D'Meister) Eigner, of Munich, Germany, and his father, Peter W. Eigner, a former member of the family of that well known name of the same city.

On August 15, 1889, he married Mary L. Park, of Montrose, Pennsylvania, daughter of John J. and Julia (McCahill) Park. Mr. and Mrs. Eigner have two children, Park W. and Kresens Lucile, both living in Kent. The daughter married John Benjamin Gillespie, Jr., and they have one son, John Benjamin Gillespie III.

Mr. Eigner's earlier business experience was gained through his connection with the jewelry business, with which he was engaged for many years in Kent. He is perhaps better known to the jewelry fraternity at large through his contributions of a literary character to the technical branches of that business. Following his high school education in Elyria, Ohio, he acquired a highly technical education at an European horological institute located at Dresden, Germany. His adventure in the jewelry field and the watchmaking business was largely the result of this technical education so derived.

Mr. Eigner is the fourth president of the Kent National Bank following the presidency of three generations of the Kent family, the first being Zenas Kent, who died in 1865; the second, Marvin Kent, who held this post from 1865 until his death in 1908, and the third, William Stewart Kent, who filled this position from 1908 until his death in January, 1923.

This bank is one of the oldest banks in the Western Reserve, having been founded in 1849. It was first named the Franklin Bank of Portage County. In 1865 it was incorporated into a national bank, and since that time has been operated under a national charter. This bank has a capital of $100,000 and deposits of over $1,700,000. The other officers at the present time are John G. Getz, vice president; G. J. Stauffer, cashier, and C. E. Hinds, assistant cashier.

William Emory Smyser has been head of the English department in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware for over twenty years. Many of the alumni of this period are indebted to him for the cultivation of literary tastes and intimate acquaintance with the masterpieces of English literature. For a number of years Mr. Smyser has also been one of the administrative officers of the university, having held the post of dean since the World war. He was also a prominent educational leader in college war work.

He was born in Baltimore County, Maryland, September 17, 1866, son of Rev. Martin L. and Lydia Ann (Hoffman) Smyser. The Smysers came to the United States from Germany in 1731, when Matthias Smyser, the founder of the family in America, settled in York County, Pennsylvania. Professor Smyser's great-grandfather was Jacob Smyser, and his grandfather was John Jacob Smyser, who married Elizabeth Diehl. On the maternal side Professor Smyser is a descendant of William Hoffman, who came to the United States in 1765 from Germany. Locating on Gunpowder Falls, he built there the first paper mill and manufactured the first paper in Maryland. The Hoffmans have been interested in paper manufacture there ever since until the present generation. The maternal grandfather of Professor Smyser was William H. Hoffman, a grandson of the pioneer paper mill owner, and who as a member of the Maryland Legislature during the Civil war and later of the Maryland Constitutional Convention contributed a potent influence in preventing the secession of Maryland from the Federal Union and outlawing slavery from the state. Lydia Hoffman was born on the old homestead where her father, her grandfather and her son were likewise born. Rev. Martin L. Smyser was a native of Pennsylvania, early entered the ministry of the Methodist Church, and did most of his work in Pennsylvania, where he was a member of the Central Pennsylvania Conference. He was pastor of churches at Bellefonte, Berwick, Bloomsburg, Williamsport and Chambersburg, and was superintendent of the Danville and Altoona districts.

William Emory Smyser was educated in the public schools of Pennsylvania, attending school where his father was located as pastor. He did some preparatory work in Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and then entered Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut. He was graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1889, and received his Master of Arts degree in 1892. Graduate work in Johns Hopkins University during 1890-91 was credited toward his Master degree at Wesleyan. The honorary degree of Doctor of Letters was conferred upon him by the University of Chattanooga in 1916.

Professor Smyser's record as a teacher covers a period of over thirty years. He was teacher of Latin in Dickinson Seminary in Pennsylvania during 1889-1890; instructor of English in Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois, in 1891-1892; professor of English at DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, from 1892 to 1900, and since 1900 has been professor of English in Ohio Wesleyan University. He acted as registrar of the university from 1904 to 1920, and since 1917 has been dean of the college. For several summer sessions he was professor of English at Ohio State University.

Dean Smyser was director of the Ohio Students' War Service campaign in the summer of 1918, and was assistant educational director of the Sixth District Students' Army Training Corps during the months of October and November, 1918. Doctor

Frederick A. Hinkel.

Smyser is author of "Spiritual Truth in the Poetry of Tennyson," published in 1906, and has contributed a number of essays and literary criticisms to magazines and educational publications. He has been lecturer in many teachers' institutes. He is a member of the Modern Language Association of America, the American Association of University Professors, and is a Delta Kappa Epsilon and Phi Beta Kappa.

June 24, 1890, Doctor Smyser married Elizabeth Arbuckle Craig, of Middletown, Connecticut, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Arbuckle) Craig. Her parents were married in Scotland, and on coming to the United States located at Middletown, where her father was in the marble and granite monumental business. Doctor and Mrs. Smyser have four children, William Craig, Dorothy Elizabeth, Hamilton Martin and Margaret Lydia. William Craig was in the World war, being one of the Ohio Wesleyan students selected for service in the Hospital Unit organized by Dr. Floyd Miller at Delaware, which became a part of the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Field Hospital and performed some of the most exacting service required of any of the field hospitals in France during the last year of the war. A more complete account of this hospital unit is given in the sketch of Dr. Floyd Miller elsewhere in this publication. William Craig Smyser is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, and is now an instructor in Ohio State University. He married Frances Holt, a native of London, Ohio.

William Hamel Dial for nearly half a century was an impressive figure in the business life of Washington Court House. His activities were in the field of real estate, insurance and banking, and closely allied him with the progressive enterprises designed to improve and promote the welfare of the entire locality.

He was born in Clermont County, Ohio, September 26, 1847, son of Joseph S. and Lucina (Weaver) Dial. His father died in 1896 and his mother, in 1904. Mr. Dial grew up in Southern Ohio, attending common schools at Clermont until the age of twelve, and finished his education in a private school at Amelia, Ohio, and in a commercial college at Cincinnati.

His career after leaving school brought him into the service of William Summers & Company at Cincinnati, but in 1873 he was appointed manager of a large firm in Clermont County. Leaving that, in February, 1875, he located at Washington Court House, and through all the years following was identified more or less actively with the real estate, insurance and loan business. This business is now conducted by the firm W. H. Dial & Son, his son being the surviving member.

Mr. Dial was one of the founders and the vice president of the Washington Court House Savings Bank, which has a capital of $50,000 and resources of nearly $1,000,000. He was the first president of the Washington Court House Board of Trade, a member of the Washington Court House Improvement Company, and he laid out the Millwood addition to the town. He helped found the Peoples Loan & Building Company, and was one of the founders of the new Citizens Phone Company.

Mr. Dial was a member of the Washington Automobile and the Fish and Game clubs. He was a trustee of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, was a democrat, and for two terms township clerk. Fraternally he was affiliated with Masonic Lodge No. 107, Royal Arch Chapter No. 103, Fayette Council No. 100, a past commander of Garfield Commandery, Knights Templar, and a member of Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine, the thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Consistory, and for over twenty years held the office of treasurer in various Masonic bodies.

Mr. Dial married Miss Susan T. Foster at Williamsburg, Ohio. She died at Washington Court House, July 14, 1909. By this marriage there were three children: Sarah F.; Georgie May, who died in 1908; and John F., who was born in 1880, and is now in the real estate and loan business. John F. married Ruth Stuckey, of Washington Court House, in 1911, and they have a son, William Richard, who is a pupil in the Washington Court House grade schools and has shown decided talent in music and in mechanics.

Mr. W. H. Dial married on October 12, 1912, Georgia Holcomb for his second wife. She was educated in common schools in Perry County, and was born October 21, 1861. She is active in Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, and is a member of the Eastern Star.

Frederick Andrew Hinkel. Among successful men whose achievements seem to proceed directly out of individual force of character and persistent work and ambition, Frederick A. Hinkel, of Hamilton, deserves particular mention. Mr. Hinkel is a prosperous attorney, was in educational work for some years, and he gained his own education and training for life entirely through his own efforts and earnings.

He was born in Darrtown, in Butler County, Ohio, December 4, 1886, son of Frederick A. and Mary Etta (Watt) Hinkel, his mother being a daughter of Alexander and Caroline Watt, whose ancestors settled in the State of New Jersey previous to the American Revolution. Frederick A. Hinkel, Sr., was a Butler County farmer, son of Charles Hinkel, a Mexican war veteran, and Caroline Hinkel, daughter of Capt. Michael Baldwin of Trenton. He served as justice of peace of Milford Township. He died when his son Frederick, Jr., was only two years old. The widow was left almost penniless, and after a brave struggle reared her four young sons, Walter, William, Frank and Frederick A. The son Frank is now deceased.

Frederick A. Hinkel lived with his mother in the rural districts at Darrtown and attended for eight full terms the common schools there. He passed the Boxwell examination which entitled him to free tuition in any public high school of the state. Darrtown had no high school, nor was there any within a radius of six miles. This forced him to seek further training elsewhere. He worked on farms for wages, and when he was fifteen he left home with $78. At Lebanon, Ohio, he entered the university, taking courses corresponding to the high school curriculum, and he continued in college by earning his living as a waiter and as clerk at the St. Clair Hotel. He traveled in summer for the university, soliciting students and speaking at teachers' institutes. Having done very satisfactory work at Lebanon, he secured a common school teacher's certificate in Butler County, and at the age of eighteen was employed to teach the primary room of the five grades of the Darrtown schools, where he himself had received his first instruction. He taught there a year, and then, returning to Lebanon, began the course leading to the degree Bachelor of Philosophy. However, he did not remain consecutively, since he stopped at intervals to earn more money. He was hired to finish out a three months' term of school near Blanchester, Ohio, a country school remote from town and which had been abandoned by several other teachers unable to control the pupils. It was there that Mr. Hinkel earned a reputation as an able executive, since he completed the term without struggle and two of his pupils passed the Patterson examination. After that he came to Hamilton and, taking the high school examinations, secured a high school certificate and was then elected superintendent of public schools of

Somerville, Ohio. He was then only twenty years of age, and while there he was the cause of reestablishing the second grade high school and his policies led later to the enlargement of the district, the erection of a new school building and the establishing of a first grade district. He acted as superintendent at Somerville two years. At the end of the third year he returned to the Lebanon University, pursuing the summer course in 1909 and at the end obtaining the degree Bachelor of Philosophy. During the summer of 1910 he was a special student in Ohio State University, and in the fall of that year was elected superintendent of schools of Israel Township in Preble County, including the charge of the high school at Morning Sun. In the district he had under his supervision some fifteen teachers. He was there two years, and at the end of the first year attended a summer session of Miami University, and in the fall of 1912 returned to Miami University and in the spring of 1913 was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Mr. Hinkel in 1919 was granted a state life high school certificate, qualifying him through life to hold any position in the public school system of Ohio.

In November, 1913, Mr. Hinkel was elected mayor of the City of Hamilton. He was then twenty-six years of age, the youngest mayor the city has ever had. He gave a clean and capable administration of two years, having had charge of the city following the disastrous flood of 1913, which included the rehabilitation work of the city. As mayor he was a staunch supporter of the policies which led to the establishment of the Miami Valley Conservancy district. At the end of his term he ceased political activity and moved with his family to Cambridge, Massachusetts, where he took up the study of law in the Harvard Law School. He was in Harvard from 1916 to 1918, and in the fall of 1918 entered the Cincinnati Law School, taking special work in Constitutional Law under Hon. Judson Harmon. Mr. Hinkel was admitted to the Ohio bar in June, 1919, and during the past five years has enjoyed an exceptionally successful career as a practicing attorney at Hamilton. He is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the Harvard Law School Association and belongs to Sigma Alpha Epsilon, the largest of college fraternities, and the Phi Delta Kappa. While at Miami University he was a member of the debating team which defeated Denison University that year, and in recognition of his debating ability he was elected a member of the Tau Pappa Alpha oratorical fraternity. He is president of the congregation of the United Presbyterian Church of Hamilton, one of the largest and most influential congregations in the county. He is also affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

June 24, 1915, Mr. Hinkel married Miss Lena R Magaw, of Morning Sun, Ohio, daughter of James A. and Grizella C. Magaw. Mrs. Hinkel's ancestors, the Magaws, came from South Carolina about one hundred years ago, moving to the country northwest of Ohio River as a protest against the institution of slavery. Her father was an Ohio soldier in the Civil war, and for a number of years before his death was a prominent member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mrs. Hinkel since her marriage has been identified with the social life of Hamilton, and has also exerted an active influence for educational improvement there. She and Mr. Hinkel have three children: James Magaw, born in 1916; Mary Kathryn, born in 1920, and Marjorie Lee, born in 1923.

Samuel C. Bissler, proprietor of a furniture store and undertaking business at 12-14 East Main Street at Kent, is a well known citizen of Portage County, and nearly all his business career has been passed in that section of the state.

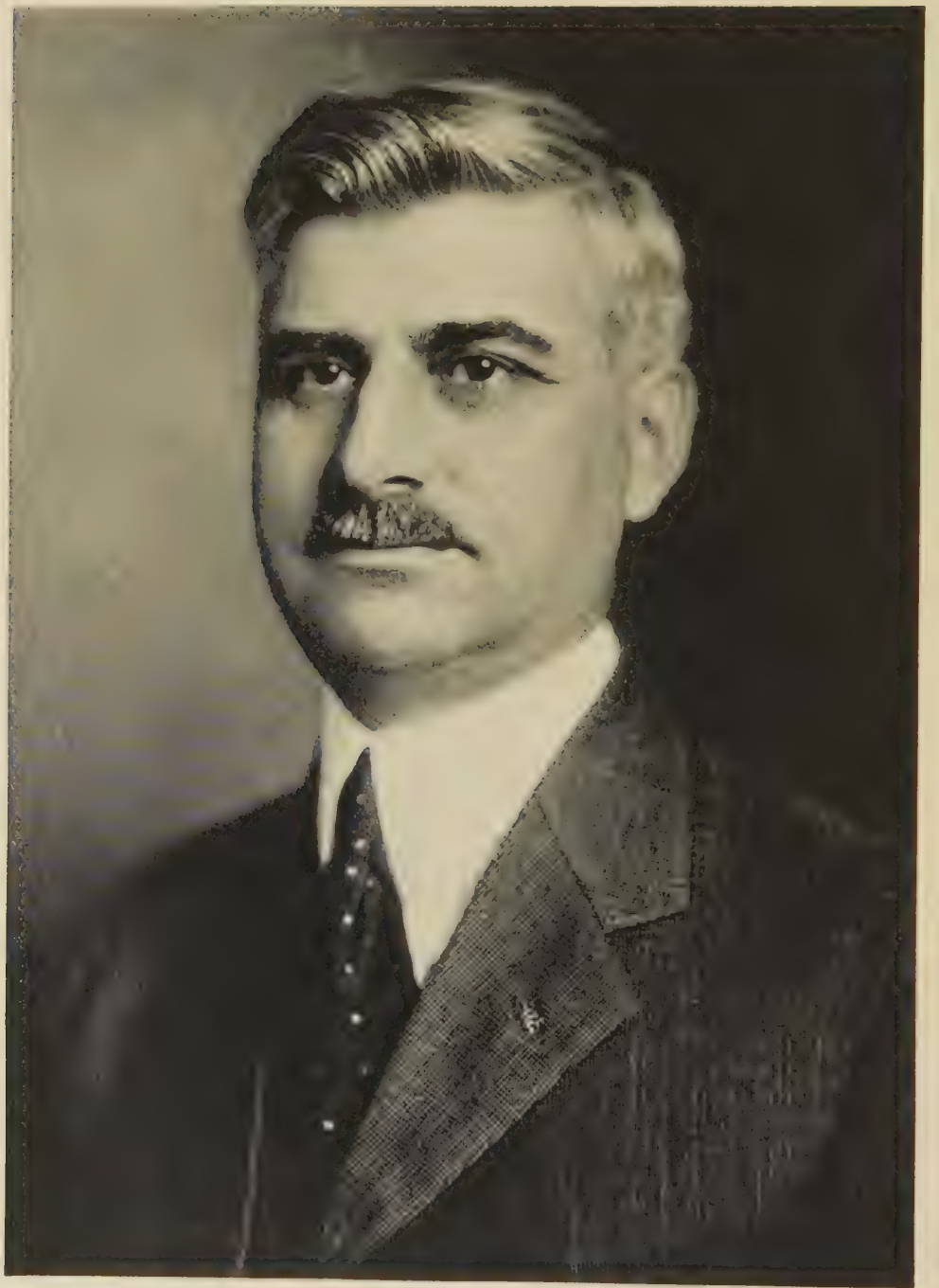
He was born in Stark County, Ohio, November 20, 1871, son of Martin and Louisa (Wise) Bissler, His parents were natives of Germany, and his grandfathers, John Bissler and Joseph Wise, brought their families to Ohio in early days. Martin Bissler after his marriage lived on a farm east of Hartville, in Stark County, but in 1873 moved to Suffield Township, Portage County, where he and his wife bought farms of sixty and forty-five acres, a mile apart, both in the Bissler name. Martin Bissler died there in 1885, and his widow survived until April 1, 1905, Their children were: Katherine, of Kent, widow of Valentine May; Jacob and John, both of Brimfield Township; Barney, of Suffield Township; Charles, of Akron; Samuel C.; and one daughter and three sons now deceased.

Samuel C. Bissler, the youngest son of the family, grew up on the farm in Portage County, attended the district schools, and at the age of seventeen he began his career of work, though he remained at home assisting on the home place for several years. At the age of twenty he moved to Kent, where he was employed as a teamster and also did some farming, and in October, 1892, became an employe of I. L. Herriff in the furniture and undertaking business. He was identified with the Herriff establishment for twenty-one years, assuming an increasing share of responsibilities in the management of business. Finally he traded his town property for a 162-acre farm in Brimfield Township, and personally conducted the farm for eighteen months. Selling out, he returned to Kent with the purpose of reengaging as a partner of Mr. Herriff. Shortly afterward Mr. Herriff fell ill and died a few years later. Soon after that Mr. Bissler bought the Burt Eckert livery business and entered into the undertaking business, and the following February he disposed of the livery interests and has since continued in business as a furniture dealer and funeral director. He has one of the successful business undertakings of his home town.

On November 8, 1893, Mr. Bissler married Miss Clara Keener, who was born in Suffield Township of Portage County, daughter of Godfried Keener, a native of Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Bissler have four children, Ira S., Thelma Marie, Louise and Robert. Ira S., now associated with his father in business, married Mary Armstrong and has two sons, named Jerry and Dick. Thelma Marie is the wife of Rexford L. Sampsell, of Kent.

Mr. Bissler has served two terms on the City Council of Kent. He and his family are Catholics. In politics he is a democrat, and he has served as a trustee of the Knights of Columbus, is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Kent Lodge No. 1376, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a Rotarian, and a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Twin Lakes Golf Club.

James A. Beer, M. D. That Columbus has a remarkably low death rate is an accepted fact, and this immunity from epidemics has been secured and maintained through the efficiency of the city's department of health, at the head of which at the present time is Dr. James A. Beer, whose professional life has been practically spent in work of this department. Doctor Beer was born in Ashland County, Ohio, May 5, 1879, a son of Richard Beer, also born in Ashland County, and a grandson of Rev. Thomas Beer, of Eastern Pennsylvania, who became a pioneer of Ohio. After many years of earnest and self-sacrificing work as a Presbyterian divine he died at the advanced age of eighty-five years. He aided in



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founding Wooster University, and he was one of the widely-known and beloved men of the church. Richard Beer spent his life in agricultural work, and died on his farm in Ashland County at the age of seventy-four years.

Doctor Beer was reared amid rural surroundings, and farm labor developed him during his boyhood. Given educational advantages, he was graduated from Ohio State University in 1903, with the degree of Bachelor of Science, and received his medical degree in 1906 from the Ohio Medical College, now the Medical Department of the State University. Practically ever since securing his degree he has been connected with the health department of Columbus, in 1908 being placed at the head of its laboratory. In 1922 he was named director of the department of health. He and the seventy associates in the work have never relaxed their efforts to maintain the healthful living conditions of Columbus, and they have been successful in keeping at a distance many of the diseases which ravage many large cities. In all of his work Doctor Beer has set a record for model sanitation, and his methods and experiments are watched with interest by other health officials, and the profession generally.

As a Fellow of the American Public Health Association and the Academy of Medicine, he takes an important part in the deliberations of these bodies, and he is serving the latter as secretary. The honorary scientific society, Sigma Xi, holds his membership. His political opinions make him a republican.

Doctor Beer married, in 1906, Gretchen Miller, a graduate of Ohio State University, class of 1900, and they have one son, Richard, a high school student of Columbus North High. Mrs. Beer is active in the managing board of the Young Woman's Christian Association; is chairman of its Travelers' Aid Committee, and is a past president of the Woman's Council of the Indianola Methodist Episcopal Church.

Jacob C. Bockoven is a native of Ohio, his grandparents on both sides were born in this state, and in his individual career he has made a success in commercial lines. He is one of the active business men of Newark.

Mr. Bockoven was born at Sparta, in Morrow County, Ohio, in 1869, son of James and Mary (Salisbury) Bockoven, both of whom were also born in Morrow County. Mr. Bockoven attended public schools in Sparta, and ten years of his early manhood were spent with the National Cash Register Company as salesman and mechanical inspector. Since then he has continued his career as a salesman, for various organizations, and for the past seven years has represented the Shelby Sales Company of Ohio, with headquarters at Newark. Mr. Bockoven is a member of the Masonic Order, the United Commercial Travelers, is a democrat and a Baptist.

He married at Mount Vernon, Ohio, July 21, 1892, Miss Della R. Williams, daughter of Marshall and Sarah (Herfort) Williams. Her father was a native of Delaware, of Pennsylvania ancestry, and her mother was born in Kentucky, where her parents were likewise born. Mrs. Bockoven has been prominent in women's club circles in Ohio, and is now president of the Newark Federation of Women's Clubs, and is a member of the Unity Reading Circle. Mr. and Mrs. Bockoven have two children, Frederick H. and Lucille Bockoven. The daughter married Edward H. Metz and has two children, named Elizabeth and Charles Henry Metz. Frederick H. Bockoven has attained distinction in the United States Army. He graduated from the Newark High School in 1912, and from Ohio State University in 1916, being a member of the Psi Omega fraternity. At competitive examinations he was appointed dental surgeon in the regular United States Army in July, 1916, receiving a commission as first lieutenant in October of the same year. His first assignment of duty was at Fort Bliss, Texas. In January, 1918, he was promoted to major, and during 1921-22 was stationed in the Philippine Islands and since then has been on duty at Fort Riley, Kansas. Major Bockoven married Ailene Smith. Their son, Frederick, Jr., was born on the transport Sherman, 600 miles out from Manila.

Thomas P. Corwin. A resident of Columbus, a native of Logan County, Thomas P. Corwin has made a national reputation through his success in a comparatively new and unique industry, the breeding and raising of silver foxes. He is recognized as one of the outstanding authorities on anything pertaining to this aristocratic fur-bearing animal. He is the president and general manager of the Corwin Silver Fox Company of Hart, Michigan, and spends a great deal of his time at the ranch in Northern Michigan.

His name at once suggests relationship with an Ohio statesman and orator, one of the most conspicuous in the history of his commonwealth and of the nation in the years and issues preceding the Civil war. He is in fact a cousin of Senator Thomas Corwin, whose career is sketched more particularly elsewhere in this history of Ohio. Senator Corwin was born in Kentucky and was four years of age when his father, Matthias Corwin, formerly of Pennsylvania, moved to what is now Lebanon, Ohio, in 1798. The progenitor of the Corwin family in America was Matthias Corwin, who came from Warwick, England, about 1633, settling at Ipswich, Massachusetts, later, in 1640, moving to Long Island, New York.

The grandparents of Thomas P. Corwin, of Columbus, were George L. Corwin and Margaret (Dickinson) Corwin. Phineas, the father of the former, was a pioneer of Logan County, Ohio, settling near Rush Creek Lake in the early part of the nineteenth century. Phineas Corwin was a millwright, and built the old Pimm mill near West Liberty, Ohio. It was in the community in Rush Creek Township of Logan County that Thomas P. Corwin was born April 13, 1878, son of Phillip J. (1843-1913) and Jane Anne (Kautzman) Corwin (1849). His father was born in the same locality. Thomas P. Corwin was reared and educated there. He established his home in Columbus in 1919. His wife, Elsie Elizabeth Stout, was born in Hardin County, Ohio. Their three children are: Emmett Lawrence, Thomas Floyd and Lois Mae.

The Corwin Silver Fox Farm at Hart, Michigan, represents one of the most successful enterprises for the breeding of silver foxes on this continent. The farm comprises 297 acres, and the beautiful buildings are large and adequate for carrying forward the several agricultural activities, which consists of general farming, fruit growing and the breeding of Jersey cattle and silver foxes. At this writing there are 239 silver foxes on the ranch. These magnificent animals when grown are sold for breeding purposes and are worth from $1,500 to $2,500 per pair. Their ultimate value, of course, rests upon the enormous value of their pelts, the silver fox fur being the highest priced fur in the world. Finest quality raw pelts sell at $500 to $650 each. Mr. Corwin has spent many years in the study of the silver fox and has done as much, if not more, than any one man in the United States to stabilize this new industry and help place the same on a firm business basis.

Mr. Corwin is vice president of the National Silver Fox Breeders' Association of America. He is a popular writer, and contributes regularly to the leading national outdoor magazines many interesting articles on the different phases of the silver fox industry.

The Corwin farm at Hart is also noted for its fine herd of Register of Merit Jersey cattle, and Mr. Corwin has found both interest and profit in developing this department of his live stock industry.

In 1923, in conjunction with the Fish and Game Commission, he displayed the first silver foxes ever exhibited at the Ohio State Fair. They proved to be quite an attraction, and of the thousands who visited the fair most everyone was eager to see these rare and beautiful fur-bearing animals.

The Agricultural Department of Ohio recognized the importance of fur farming as an adjunct to the many agricultural activities of the farmer and added silver foxes as a new attraction at the state fair. Mr. Corwin was selected by the fair board to manage the silver fox show held at the 1924 Ohio State Fair.

JOHN G. PRICE. When he engaged in law practice at Columbus in 1906 John G. Price already had an interesting experience to his credit in public life and an acquaintance with a number of prominent men. His subsequent career has brought him some of the highest honors of his profession, including service of four years as attorney-general of Ohio.

He was born at Canton, August 10, 1871, and his parents, Edward Patrick and Catharine A. (Keily) Price, are still living at Canton, a highly respected couple. His father is one of the oldest residents of the city, having lived there continuously since 1848. Both parents were born in Ireland, Edward P. Price coming to this country with his mother after the death of his father. Besides John G. Price there are two daughters in the family: Catharine, wife of R. S. Read, of Syracuse, New York; and Frances H., wife of Dr. George E. Harrison, of Toledo, Ohio.

John G. Price was reared at Canton, attending the parochial schools and the Canton High School. After graduating from high school he became an employe in the Canton Postoffice and for several years was a city letter carrier. While there he gained the acquaintance of Canton's foremost citizen, William McKinley, and in 1899 President McKinley had his useful friend transferred from the Canton Postoffice to a clerkship in the postoffice department at Washington. During his residence in Washington Mr. Price devoted his spare time to the study of law in Georgetown University. He graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1904, but remained in Washington as postoffice department employe until 1906. In that year he resigned and returning to his native state, located at Columbus, where he became one of the junior attorneys in the law office of Arnold, Morton and Irvine. So far as his public duties have permitted he has been engaged in private practice in the capital city ever since.

Mr. Price served as assistant prosecuting attorney of Franklin County under Edward C. Turner. When Mr. Turner was elected attorney-general of Ohio the assistant went with him as special counsel in that department of the state government. In 1918 Mr. Price was honored with the republican nomination for attorney-general, and was elected, beginning his duties in January, 1919. In 1920 he was reelected, and filled the office four years, until January 1, 1923. As attorney-general he made a record of many important legal services to this state. The record of individual causes which he handled in behalf of the state would be too long for enumeration, however, particular mention should be made of the success he achieved in opposing the Steptoe act of West Virginia. This was a measure by which West Virginia sought to prevent the exportation of natural gas beyond the borders of that state. Had it been carried out the result would have wrought havoc among many of the prominent industries of Eastern and Southern Ohio and brought great inconvenience and suffering to the many Ohio people who had for years been using West Virginia natural gas through pipe lines running from that state. Mr. Price carried the matter before the United States Supreme Court, which finally decided in favor of Ohio's contention.

Both before and after his election as attorney-general Mr. Price put all his talents at the disposal of the Government during the World war. He was legal advisor to the Ohio Red Cross organization, and was the originator of Columbus' Unique War Chest slogan, which assisted materially in placing this city among the highest in the country in volume of war contributions. Not only locally but throughout the state he spoke in behalf of all the war drives and campaigns for the sale of Liberty Bonds and other auxiliary work.

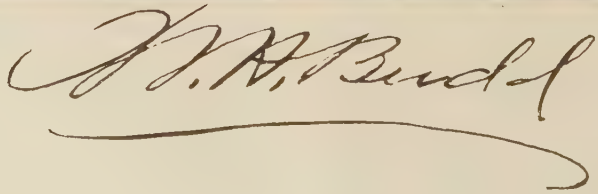
Mr. Price married in 1904 Miss Salome C. Royer, of Columbus. They have an interesting family of three children: John G., Jr., "Jack;" Salome Kathleen; and Richard Royer, "Dick."

Among other public services Mr. Price was for three years a member of the State Board of Charities under appointment from Governor Willis. In civic affairs he was a member of the first Public Recreation Commission of Columbus, out of which has grown the present extensive public recreation facilities fostered by the city under the direction of a superintendent. While in the office of attorney-general Mr. Price was honored by election as president of the National Association of Attorneys General of the United States.

For many years he has been high in the councils of the Elks and of the Knights of Columbus, of which he is a past grand knight. He is past exalted ruler of Columbus Lodge No. 37, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, has served as a member of various Grand Lodge committees of the order, and in July, 1923, became chief justice of the Grand Forum, the supreme judicial body of the order. His activities as an Elk were recognized in the highest possible manner by the members of the order at the annual convention at Boston, Massachusetts, when on July 8, 1924, he was elected to the chief executive position in the order, that of grand exalted ruler for the years 1924-1925.

WILLIAM H. ALEXANDER. To men of scientific mind perhaps no branch of Federal civil service has more interesting opportunities than the Weather Bureau. William H. Alexander, who is meteorologist for Ohio at Columbus, entered this service twenty-five years ago, and has not only successfully handled the routine of weather bureaus and stations, but has done much original investigation and has contributed to the store of knowledge on the subject of meteorology.

Mr. Alexander was born in Hunt County, Texas, in 1867, son of Thomas Carroll and Martha Ann (Banta) Alexander. His great-grandfather was Joshua C. Alexander, who was born in 1770 in North Carolina, probably in Mecklenburg County. He was of Scotch parentage and of kinship with the historic Alexander family of Mecklenburg County, five of whom were signers of the Mecklenburg Decoration of Independence. The Alexanders are a strong and sturdy race, both mentally and physically, preserving their vigor undiminished from generation to generation. Members of this family are today among the most prominent citizens in North Carolina, as they were one hundred fifty years ago. Joshua C. Alexander in the latter part of the eighteenth century moved to Caldwell County, Kentucky. His son, Urbane Alexander, was born in Caldwell County, and from there moved to Sangamon County, Illinois, and was living there when the Black Hawk Indian war was fought in 1832. He volunteered from Sangamon County in the same regiment of which Abraham Lincoln was a member. About 1837 Urbane Alexander left Sangamon County and went to Texas, then a republic. He was one of



the pioneers in the eastern part of Texas. Thomas Carroll Alexander was born in what is now Hunt County, Texas, and married Martha Ann Banta of a family originally from Pennsylvania, one branch of which moved to Caldwell County, Kentucky. William H. Alexander of Columbus has membership in the Sons of the American Revolution. His eligibility is based upon the service of one of his Banta ancestors. His maternal grandfather, Henry Banta, was a Baptist missionary preacher in Texas, and a widely known early pioneer.

William H. Alexander was born and reared on his father's farm at Campbell in Hunt County. He attended the country schools, and in 1887 graduated from the Sam Houston Normal College at Huntsville. For two or three years he was a teacher at Decatur, Texas, and from there entered the University of Virginia at Charlottesville, and pursued several courses leading to the Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees.

Mr. Alexander took the examination for service with the United States Weather Bureau at Fort Worth, Texas, in 1898. During the same year he received his first appointment, as assistant in the Weather Bureau Office at Galveston. After about a year he volunteered for the Weather Bureau West Indies service, and was assigned to duty in charge of the station at Basseterre, on the little island of St. Kitts (St. Christopher) in the extreme southeastern section of the Carribean Sea. While there, on August 31, 1900, he issued the first warning of the great storm that a few days later almost entirely destroyed Galveston. From St. Kitts he was transferred to the Weather Bureau station at San Juan, Porto Rico, as first assistant, and remained in that island little over two years. Mr. Alexander compiled the historical data for and published a book on the subject of the West Indies hurricanes while he was located in Porto Rico. Following that came a temporary assignment at Galveston, and while in Texas he had charge of the removal of the Weather Bureau station from Taylor to the State University at Austin. His next duty was to open the session of the Weather Bureau at Burlington, Vermont, and he remained in charge there three years. He was then transferred to Baltimore as meteorologist in charge of the section embracing the States of Maryland and Delaware, and this post he held for something over three years.

Since then Mr. Alexander's work has been in Ohio. At Cleveland he was made meteorologist in charge of the Weather Bureau of that city, and among other duties issued the storm warnings for the Great Lakes region. Then, in 1916, he was transferred to Columbus with enlarged jurisdiction as meteorologist for the section including the entire State of Ohio. The Columbus office also handles the reports of the various subsidiary stations, between 135 and 140, there being at least one such station in every county of the state. He is also on the staff of the State Agricultural Experiment Station at Wooster, Ohio, and in this capacity he has prepared a climatological history of Ohio. His office maintains a river and flood service with flood warnings and gauge readings on the Scioto, Muskingum, Sandusky and Licking rivers. During the growing season the Columbus office maintains their system of daily telegraphic reports as to rainfall and other weather conditions in the corn and wheat regions, these reports being received in the Columbus office from about a dozen sub stations. In the spring of the year a similar service is maintained for the benefit of fruit growers and orchidists, including the reporting and prognosticating of frosts, snows, cold waves, and other adverse conditions. The facilities for forecasting and the distribution of forecasts from the Columbus office are very complete, and under Mr. Alexander's skillful direction are kept up to the highest state of efficiency.

Mr. Alexander married Miss Mamie Pauline Clonts, of Decatur, Texas. She was born in Florida. Her father, Rev. Asbury M. Clonts, was a native of Georgia, and became both a lawyer and a minister. In Georgia he was elected to the bench, and while performing his judicial duties he occupied a pulpit each Sunday. He also lived several years in Florida, and from that state came to Texas, where he continued for many years as a Baptist minister.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander have two children. Their son, Ralph Clonts Alexander, born at Campbell, Texas graduated from the East High School in Cleveland, and from that city was appointed to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. He graduated from the academy, was in the navy during the World war and now holds the rank of first lieutenant.

The daughter, Miss Ryllis Clair Alexander, who was born on the Island of St. Kitts, British West Indies, graduated Master of Arts from Ohio State University at Columbus, has had one year of resident study at Yale, is now a teacher in the Carnegie Institute of Technology, and is pursuing advanced research preparatory to the Doctor of Philosophy degree at Yale.

William H. Budd. An organization that insured a prompt, regular wholesome supply of an essential element in the daily food consumption of a large city is obviously one of the most important institutions of such a community. In realizing all the exacting demands of such program Columbus has been properly proud of the Budd Dairy Company, one of the model organizations of its kind in the state and one that has regularly anticipated the progressive requirements affecting the production and distribution of milk and milk products to the public.

This company represents an interesting history of development and progress. On November 1, 1894, nearly thirty years ago, Mr. Simon T. Budd, with a one-horse wagon, started the sale of milk in Columbus, carrying the product from his farm near Mifflinville, seven and one-half miles northeast of Columbus. The sales for the first day totaled only ten quarts, or sixty cents. Mr. Simon T. Budd is still a director in the Budd Dairy Company, but the active control of the business for many years was in the hands of his son, William H. Budd.

William H. Budd was born in Delaware County, Ohio, in 1877. When he was a small boy his father moved to a farm in Plain Township, Franklin County, and on that farm the dairy business was started in the modest way just described. About twelve years later, with the gradual growth of the business, a local plant was established in Columbus, at 1390 Wesley Avenue. At that time the business was conducted by the S. T. Budd Dairy Company. By September, 1906, this company was distributing about sixty gallons of milk daily. At that time William H. Budd, who had grown up on the farm and from boyhood had familiarized himself with all the technical processes involved in dairying, bought out his father, and it was subsequently incorporated as the Budd Dairy Company, of which he became president and general manager. The business was continued at the Wesley Avenue location until December 7, 1916, when it was moved to a new plant at North Fourth Street, between Detroit Avenue and Fourth Avenue. The new plant is probably one of the finest in the country. The main building is 70 feet front by 150 feet deep, one and two stories high, and basement under all. It is of concrete and steel construction throughout, faced with red pressed brick laid with black mortar, trimmed in white terra cotta, so that the building as a whole presents a pleasing architectural design. All the air

taken into the building passes through washing and sterilizing processes before it is delivered into any of the rooms. The equipment of boilers, engines, ice machinery and pasteurizing equipment is thoroughly modern. The plant produces forty tons of refrigeration every twenty-four hours, and from ten to twelve thousand gallons of water are required for cooling purposes.

One notable feature of the building is an assembly hall, kitchen and laboratories, arranged especially for the use of the company's customers and friends, frequently used for parties, luncheons, club banquets, either during the day or evening. This is known as Budd's Assembly Hall, and is open to the company's customers during the day.

The milk and cream sold from this plant are under the strict testing and approval of the state and city health departments. All employes who handle the milk are required to pass medical examination and have certificates of good health. The milk is received daily by train and motor trucks, and is shipped from farms in a radius of fifty miles around Columbus. At the original point of production the milk is produced under rigid specifications and every successive trip is properly safeguarded until the perfect product is placed at the customer's door. This beautiful and very efficient plant was designed, built and financed by W. H. Budd, and under his personal supervision he purchased and installed all the modern machinery and equipment.

When the company moved to its new plant in 1916 it had a capacity of about 900 gallons of milk daily. There was then a delivery equipment of twenty wagons. With subsequent growth the company now distributes about 3,000 gallons of milk daily, employing forty wagons in the delivery. Since then the capacity of the plant has been increased to 9,000 gallons. Out of 45,000 families in Columbus about 11,000 are served with milk and cream by this company. It is an interesting fact that there has not been a single day in the last twenty-eight years where the service of the Budd Dairy has been discontinued. The delivery equipment consists of forty-one horse wagons, electric trucks, gasoline trucks, and their housing requires a barn and garage covering a space 100 feet wide by 140 feet deep. The equipment of the garage includes the company's own charging plant for the daily charging of the electric trucks. This was the first company in the United States to use electric trucks for retail milk delivery. After an association of more than twenty years, during which time he had expanded its facilities as above described, William H. Budd disposed of his interest in the Budd Dairy Company, in February, 1924, and has since given most of his energies to other affairs. On November 1, 1905, he had, in partnership with W. E. Ranney, organized the Budd-Ranney Manufacturing Company, establishing a plant at 37 South Scioto Street, Columbus, for the manufacture of dies, tools and special machinery. In March, 1906, William A. Vance joined the original partners and at a later date the company was incorporated as the Budd and Ranney Engineering Company, of which Mr. Budd is vice president. The present location of the plant is the southeast corner of Chestnut and Water streets, Columbus, and it is a business of flourishing proportions. Mr. Budd is also president of the Safety Wire, Gas, Globe Company, located at 44 East Second Street. Mr. Budd is a popular member of Columbus business social circle, being affiliated with the Rotary Club, Young Men's Christian Association, the Scottish Rite Masons and Shriners, and is also an Elk.

Rees Philpott, M. D. One of the highly educated and capable young physicians and surgeons of Delaware is Dr. Rees Philpott, who came to the practical work of his profession after a liberal education in the arts and sciences and a prolonged period of study and experience in medical college and hospital.

Doctor Philpott represents an old family of Ohio. He was born at LeRoy, this state, March 24, 1892, son of Rev. Austin and Etta (Rees) Philpott, and grandson of Richard and Mary Ann (Sawkins) Philpott, and Daniel and Mary (Higgins) Rees. All his grandparents were natives of England except Daniel Rees, who was born in Wales. An uncle of Richard Philpott held the rank of colonel under the great Duke of Wellington. Daniel Rees came to the United States in 1835 and settled at Columbus. Mrs. Etta Rees Philpott is now deceased. Both she and her husband were born in Ohio. Rev. Austin Philpott has had a long and honorable career in the Methodist ministry. He was pastor of churches at Belleville, LeRoy, Mount Gilead, Ashland, Bucyrus and Delaware, and at Delaware for several years was superintendent of the Wooster district, and then for six years superintendent of the Worthington Children's Home.

Dr. Rees Philpott attended public schools at Mount Gilead and Ashland, had one year in the Ashland High School, finished his high school work at Bucyrus, and in 1911 graduated Bachelor of Arts from the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. After graduating he was for six months an employe of the federal department of agriculture and for six months pursued post-graduate work in science at Ohio Wesleyan. Following that he entered the Western Reserve University Medical School at Cleveland, was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1919, and during his senior year was assistant in pathology in the City Hospital. During the World war he was in training with the Medical Reserve Corps, though not called from his studies. After graduating he served one year as resident surgeon in Saint Mark's Hospital at Cleveland. Doctor Philpott located at Delaware in October, 1921, and specialized in surgery, and after beginning practice he took post-graduate work in Cleveland and Philadelphia in 1922.

He is unmarried. He had membership in the County, State and American Medical associations, the Phi Rho Sigma medical fraternity, the Elks and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Walter C. Metz. The largest banking institution in Newark is the Newark Trust Company, and of the individuals identified with its development and service one of the oldest in point of years of connection, though still a comparatively young man, is the president, Walter C. Metz.

Mr. Metz was born at Newark in 1884, son of Charles C. and Cristy Ann (Smith) Metz, also natives of Licking County. The family originally came from Germany, and was identified with the pioneer days in this section of Ohio. His grandfather was Charles C. Metz, an early settler.

Walter C. Metz was reared and educated in his native city. After completing his college education in 1905 he entered the Newark Trust Company, which had been incorporated in 1903. It has a capital of $200,000, and surplus and undivided profits of $250,000.

He has made his service indispensable to the business, and on his individual merit has won his advancement to president. He was elected president in 1917. The company built and occupies for its home the only modern office building in the city.

Mr. Metz as a citizen as well as a banker has identified himself with all movements for the advancement and prosperity of Newark. He is a member of the Rotary Club, and is interested in Ohio affairs in general, being a life member of the Archæological

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and Historical Society of Ohio. Mr. Metz married Miss Helen W. Weiant. Warren S. Weiant, her father, owns the noted place four miles east of Newark with ten acres under glass, one of the largest floral and horticultural plants in America.

JOHN MILTON DENISON, M. D., has long been engaged in successful general practice of his profession in his native state of Ohio, and is now one of the veteran and honored physicians and surgeons in the City of Akron, where his practice is of substantial and representative order. The Doctor has been in the most significant sense the architect of his own fortunes, and that in earlier years he had a measure of fellowship with adversity, has but intensified his appreciation of the real values in human thought and action, and made more loyal and sympathetic his ministrations in exacting and benignant profession.

Doctor Denison was born on a farm near Junction City, Perry County, Ohio, April 1, 1859, and is a representative of one of the sterling pioneer families of that county, within whose borders his father, the late Joel M. Denison, was born and reared and which he represented as a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war. Joel M. Denison became corporal of Company K, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and with this command he continued in service until he received a wound that necessitated the amputation of one of his legs. Thereafter he was engaged in farm enterprise of modest order, and in his native county he served as a village postmaster under the administration of President Harrison, he having been a stalwart supporter of the cause of the republican party, and he and his wife having been earnest members of the United Brethren Church. Mrs. Denison, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Van Atta, was a representative of one of the sturdy Holland Dutch families early founded in New Jersey, her remote ancestors having moved from Holland to Germany in the ninth century, but the family having later been reestablished in Holland, whence came the Colonial representatives of the name in New Jersey.

John M. Denison became virtually dependent upon his own resources when he was a lad of eleven years, and at the age of fourteen he owned and operated a dray—an advancement that bears evidence of his own juvenile initiative and resourcefulness. He provided through his own exertions the means for supplementing the meager education of his boyhood, and after having attended the public schools at New Lexington, judicial center of his native county, he gave five years of effective service as a teacher in the district schools. He bent all his energies to the achieving of his youthful ambition, which was to prepare himself for the medical profession. He finally entered fine old Starling Medical College at Columbus, an institution now constituting the medical department of the University of Ohio, and after receiving therefrom his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was for six years engaged in practice at New Pittsburg, Hocking County. He was later established in practice at Blatchford, and there also he served several years as postmaster. The attractive little City of Crooksville, Perry County, was the stage of his professional activities for a long term of years, and in his four years of service as health officer he brought the town into excellent sanitary condition. He was one of the influential members of the Perry County Medical Society, and twice served as its president. Since his removal to Akron he has served one term as president of the Summit County Medical Society, besides which he was chief of the Medical Advisory Board of Division No. 4 Draft Board at Akron in the World war period. The Doctor has been a resident of Akron since 1912, and here the scope and importance of his practice indicates alike his professional ability and his high place in popular confidence and esteem. He is a member of the staff of physicians and surgeons at the People's Hospital, and thus definitely expands his valued professional services.

Doctor Denison has never deviated from the line of strict allegiance to the republican party, and is a stalwart advocate of its cause. He and his wife hold membership in the First United Brethren Church of Akron; and in the York Rite of the Masonic fraternity he is still affiliated with the Lodge, Chapter and Commandery at New Lexington, besides which he is a member of the Knights of Pythias.

November 24, 1898, marked the marriage of Doctor Denison and Miss Blanche Sweeney, of Nelsonville, Athens County, and they have two children Miss Mildred, who is a successful and popular teacher in the public schools of Akron, was graduated from Akron University and was there affiliated with the Delta Gamma sorority. Kenneth is a student (1924) in Akron University, and there is a member of the Lone Star fraternity.

Doctor Denison has been an appreciative reader and student, has fine literary appreciation, and has much poetical talent, many of his published poems having gained favorable comment.

HON ROBERT S. WOODRUFF. Nearly thirty years have passed since Robert S. Woodruff began his career as a practicing attorney at Hamilton. After a successful period of private practice he was called to public office. He has served as prosecuting attorney and is the present judge of the Probate Court of Butler County. But the work which lends his name real distinction has been his service as judge of the Juvenile Court of Hamilton. At all times this office is one of great delicacy, but Judge Woodruff has made it an opportunity for expressing his deep seated interest and exercising a rare discrimination in cases that involve not only the individual but society in general.

Judge Woodruff was born in Butler County, January 20, 1869. He was reared there, educated in public schools, and from boyhood depended upon his own exertions to get his higher education and make his abilities known. He graduated from the Cincinnati Law School in 1894, and in the same year opened his law office at Hamilton. He was engaged in private practice for about eight years. From 1903 to 1909 he served as prosecuting attorney of Butler County, two terms. Each time he was elected on the democratic ticket. After leaving this office he resumed his private law practice.

In 1916 he was presented to the voters as a candidate for probate judge on a nonpartisan ticket, was elected, and his record shows that he possesses unusual qualifications for the adjustment of the many difficult interests that come before the Probate Court. When he took this office he was also appointed by the common pleas judges Harlan and Murphy as judge of the Juvenile Court. This is a judicial position comparatively modern, and Judge Woodruff has been able to create and invest his office with traditions and methods of procedure that will stand for many years as the ideals and rules governing this court. The fine results of his humanitarian treatment of juvenile offenders has made for him a state wide reputation.

On October 9, 1901, at Hamilton, Judge Woodruff married Miss Bessie Weaver, daughter of John C. Weaver, prominent citizen, surveyor and civil engineer. Mrs. Woodruff, who died September 24, 1920, was a graduate of the Hamilton High School and also studied in Oxford Woman's College. Judge Woodruff has two children, Helen, born in 1906, a graduate

of the Hamilton High School, and Frederick, born in 1910, a student in the Junior High School. Judge Woodruff is a Master Mason, is a life member of the Elks, and a member of the Methodist Church.

FRANK A. IRISH. The career of Frank A. Irish, county recorder of Lorain County, is one whose salient characteristic is faithfulness to the duties devolving upon him. In both private and public life he has always sought to live up to what was expected of him, and no one has been in the least disappointed in the results he has produced. He was born at Camden, Ohio, March 14, 1872, a son of Charles and Jane (Ware) Irish, natives of Rutland, Vermont. A blacksmith, Charles Irish left his shop to enlist in the defense of the Union in 1861, and served as a member of the Seventeenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry from Camden. After the close of the war he bought a farm in Pittsfield Township, Lorain County, where he died. Mrs. Irish was a daughter of Manning and Mary (Maynard) Ware, natives of Vermont. They came to Lorain County many years ago and bought a farm at Pittsfield Center, but he was also a blacksmith, and later moved to Amherst, Ohio, where he conducted a blacksmithing shop, and he also worked at his trade in the stone quarries of that place. After the death of her husband Mrs. Irish was later married to Orick Dale, of La Grange, a farmer of that locality, but she died in 1894, not long after her second marriage.

Frank A. Irish attended the grade and high schools of La Grange until he was eighteen years old, at which time he went to Lorain, Ohio, and worked for his brother in a grocery store for sixteen years. At the termination of that period he went into a grocery business of his own at Lorain, but sold it two years later. During that two years he had also served as city treasurer of Lorain. Going upon the road as a representative of the Walter Candy Company, he continued traveling for that concern until the spring of 1917, when he severed that connection and worked as paymaster and timekeeper for the Cedar Point Resort Company. In September, 1917, he assumed the duties of the office of county recorder, to which he had been elected in 1916, and has held this office ever since, his present term expiring in September, 1923.

In 1892 Mr. Irish was married to Hortense Curtis, who was born at La Grange, a daughter of Reuben and Sophronia (Yeamons) Curtis, and they became the parents of three children: Lillian who is the wife of Arthur Spadiman, of Lorain; and Harold and Harvey, both of whom reside at Lorain. Mrs. Irish died in October, 1913.

In June, 1917, Mr. Irish married Mrs. Jessie (Jacobs) McLean, who was born in Black River Township, Lorain, County, a daughter of Charles and Gertrude (Byrd) Jacobs, natives of Erie County, Ohio. She was the widow of James McLean. Mr. and Mrs. McLean had no children. While he is not a member, Mr. Irish attends the Methodist Episcopal Church of Lorain. Very prominent as a republican, he has served as a member of the City Council of Lorain for two terms, was city treasurer for two terms, and was assistant mayor of Lorain for two terms. He belongs to Lorain Lodge No. 552, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Lorain Lodge No. 1301, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Holman Lodge No. 699, Knights of Pythias, and has been through all of the chairs in the last named order. He was injured December 3, 1920, a street car running over his right foot. Previous to this accident he was a great advocate and participator in outdoor sports and athletics. For many years he was very active in behalf of Lorain, and is still very much interested in its welfare, although he is now residing on his farm in Black River Township, not far from Lorain.

PERRY H. EVANS is a civil engineer, an expert in waterworks, paving and other forms of municipal engineering. For a number of years his home and technical work have been at Kent.

He was born at Columbus, May 6, 1886, son of Edward and Eleanor (Hughes) Evans. His father, was also a native of Columbus, and his mother of Wales, Edward Evans was the son of Moriss and Ann Evans, who was born in Wales. Edward Evans was married in Van Wert County, Ohio, and then became associated with his father in the florist business at Columbus, and when the father died he continued the business alone for about five years. On the death of his mother he settled up the affairs of the business, leaving its ownership and management to his two sisters while he laid out and subdivided a tract of land into city lots and became engaged in the real estate business. He now lives at 1153 East Main Street Columbus. His wife died in October, 1921.

Perry H. Evans graduated from the Columbus High School in 1905, took post-graduate work in high school in 1906, then spent two years in Ohio State University. Leaving the University he had two years of practical training with the county engineering of Lake County. After that he continued his engineering course in Ohio State University for a year and a half. In 1911 he became an employe of the waterworks system at Akron, and was with that public utility for six years, being assistant engineer when he left. For a time he continued with the Akron Waterworks in the winter and for two summer seasons was assistant engineer at Cuyahoga Falls. In the fall of 1919 Mr. Evans became associated with the firm Taylor, Vaughn & Taylor of Cuyahoga Falls as clerk in the engineering and order department of that industry. In June 1921, he resigned and became chief inspector during the progress of paving construction involving the improvement of nine different streets at Kent. Then, in January, 1922, he set up in general practice as a civil engineer at Kent, and has a large volume of duties involving the planning and supervision of construction, inspection and field work. Kent has put in a new waterworks system, and Mr. Evans was the expert in handling most of the details.

On June 30, 1911, he married Miss Hazel Cleve Jones, a native of Painesville, Ohio, and daughter of James and Alice Cleve (Dondge) Jones. They have two children, Edward B., born August 3, 1913, and Jean Cleve, born April 19, 1916.

Mr. Evans was reared a Presbyterian, but is now a member of the Episcopal Church. He is a republican, and is affiliated with York Lodge of Masons at Columbus, Painesville Chapter, Royal Arch Mason, Akron Council, Royal and Select Masters, Yusef Khan Grotto of Masonry at Akron, and the Eastern Star at Kent. He also belongs to the Acacia Masonic College fraternity, the Rotary Club and the Forensic Club. His home at Kent is a modern residence at 226 South Chestnut Street. For a man of his years he has had a very broad experience not only in his profession, but in other lines of work. During and after his high school course, from 1903 to 1908, he spent his vacations traveling about the country as a commercial photographer, and in 1906 he spent some time in Oklahoma.

MICHAEL JAMES HAGERTY is president of an industry that means a great deal to the prosperity of Washington Court House. He is a shoe manufacturer, and represents the Hagerty family in that line of business.

He was born in Cincinnati, August 16, 1860, son of Patrick and Mary Hagerty. His father was in the shoe making business for many years. Mr. Hagerty was reared and educated at Cincinnati, at Saint Xavier's School, and also attended courses in night

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school at Cincinnati. As a youth he entered his father's shoe factory and learned the business in every detail. The factory was subsequently moved to Washington Court House, where Mr. Hagerty established the plant of the Hagerty Shoe Company, capitalized at $150,000. He is president of this industry. His factory is filled with modern shoe making machinery and the special line of output is children's, misses' and women's shoes. Mr. Hagerty has so carefully built up the reputation of his shoes and has so closely watched the economies of operation that through the services of a staff of aggressive traveling salesmen they have a large market for their output in the country.

Mr. Hagerty is a member of the Catholic Church at Washington Court House, and is past exalted ruler and present trustee of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

He married Miss Lillian Dunn on September 1, 1887, at Cincinnati. She was educated in the Convent School in that city. They have three children: James, born in 1888, John, born in 1890, and Stanley, born in 1892. Stanley is married and has two children: John J. and Robert. Mr. Hagerty is a non-resident member of Cincinnati Business Men's Club.

Cleophas J. La Vallee. Ohio is the home of several nationally known paint and varnish manufacturing establishments, and one of them, specializing on a high grade product largely used by furniture manufacturers, is a Marietta paint and color company. This business recently celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary with a three day convention at the Lafayette Hotel in Marietta, attended by about forty members of the company's direct organization, including a number of sales representatives and dealers, also several representatives of other large companies engaged in the same line of business. At the banquet concluding the convention, and after his associates and employes had represented him with a gift significant of their appreciation of his long services, Mr. C. J. La Vallee, founder and president of the company, responded with a few words that have a special interest here: "The building of this business has been hard work—the hardest kind of hard work," he said. "But I never looked upon it as hard work or that the work was a sacrifice. It was a labor of love, every hour of it—and I have enjoyed it every minute. When I think that tonight it is through the instrumentality of this business that some five hundred people are now being supported and given the opportunity to do their work and render their service to the world, I feel more than compensated for any effort the business may have cost me. I am grateful to you for this beautiful gift."

Cleophas J. La Vallee was born in the village of Bedford, Missisquoi County, Quebec, son of Albert and Julia La Vallee, and of Canadian French ancestry for generations back. Albert La Vallee was a shoemaker, and for a number of years conducted a business of his own, though always working at the bench. He put much interest in the affairs of the communities in which he lived, and was very active in the Catholic Church. When Cleophas La Vallee was sixteen years of age he came to the United States, and the parents subsequently followed him, moving first to East Hampton, Massachusetts, and seven years later to Bridgeport, Connecticut, where they spent the rest of their lives.

Cleophas J. La Vallee acquired his early education in schools of his native town. He was second in a family of five sons, there being also four daughters. The other sons are Joseph A. and Ernest E., both paint contractors, Alexander F. and Israel, all residents of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

On coming to the United States Cleophas J. La Vallee located at Holyoke, Massachusetts, where he began his experience in the printing trade. Subsequently he opened a shop at Greenfield, Massachusetts, and three years later moved to Bridgeport, Connecticut. Early in his work it was discovered that he had a natural gift in mixing paints and colors, and this gift, improved by many years of experience, has been the foundation of of the prosperous business of which he is now the head. Mr. La Vallee became a resident of Marietta in 1887. He located there to take charge of the finishing department of the Lobdell Rim Works. Subsequently he decided to open a plant for the manufacture of mixed paints and colors. One of his financial associates in the founding of the business in 1898 was Senator C. S. Dana. They secured a small room in the Lobdell Rim Works, and all the credit the firm had to start with was a good name. A leading material house in New York supplied Mr. La Vallee with three times the amount of credit he had asked. In less than a year the first plant was burned. They next conducted the business in part of an abandoned tannery for seven years, when another fire occurred. The company then began building at its present location. It has grown and prospered steadily through the years until it is now one of the most influential business organizations in Marietta. The products manufactured are distributed all over the United States, and, as noted above, the chief customers are furniture manufacturers. A few years ago a branch plant was opened at High Point, North Carolina.

After the death of Mr. Dana, Mr. La Vallee purchased his interest and became president and treasurer, and his son, G. A. La Vallee, vice president, secretary and sales director.

Mr. La Vallee in 1886 married Miss Ida McNamara. She was also born in Bedford, Quebec, and they were sweethearts in all that time. The son, George A. La Vallee, attended parochial schools at Marietta, also the Marietta Academy, and had two years at Marietta College and two years at Holy Cross College at Worcester, Massachusetts. He finished his technical education in the Pratt Institute at New York. Both father and son are members of the Country Club and the Knights of Columbus.

The company now maintains a chain of distributing stores at Greensborough and High Point, North Carolina, at Steubenville, Newark, Dayton and Columbus, Ohio, and in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Hugh K. Martin has been a successful lawyer at Columbus since his admission to the Ohio bar in 1914. He left his growing practice to join the colors and saw service overseas as a captain of infantry. He is prominently identified with the American Legion, having served continuously as state adjutant for the Department of Ohio since the first state convention in 1919, and as chairman of several important national committees. He is likewise prominent in other fields of endeavor, being chairman of the international legislative committee and member of the international advisory committee of the International Society for Crippled Children; member of the committee on patriotic instruction of the State of Ohio; and member of the state advisory committee of the Ohio Parent-Teachers' Association.

Major Martin was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee, in 1889, son of Rev. Dr. Wallace W. and Mary (Krepps) Martin. His father was born and educated in Ohio and taught school in Franklin County, Ohio. He entered business in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and after the death of his wife there in 1890 he returned North and took up the study of theology and was admitted to the North Indiana Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. DePauw University honored him with the Doctor of Divinity degree, and

he is now the district superintendent or presiding elder of the Fort Wayne district of the North Indiana Conference.

Being but an infant when his mother died, Hugh K. Martin was brought to Columbus, Ohio, where he was reared by his maternal grandparents, Captain and Mrs. C. C. Krepps. In that city he attended the grade schools and East High School, and subsequently studied law in the Ohio State University, serving as president of both his high school class and also his law class. Since his admission to the bar in 1914 he has been engaged in general practice except for the period of the World war.

Several years before America entered the war he enlisted in the cavalry of the Ohio National Guard and became a sergeant of cavalry. In May, 1917, he entered the First Officers Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, was commissioned a captain of cavalry, and his first assignment of duty was at Camp Sherman. Realizing that there was no likelihood of cavalry officers being sent overseas, he finally succeeded in getting transferred to infantry, and early in September, 1918, went overseas as regimental adjutant of the Eight Hundred and Thirteenth Pioneer Infantry. Shortly after his arrival in France he was assigned by command of Lieutenant General Bullard, commander of the Second Army, to command an independent company which, until the close of hostilities, was engaged in the performance of special duties in the Meuse-Argonne offensive and the defensive sector. After the armistice he was put in command of an American camp in the British Army area in the North of France. After having served two years and three months he was honorably discharged in August, 1919, and recommissioned as major in the Infantry Officers Reserve Corps of the United States Army. He is now executive officer of the One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Infantry Brigade.

Upon the organization of the Department of Ohio, the American Legion, in 1919, Major Martin was made state adjutant for the department. He has developed the organization to more than 500 local posts in every city and town of the state. He has built up an efficient staff and office organization at department headquarters in Columbus. The department through its various functions has been of great service to ex-service men, particularly to those disabled also to the dependents of those who lost their lives in the war, and to the state and nation in the development of community service, Americanization of foreigners, the advocacy of a true Americanism, the detection and answering of destructive propaganda, the betterment of educational conditions in the state, improvement of the physical condition of the school children, and in many other lines.

He has represented the legion on all matters of state legislation before the General Assembly of Ohio, having introduced a number of bills, one resolution memorializing Congress and one resolution for an amendment to the Ohio constitution, all of which were enacted without a "no" vote in either house, and signed by the governor concerned. As chairman of the international legislative committee of the International Society for Crippled Children, he has been preparing and proposing matters for legislation in the several states and the Dominion of Canada for the proper care, development and education of all crippled children.

Major Martin has addressed numerous organizations over the State of Ohio and in several other states on a variety of subjects. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a Knight of Pythias and Elk, and a member of the Columbus Athletic Club. In 1916 he married Miss Cornelia Howard, also of Columbus.

William Webster Mills, an Ohio banker for over half a century, is prominently known in financial and business circles not only in Marietta, but in New York and Chicago.

He was born at Marietta, January 27, 1852, son of John and Dorothy (Webster) Mills. Mr. Mills was reared and educated in his native city, graduating with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Marietta College in 1871. Just fifty years later Marietta College honored him with the degree Doctor of Laws. Soon after leaving college he took up banking, and from 1873 to 1887 was associated with the banking firm of Elston & Company at Crawfordsville, Indiana. In 1887 he became president of the First National Bank of Marietta, and has been at the head of that strong and prosperous institution for over thirty-five years.

Many other interests in business affairs claim his attention. He is chairman of the Board of Directors of the Safe Cabinet Company, is a director of the Pure Oil Company, of the Union Gas and Electric Company of Chicago, and the Marietta Chair Company. He is secretary and treasurer of the Board of Trustees of Marietta College.

Mr. Mills is vice president and director of the Congregational Home Missionary Society, and is a corporate member of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions under the Congregational Church. He is chairman of the Marietta Chapter of the Red Cross, is a republican, belongs to the Union League and University Clubs in Chicago, the Athletic Club of Columbus, and the Ohio Society of New York. Mr. Mills married, October 12, 1875, Miss Betsey Gates, of Marietta.

Ashland College. The following interesting review of the history of this admirably conducted educational institution at Ashland, judicial center of Ashland County, has been supplied by its reliable and honored president.

Ashland College was founded in the year 1878, and was rechartered in the year 1888, as Ashland University, a title that was later abandoned, with the readoption of that under which the institution had been founded. The original charter was taken out by the church denomination known as the German Baptist Brethren, and the second charter was obtained by a liberal branch of the same denomination whose incorporate name is the Brethren Church of America.

The college is co-educational, and is Christian but not sectarian. It occupies a tract of eighteen acres of land, with four buildings, at the south limits of the City of Ashland. The situation is ideal, both in its relation to the city and from the scenic standpoint, commanding, as it does, a view of the country far and wide.

The first permanent president after the reorganization was Rev. J. A. Miller, D. D., who served until 1906, when Rev. J. L. Gillen was elected to this office, within this interval the finances of the institution were corrected and the courses of study revised. In 1911 Rev. W. D. Furry, D. D., was elected president. The World war occurred during his administration, and a military unit was established at the college. In the year 1919 the present incumbent, Edwin Elmore Jacobs, Ph. D., was elected president, and he at once bent his energies to increasing the financial resources of the institution and augmenting the enrollment of students. In the City of Ashland was initiated a campaign for the erection of a new library building at the college, this movement reaching a successful culmination, with the result that the fine new library building was completed and dedicated in the spring of 1923. The grounds of the college have been notably beautified, an athletic bowl has been constructed, and the permanent endowment has been greatly increased under the regime of the present chief execu-

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tive of the institution. Within four years the enrollment of students has been doubled, a flourishing summer school has been conducted, and the college alumni association has been effectively organized. The college offers courses in the arts and sciences, and has divinity and normal departments, besides sustaining well ordered departments of voice, expression and piano. At the present time (summer of 1923) the faculty of the college numbers fifteen members, and at least one more department it to be added. The academy department was discontinued in 1920, but one year of pre-freshman work is given.

Ashland College has a long and honorable history, and counts among its alumni two college presidents, one lieutenant governor, court judges, clergymen, missionaries, Young Men's Christian Association and Young Women's Christian Association workers, business men, successful farmers and representatives of many other professions.

In connection with the college, and constituting an integral part of the institution, is the Theological Seminary of the Brethren Church. This offers the usual seminary course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. Rev. J. Allen Miller, D. D., has been the dean of the Theological Seminary continuously since the college was reopened in 1898.

The property of the institution stands in the name of the Ashland College Board of Trustees, the members of which are elected by the board itself after having been nominated by the several district conferences of the Brethren Church. At the present time there are thirty-three members, Ohio being represented by nine members. The board elects annually three members from the City of Ashland, and thus Ohio quota is increased to twelve board members. At the time of this writing Hon. Orion E. Bowman, of Dayton, Ohio, is president of the board, and R. R. Teeter, of Ashland, is its secretary. The annual meeting of the board is usually held in April.

Alexander M. Swan is proprietor of the Swan Lumber Company of Marietta. His business consists of two plants, that handling building materials being located at Third and Butler Streets, while the planing mill and lumber yard are at Philips Street and the Pennsylvania Railroad. This business was established in 1912. Mr. Swan has been very successful in his affairs, and is a very popular and able citizen of Marietta.

He was born in Tyler County, West Virginia, October 22, 1877, son of Thomas J. and Hannah Gorrell Swan. His parents were born in Tyler County, and his father died in 1900, at the age of sixty-three, and his mother in 1908. Thomas J. Swan was a miller and farmer, operating several milling plants and water mills. He was a member of the Methodist Church, and a democrat in politics. There are two children, Alexander M. and Hattie E., wife of James Pierpoint, who lives on the old farm homestead in West Virginia.

Alexander M. Swan was a farm boy, working in the fields and in his father's mills, attending country schools, and also a grade school. At the age of twenty-one he married Sally Furbee, and soon afterward moved to Marietta, Ohio. Mr. Swan engaged in the retail grocery business on Second Street for eight years, and on selling his interest, moved out to Loveland, Colorado, where he had four years of business experience. Then, in 1912, he returned to Marietta, and has since engaged in the lumber business.

He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church, and for two years was president of the Bible Class. He belongs to the Rotary Club, is a member of the Masonic Lodge at Loveland, Colorado, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of Syrian Shrine at Cincinnati. For two years he served as a member of the city council. Mr. Swan is a true son of the mountain state of West Virginia, stands over six feet two inches high, and is broad shouldered and broad also in his mental outlook.

Henry Warren Phelps, of 88 Linwood Avenue, Columbus, now retired, at the age of eighty-five, has had a remarkable career of interesting activities. He was a soldier of the Union during the Civil war, has been a farmer and live stock breeder and dealer, a genealogist and historian, and a leading spirit in the Grange and other movements that have been significant in the history of the past century.

Mr. Phelps was born at the old Phelps homestead three miles south of Westerville, in Franklin County, May 5, 1839. He represents an American family that has been in this country for three centuries. Remotely they were of Italian ancestry, known as the Gulf people, and after immigration became the Guelphs, and finally in England became Phelps. From Tewkesbury, England, William Phelps came to America, being one of the passengers on the ship Mary and John that sailed March 29, 1630, and landed May 30, 1630, the company first settling at Dorchester, Massachusetts, and in 1865, at Windsor, Connecticut. One member of the Phelps family, John Phelps, was clerk at the trial of King Charles the First of England and at the restoration of the Stuarts in England.

Edward Phelps, grandfather of Henry Warren Phelps, was born at Windsor, Connecticut, in 1759, and married Azubah Moore in 1789. In 1806 Edward Phelps, with Isaac Griswold and others, made the long journey from Connecticut with wagon cart, oxen and other equipment, to Ohio, first settling on Alum Creek, four and one-half miles east of Worthington, and three miles south of what became Westerville, at what is now Blendon Four Corners, where the first postoffice was established in that part of the county. Edward Phelps acquired a large tract of land in that vicinity, maintained a home of liberal hospitality, and was one of the acceptive men in the community for many years. He died August 10, 1840, and his wife passed away October 18, 1849, at the age of eighty-four.

Homer Moore Phelps, one of the children of Edward Phelps the pioneer, was born at the Phelps homestead in Franklin County, February 9, 1812. He was a farmer and stock dealer, a good business man and a frequent adviser to his neighbors and friends. He and his brothers, Edward and William, were associated in the ownership of lands in Franklin County. The house built there in 1824 is used as a residence. Homer M. Phelps was treasurer of the old Plank Road Company, and was a whig and later a republican in politics, serving a number of years as justice of the peace and as a contractor. He died June 1, 1883. His wife was Elizabeth Graham Connolly, a neighbor girl whose parents came from Pennsylvania in 1833, locating on Big Walnut, two miles east of the Phelps home. She was born near Lancaster, Pennsylvania, December 8, 1811, and died in August, 1899, when eighty-eight years of age. She had been a member of the Methodist Church for seventy-two years.

H. Warren Phelps was reared at the old homestead, educated in public schools, and on August 1, 1862, enlisted in Company H of the Ninety-fifth Ohio Infantry. He was made first sergeant, was promoted to second lieutenant and then to first lieutenant. He was in the Vicksburg campaign, and had a long and varied service in Tennessee, Mississippi, Arkansas and Missouri, was at the Battle of Nashville, and finally at Spanish Port in Mobile Bay. He was mustered out in August, 1865, after more than three years of service.

After the war Mr. Phelps became a farmer and stock breeder. He is one of the early breeders of dairy cattle, Southdon sheep and Poland China swine, and his enterprise did much to encourage the pure bred live stock industry. He exhibited his live stock at many fairs, and after he left the farm his sons, Rolland C. and Warren D., continued in the pure bred industry, engaging in the Guernsey breed of cattle and gaining fame for their stock through exhibitions. Warren D. became especially well known in the pure bred live stock industry.

In 1896 Mr. Phelps, at the solicitation of his wife, moved to Westerville to educate his children, and since 1900 has been in Columbus. He married in 1868 Miss Louise Maria Clarke, who was born in Franklin County, daughter of George B. and Mindwell E. (Griswold) Clarke and granddaughter of Isaac and Ursula (Clarke) Griswold, this being the Isaac Griswold who accompanied Edward Phelps into Ohio in 1806. Mrs. Phelps was born on the Griswold farm adjoining the Phelps place, and part of that property is still in the family. Mr. and Mrs. Phelps had six children. The oldest, George H., born in 1868, died in 1899, in the midst of a very busy and successful career. The second son, Rolland C. Phelps, was for several years a farmer in Franklin County, and is now a manufacturer of hardwood lumber at Zanesville, Ohio. W. Dwight Phelps, the third son, is in the transfer business at Columbus, and formerly was successfully engaged in farming and the live stock business. The youngest son, Homer Moore, lives at Portland, Oregon. The two daughters are Grace C. and Mary Louise, the former principal of Mount Vernon Avenue Public School, while Mary L. is a bookkeeper. Mrs. Phelps passed away at her home in Columbus, February 17, 1920.

Mr. Phelps in 1898 helped organize the old Northwest Genealogical and Historical Society, serving as its secretary twelve years. Its collection of 4,000 volumes is to occupy an alcove in the new Archæological Society Building at Columbus. This society published fifteen volumes of quarterlies, all of those after 1911 being edited by Mr. Phelps. Mr. Phelps also published the history of the Ninety-fifth Regiment of Ohio Volunteer Infantry, in which he was an officer, spending ten years in research and selecting and arranging the material for the notable regimental history. Mr. Phelps was also joint editor of the Phelps family history in America. He began making reports on weather conditions to the United States Weather Bureau in 1883, and kept up that custom until recent years. He was also a reporter for the State Board of Health. He joined the Grange in 1874, being one of the few who have held membership in that agricultural organization for half a century. In politics he has been a republican, and was delegate to various conventions of that party. He was a delegate from Ohio to the World's Farmers at the Chicago Columbian Exposition in 1893. Over forty years ago he was an advocate of cooperative marketing, an idea that within recent years has made remarkable progress in practice. He was one of the founders of the Log Cabin Society, is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was secretary for twenty years of the Ex-Soldiers and Sailors Association of Franklin County. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

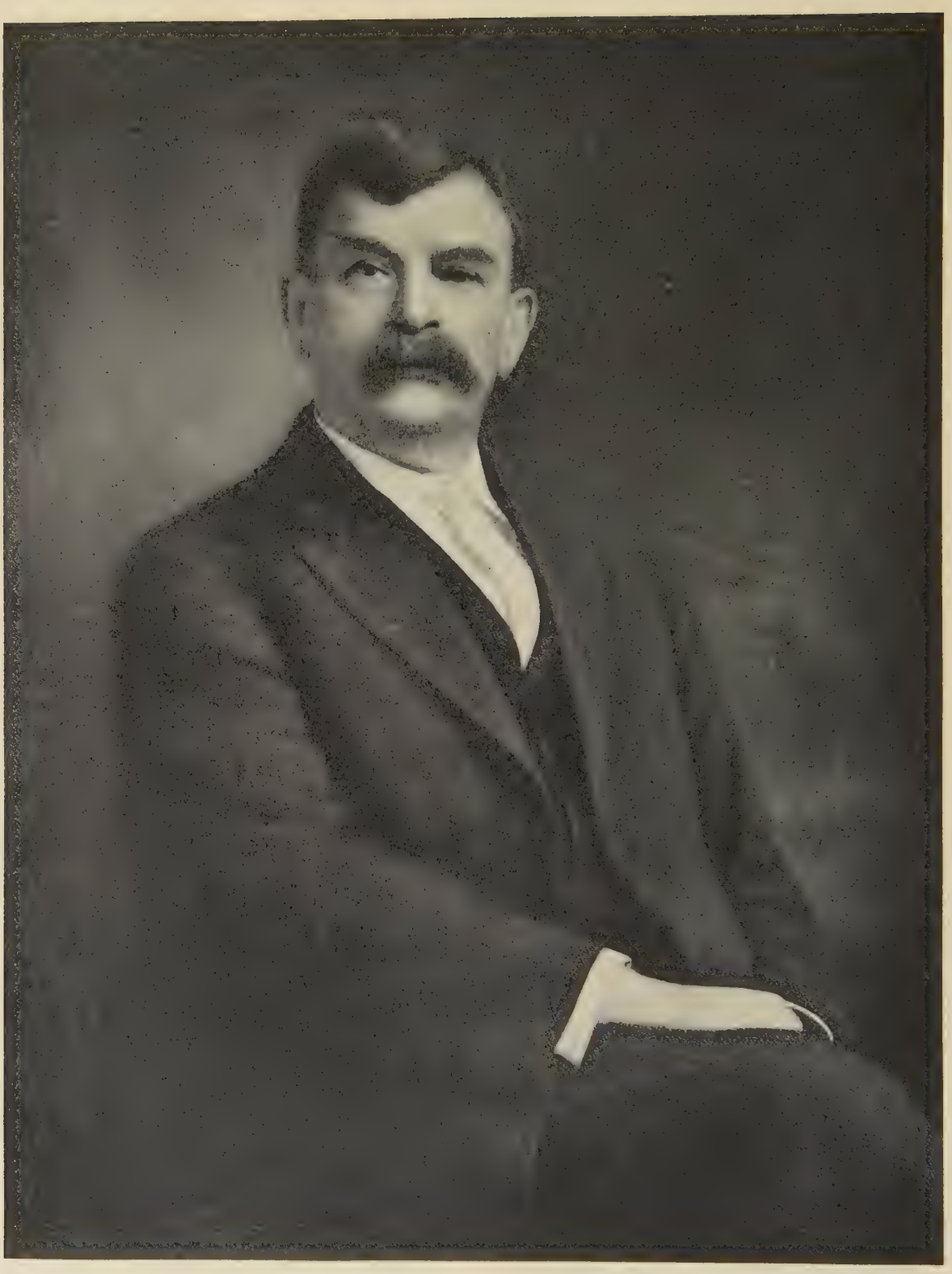
Rev. L. Eugene Rush. There is hardly a better instance of a definite calling to the ministry, based on qualifications of character and devotion to the ideals of service to humanity and God, than is found in the pastor of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church of Delaware, Rev. L. Eugene Rush.

Reverend Rush was born at Hayesville, Ashland County, Ohio, July 5, 1879, son of Freeman K. and Henrietta (Hough) Rush. His grandfather, William Rush, who was from the same line of Rushes as Dr. Benjamin Rush, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, married a Miss Freeman. The maternal grandparents were Solomon and Rebecca (Otto) Hough, the Houghs coming from Pennsylvania. On both sides there were Revolutionary ancestors. Freeman K. Rush, who is still living, was a union soldier in the Civil war. He had been a member of the local militia at the beginning of the war, and went into the volunteer army without getting a discharge. This discharge from the militia he received at the state capital at Columbus during the governorship of Frank B. Willis a few years ago, where it had been held all this time. He went out in Company C of the One Hundred and Twentieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. This regiment sustained such heavy losses during the Red River campaign that it was consolidated with the One Hundred and Fourteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, Freeman Rush being assigned to Company I. This regiment, too, became disorganized through losses, and the remnant of the regiment was consolidated with the Forty-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and Freeman Rush served in Company B until he was mustered out of service at Galveston, Texas, in August, 1866, when he was given an honorable discharge. During the latter part of his service he served on the staff of Major General Wright.

He served as mayor of Hayesville, was a member of the School Board, was past commander of the great army post and was a colonel on the governor's staff. He also was a very regular and devout church man and a member of the Official Board of the Methodist Church. His business at Hayesville was blacksmithing, and his successor was his son, Reverend Rush.

L. Eugene Rush attended public school at Hayesville, graduating from high school in 1898. At that time he tried to enlist for the Spanish-American war, but his weight was lacking in proportion to his height. While not enjoying the best of health, he went to work in his father's blacksmith shop, and when his father suffered a nervous breakdown he took over the shop and conducted it for eleven years.

All this time he was doing his share of church work as a layman. During the seventh year he was in the shop he attended the first big national meeting of the Foreign Missionary Board at Cleveland. While there he felt called to missionary work and made application to the board as an industrial missionary to South Africa. All matters were arranged in readiness for his departure. Then, upon the examination of his wife, it was found that she did not measure up to the physical requirements, and for that reason the mission had to be abandoned. It was a great disappointment to Mr. Rush. However, he returned to the blacksmith shop, and while working at his trade continued his studies and on a number of occasions filled the pulpits of churches in his locality. He did this work as a supply for about four years. Then it came about that the church of Hayesville was without a pastor. He acted as minister until the Quarterly Conference met, and by that body was chosen to finish out the year. At this time he sold the blacksmith business and moved into the parsonage. In September, 1908, Reverend Rush was appointed pastor of the Grace M. E. Church of Delaware, giving him opportunity to pursue his studies at Ohio Wesleyan University. After he had been there two years the Freedmen's Aid Society asked him to change his course and specialize in industrial work, to qualify as an instructor in Clark University at Atlanta, Georgia. He finished his preparatory work, but in the meantime Grace Church had enjoyed such a remarkable growth and prosperity that the citizens of Delaware, by a big petition, asked the conference to allow him to remain. The request was granted. When the time



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came again to change pastorates, another appeal was made by the citizens, so that now Reverend Rush is regarded as a fixture in the ministry at Delaware.

The community appreciates all the splendid work of his pastorate, but will never fail to remember especially his leadership and courage during the great flood of 1913, when the east side of the city was completely cut off by the high waters. At a meeting of East Side citizens Reverend Rush was unanimously selected as the temporary East Side mayor, with a full quota of officers to handle the emergency situation. In addition Reverend Rush exerted himself strenuously in rescue work, saving many lives and having three boats smashed under him. When the State Health Department got into communication he was delegated with full authority by that body. Many of his deeds during those tragic days were apparently inspired. He showed the gift of the true executive. One of the first things he did was to commandeer all food, furniture, stoves, coal and building material, and put his men in charge with instructions to keep accurate account of all supplies delivered. On the second day acts of vandalism began, but the offenders were met by armed men who locked them into box cars and shipped them out of town. The adjutant-general of the state gave Reverend Rush full authority to maintain law and order, and the town was practically under martial law for a number of days. In view of all that was accomplished under his lead during these memorable days it is not strange that every class of citizen of Delaware should demand his retention by the conference in his congenial post of labor as pastor of Grace Church. He is an able preacher, and even more successful as a pastor. One feature of his work has been the great sympathy shown by him in all his relations with children and young people and he has earned their confidence.

June 23, 1902, at Hayesville, Reverend Rush married Miss Olive Ethel Doerrer, daughter of Charles and Alice (Shenberger) Doerrer. Her parents are Ohio people and are living at Hayesville, where her father for many years was a farmer and is now in the postal service. Mr. and Mrs. Rush have four children: Ralph Eugene, Alice Alberta, Martha Olive and Robert Doerrer. The son Ralph and the daughter Alice, are students in Ohio Wesleyan University. Alice, completing her high school course, won the first prize in 1922 for an essay in state high school contests, in which representatives of forty-nine high schools competed.

Harry G. Chamberlain. The Crescent Supply Company of Marietta, of which Harry G. Chamberlain is president, is one of the leading organizations in Southeastern Ohio engaged in the production of petroleum and the manufacture of petroleum by-products. The business was started in 1896 as a partnership, and in 1906 was incorporated. The original partners were W. T. Schnaufer and H. G. Chamberlain. The plant was established in West Marietta, and was moved to its present location at Norwood in 1913.

A diversity of interests makes Mr. Chamberlain one of the outstanding citizens of Marietta. He was born in that city, February 12, 1865, son of Luman Watson and Adeline (Ellenwood) Chamberlain. His parents were natives of Washington County, Ohio. L. W. Chamberlain, who died May 22, 1903, at the age of seventy-three, was educated in Marietta, became an attorney and also served as county surveyor. He held the office of probate judge for three terms, was a republican, and a member of the Congregational Church. His wife died on November 11, 1913, leaving three sons and one daughter. The two children now living are Harry G. and Mrs. W. T. Hastings of Marietta.

Harry G. Chamberlain was liberally educated, attending grammar and high schools at Marietta, the Old Marietta Academy and Marietta College. As a youth he expected to follow the profession of law, and read for a time in his father's office, but practical business affairs proved a stronger attraction. His first employment was in the county recorder's office, where he was paid $4 a week for the task of writing twenty-one full pages in long hand each day. Later he was clerk in the Marietta post office.

He became secretary of the Old Argand Refining Company, and was officially connected with that business for ten years, until it was sold to the Standard Oil Company. The Crescent Supply Company, of which he is president, has divided its business into three branches, one known as the Crescent Supply Company, another as the Crescent Producing Company, and the third, the Crescent Lumber Company. Mr. Chamberlain now gives his time to the Crescent Supply Company and the Crescent Producing Company, a manufacturing jobbing house also active in products, operating oil wells in the Ohio and West Virginia fields.

Mr. Chamberlain is a director of the First National Bank, and a former president of the old Marietta Board of Trade. He has been active in county, district, state and national republican politics, is a member of the United Commercial Travelers, a life member of the Order of Elks, a Rotarian, and a member of the Country Club. As a boy he played first base on a ball team for which Ban Johnson played second. Mr. Chamberlain has been an ardent fan, and has attended many world series in base ball. He and his family are Unitarians.

He married Helen Devol, a native of Marietta. They have three children, John Dudley, editor of the Marietta Register, a paper owned by Mr. H. G. Chamberlain, Mrs. K. L. Kelso, of Marietta, and H. G., Junior, a student in the Ohio State University.

Christian Henry Sohn. The progress and advancement of a community is but the reflection of the enterprise and characteristics of those who compose its inhabitants, and in the commercial development, as well as in the social and educational betterment, of Hamilton and Butler County Christian Henry Sohn was long identified in an active and substantial way.

Mr. Sohn was born in the City of Bissingen, in Wurttemberg, Germany, May 15, 1846. His father, Charles Frederick Sohn, came to America about 1849, and after a brief interval settled in Cincinnati, where he followed the calling of a brewer. About that time the mother of Christian Henry Sohn died, leaving a family of two sons and two daughters, and a year after her death the children were brought to America by a cousin. Following his arrival in America, Christian Henry Sohn was given a home in the family of an uncle, J. G. Sohn, of Cincinnati, and there he remained, attending the public schools of that city, until his fourteenth year, when he began earning his own living.

In 1860 he came to Hamilton, having been apprenticed to a butcher, Jacob Rupp, and remained with him until the breaking out of the Civil war. Filled with patriotic ardor for his adopted country, he enlisted for service, but was soon brought back on a writ of habeas corpus, on the charge of having enlisted without the consent of his father, and being under lawful age. In 1863 he engaged as a clerk in a grocery store in Cincinnati, remaining there until he had attained his eighteenth year, when he again enlisted, this time as a member of Company B, One Hundred and Eighty-first Ohio Regiment. He remained with this regiment, participating in all of its engagements, until November 23, 1864, when he was seriously wounded during the progress of the

Battle of Murfreesboro, and after a long siege in the hospital, was sent home on furlough. His company was mustered out of the service and he received his honorable discharge July 14, 1865. For more than a year following his discharge he was an invalid and a constant sufferer from the effects of his wound. Later he was able to take up work, which he did by accepting a position in a brick yard in Hamilton, and in 1869 became bookkeeper for Henry Egar in a brewery.

In 1875 was organized the firm of Sohn, Rentschler & Balle, founders and manufacturers of shelf hardware. The capital of this new enterprise was principally represented by the courage and enterprise of its founders. The following year Mr. Balle retired from the partnership, and the reorganization brought into existence the firm of Sohn and Rentschler. Under the able management of the two men at the head of the business this firm later became one of the best known manufacturers of shelf hardware and gray iron castings in the entire country, and has long been one of Hamilton's leading industrial establishments.

As the passing years brought merited prosperity Mr. Sohn became financially interested in other industrial enterprises, and was always a prominent figure in promoting the industrial growth of his home city. At the time of his death, which occurred January 17, 1915, he was treasurer of the Hooven, Owens, Rentschler Company, manufacturers of portable and stationary engines and threshers, and another one of Hamilton's important manufacturing enterprises. He was also one of the founders of the Phoenix Castor Company, and a shareholder in numerous other important enterprises. The disastrous flood which swept the city in 1913 brought heavy damage to Hamilton, but Mr. Sohn was one of those men to whom discouragement was an unknown factor, and the modern manufacturing plants which have succeeded those swept away stand as monuments to the spirit of resolute energy and determination of the builders, while the increased output of the new plants confirm the wisdom of the optimism displayed.

Mr. Sohn was twice married. His first wife was Anna Sophia Morgenthaler, who died leaving no children. January 16, 1907, he was united in marriage with Miss Emma A. Roegge, who still survives him. Mrs. Sohn is a native of Cincinnati, and a daughter of Henry and Mary (Lilly) Roegge, both of whom are deceased. Her father was for many years a well known merchant of Cincinnati.

Christian Henry Sohn was a man of sterling character, shrewd and practical, though absolutely just and fair in all of his dealings, and his success in life was never won at the price of another's downfall. In society and among his friends he was known as a genial, affable man who won and held friendships, and whose sterling qualities commanded the respect of all who knew him.

C. Arthur Morrison, former president of the Ohio Funeral Directors Association, now gives most of his time to his duties as an officer in an automobile tire company.

Mr. Morrison represents a pioneer family of Franklin County, and was born on his father's farm in Plain Township July 25, 1875, son of Charles Wesley and Loretta (Roberts) Morrison. His mother is still living in Ohio. His great-great-grandfather, David Morrison, was one of three brothers who came from England in the army sent over by Great Britain to fight the colonies in their struggle for independence. David deserted and joined the colonists. His son, David Morrison, married Nancy Mann, of old Holland Dutch stock. The Manns were pioneers of Morristown, New Jersey, and Morristown was named from David Morrison, the first prominent settler. Grandfather David Morrison, on coming to Ohio, settled in Franklin County and developed the farm where his son Charles Wesley and his grandson, C. Arthur, were both born. Nancy Mann was also connected with the Oldham family, a family of the English nobility and identified with the early history of Morristown, New Jersey. In the maternal line Loretta Roberts is a descendant of Bear Roberts, who was a Colonial settler in New England, coming from England. Mr. Morrison had several ancestors in the American Revolution. Charles Wesley Morrison was a farmer in early life, and also a stage driver in the days before railroads. He drove one of the old-fashioned stage coaches on the route from Columbus to Mount Sterling and from Columbus to Kirkersville. He finally left the farm and moved to Delaware, where he engaged in the undertaking business. He was a very active member and on the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was master of the Masonic Lodge at New Albany.

C. Arthur Morrison was educated in public schools, attended high school, the Presbyterian Temple College and the Normal School at Reynoldsburg, Franklin County. At the age of nineteen he began teaching, a profession he followed for five years. Part of the time he was connected with the schools at New Albany and also with district schools. During the last three years he studied medicine under Doctor Gravina.

From the educational profession he joined his father in the undertaking business at Delaware in 1900. Mr. Morrison gave most of his time to the undertaking business until 1921. He is one of the best known funeral directors in the state. His activity in behalf of the profession brought him the distinction of being elected president in 1915 at the Funeral Directors Association. He made many speeches over the state and otherwise exercised his influence toward getting the Legislature to adopt revised and higher standards for embalmers and funeral directors.

Mr. Morrison is treasurer and a director of the Rainbow Tire and Rubber Company. This company owns license on a puncture proof inner tube which has been submitted to the most rigid tests and pronounced one of the big things in the automobile world. The plant for manufacturing these tubes is located at Delaware, and the main offices of the company are in Columbus.

Mr. Morrison is a leader in church work, being a steward and on the Official Board of the William Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Delaware and superintendent of its Sunday school. He joined the church when he was sixteen years of age. He is a republican in politics.

October 22, 1902, in Delaware County, Mr. Morrison married Miss Gertrude L. Finch, daughter of Harmon and Mary A. (Ferguson) Finch, both Ohio people and now deceased. Her father was a farmer, and was a trustee and steward of the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison have three sons and one daughter, Dorris, Charles, Donald and Lloyd. Dorris graduated from high school in 1923. The children are all musical in their tastes and talents, and derive these qualities in large part from their father, who in his younger days played an instrument in the band and has always kept up his interest in musical matters.

Daniel Frederick Wallenfelsz, M. D. Having put all his early earnings and capital into his medical education, Doctor Wallenfelsz when he located at Pleasant City in Guernsey County was well equipped for the work of his profession but without other

Four Generations of the Thomas H. Dill Family

capital. He has exhibited remarkable energy in everything he has undertaken, and is not only the leading physician, but one of the bankers of Pleasant City.

He was born on a farm near Dalzell, in Washington County, Ohio, March 11, 1871. His father, Casper Wallenfelsz, who was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, August 11, 1828, learned the stone cutter's trade in his native land. In 1856, accompanied by his mother and sister, he came to America, living for a time in Cleveland, and in 1858 moved to Washington County, Ohio. In the early years he worked at his trade and lived on a farm, gradually accumulating extensive farming interests that required all his attention. He was one of the county's prosperous citizens, a devout Lutheran and a democrat in politics. Casper Wallenfelsz, who died January 5, 1908, married Saloma Ruch. She was born in Alsace, April 22, 1832, came to the United States in 1841, at the age of nine, being on the voyage seventy-two days, and she died January 4, 1908, aged seventy-six.

Ninth in a large family of eleven children, Daniel Frederick Wallenfelsz was reared in a comfortable home, but early had to contrive his own opportunities for any advancement beyond the opportunities of the local schools and his immediate circumstances. He was educated in public schools and summer normal school, and for eleven years taught in country districts. Teaching paid his way through medical college, and he graduated with high standing in his class from Starling Medical College in Columbus in 1902. Following his graduation he was an interne and resident house physician at Saint Francis Hospital in Columbus, and on June 6, 1903, established himself in Pleasant City, Guernsey County, where for over twenty years he has been constantly busy in handling his general practice. He is a member of the Guernsey County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and is a willing worker in all community projects.

Doctor Wallenfelsz was formerly a director of the Peoples State Bank, and in October, 1916, assisted in organizing and became vice president of the Pleasant City State Bank. The handsome bank building was erected in 1917, and since January 1, 1923, Doctor Wallenfelsz has been president of this substantial institution. He also owns the finest home in Pleasant City, and adjoining it on the principal business street has erected a fine store building. Doctor Wallenfelsz enjoys hunting and fishing, was a member of the Volunteer Medical Service Corps during the World war, is a Methodist, and fraternally is affiliated with Masterton Lodge No. 429, Free and Accepted Masons, Cambridge Chapter No. 53, Royal Arch Masons, Cambridge Council No. 74, Royal and Select Masters, Cambridge Commandery No. 47, Knights Templar, Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He also belonged to Pleasant City Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

Doctor Wallenfelsz on June 3, 1903, married Miss Laura B. Hall, a native of Washington County, Ohio. Her father, William M. Hall, was born near old Washington, in Guernsey County, was a quiet and industrious farmer, a member of the Methodist Church, and died in November, 1921, at the venerable age of ninety-four. Her mother bore the maiden name of Sarah Anna Forshey, and died in March, 1918, aged seventy-six. Mrs. Wallenfelsz is an active worker in the Methodist Church at Pleasant City.

William Harvey Smith. His extensive general practice and his many civic and business interests during the past twenty years have made William Harvey Smith one of the best known attorneys and men of affairs in Noble County. He was born in that county, and for many years before taking up the profession of law was engaged in teaching.

He was born on a farm October 14, 1867, son of Henry and Mary J. (Spence) Smith, his parents also natives of Noble County. His father at the age of sixteen enlisted as a Union soldier in the One Hundred and Eighty-fifth Ohio Infantry, and saw service during the last year of the war. Afterwards he took up farming, but since 1909 has been a guard in the Ohio State Penitentiary at Columbus.

With a boyhood spent on a farm in Noble County, William Harvey Smith made the best of his advantages in the public schools, and, obtaining a teacher's certificate, he started work in one of the rural school districts, and for many years was well known in the educational circles of Washington and Noble counties. In the meantime he was advancing his own education, and in 1902 graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree from the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. While teaching he also took up the study of law, reading under Hon. Martin D. Follett, of Marietta.

Mr. Smith was admitted to the bar in 1900, but continued teaching until 1904, when he located at Caldwell and for ten years was associated in practice with Judge C. O. Dye. For the past ten years he has conducted his practice alone, and has come to rank with the leaders of the local bar. He was elected county attorney in 1905 and again in 1910, winning the election on the democratic ticket in a county largely republican. He has served as chairman of the County Central and Executive committees of the democratic party.

He is a director of and attorney for the Caldwell Building and Loan Association. Since youth Mr. Smith has been a devoted nature lover, and this interest in outdoors has brought him two hobbies, chicken raising and the love of fine horses. He has a flock of chickens that represent some of the finest breeding in this part of Ohio. He is superintendent of the racing department in the Noble County Fair Association. During the World war he participated in all the drives. Mr. Smith is past chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias and has also been district deputy grand chancellor, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

On October 27, 1891, he married Miss Effie C. Archer, a native of Noble County. Her father, Bell Archer, was born in Stock Township of Noble County in 1845, and for fifty-one years was a teacher in the schools of the county. Her mother was Clara Thompson Archer, who died February, 1924. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Smith are: Marjorie, wife of Dr. L. B. Walters, a dentist at Caldwell, and she is the mother of a daughter, Mary Elane, Harold A. and Helen.

Thomas H. Dill, one of the venerable retired citizens of the fair capital City of Columbus, where he and his wife have their attractive and hospitable home at 20 West Hinman Avenue, has been a resident of Ohio since he was a youth of seventeen years, and where he has made not only a record of successful achievement but has also served as a member of the State Legislature and as mayor or president of the common council at Lithopolis, Fairfield County.

Mr. Dill was born in Kent County, Delaware, in the year 1839, and is a son of Philemon and Rebecca (Hurd) Dill. He is a scion of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and the Dill family was early established in Maryland, where several of its generations worthily lived and wrought. In the schools of his native state Mr. Dill received his preliminary education, and in 1856, at the age of seventeen years, he came to Ohio, where for two terms he was a student in Oberlin College. He gave some time also to the study of law, but the basic industry of agriculture made greater appeal to him than the dry intricacies of jurisprudence, with the

result that he engaged in farm enterprise in Morrow County, where he remained eight years. He next passed one year in Fairfield County, and then returned to Morrow County, where he continued his farm activities six years. During the ensuing four years he maintained his residence at Westernville, Franklin County, and in 1877 he purchased a farm in Bloom Township, Fairfield County, near the Village of Lithopolis. In that county he continued an honored and influential citizen for the long period of twenty-six years, and since 1903 he has lived virtually retired, in the City of Columbus.

In 1888 Mr. Dill was elected representative of Fairfield County in the Lower House of the Ohio Legislature, he having made a record in the advancing of constructive and wise legislation in the Sixty-eighth session of the Legislature, and also in the Sixty-ninth, as the popular estimate placed upon his service was shown in his reelection in 1890. He was assigned to various House committees of major importance, including that on agriculture, but his work in the Legislature is best remembered in connection with the prominent and influential part which he played in the initial legislative movement for the establishing of local option in Ohio, a movement that was a very part of the subsequent activities that led to national prohibition of the liquor traffic. Mr. Dill has always been an ardent apostle of temperance, and when in the Sixty-eighth session of the Ohio Legislature there came up for consideration the matter of giving local option powers to the counties of the state, he was one of the most virile, loyal and persistent advocates of the proposed legislation, his vote having been cast in support of the measure, which was carried by a majority of only one vote. By his activities in this connection Mr. Dill won many loyal friends among high-minded and representative citizens of the Buckeye State, and also gained secure vantage-ground in county and state politics. He has always been aligned in the ranks of the democratic party, and it was on the ticket of this party that he was elected to the Legislature. He held for six years the office of mayor or president of the municipal government of Lithopolis, and gave a characteristically loyal and effective administration.

Mr. Dill had the distinction also of being chosen an Ohio delegate to the Western and Southern Commercial Congress held at Kansas City, Missouri, in April, 1891. This congress was an assemblage of governors and other public officials and leading professional and business men from all of the Middle, Western and Southern states, and Mr. Dill was made chairman of the committee of organization, to which was assigned the selection of the president of the congress, an honor which fell to Hon. David R. Francis, of Missouri.

Mr. Dill has substantial property interests to attest the constructive results of his many years of earnest endeavor since he established his home in the Buckeye State, and in his venerable years he is enjoying the comfort and repose that should ever attend those who have thus lived and wrought to goodly ends.

In the year 1858 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Dill and Miss Marian Harris, daughter of Philemon and Jane (Needles) Harris and a granddaughter of George Needles, who came from his native state of Delaware to Ohio in 1803, and became one of the first settlers—in fact the first taxpayer—in Fairfield County, where he reclaimed from the forest wilds a productive farm in Bloom Township, the first Methodist Episcopal Church in that county having been organized in his home. Mr. Dill has been an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for sixty-five years, and his wife for an even longer period. They are now among the most venerable and revered members of the South Methodist Episcopal Church in their home City of Columbus, and in the gracious evening of their lives they may well feel that "their lines are cast in pleasant places." Mr. and Mrs. Dill have three children: Willard, Philemon C. and Nellie.

Well worthy of preservation in this connection are the following extracts from a Columbus newspaper of recent date: "Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Dill will celebrate their sixty-sixth wedding anniversary March 5, 1924. Mr. Dill is one of the oldest church members in Columbus, and will be honor guest Monday evening at a reception celebrating his eighty-fifth birthday, to be held in South High Street Baptist Church. He has been a teacher of Bible classes for more than sixty years." It may further be noted that this occasion was made one of noteworthy order in the church circles of the capital city, and that the wedding anniversary of this gracious and loved couple of venerable citizens was marked by their reception of innumerable tributes of honor from their host of friends.

Homer Johnson has been one of Caldwell's most active business men and workers for the community welfare and prosperity of that Noble County town. His own career has been spent as a teacher, farmer and merchant. He is now the active executive in the Caldwell Produce Company.

Mr. Johnson was born at the old county seat of Noble County, Sarahsville, April 29, 1878. His grandfather, Reed Johnson, came from Rhode Island to Ohio, and established the family in Noble County. Thomas Buckley Johnson, father of Homer, was born at Sarahsville, and has spent his active career as a farmer. He is a republican and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His wife, Alberta Davis, was also born in Noble County.

Homer Johnson grew up on the farm, attended public schools, and at the age of eighteen qualified as a teacher. During the next sixteen years he alternated between farming and teaching in Center Township, and a large number of his old pupils testify to the inspiring quality of his service as an educator. Mr. Johnson in 1913 became clerk of court at Caldwell, and filled that office two terms. For a short time after retiring from office he was a clerk in the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Caldwell, but later in 1917, took his present offices as vice president and general manager of the Caldwell Produce Company. This company deals in butter, eggs and poultry, manufactures the Caldwell brand of creamery butter, and has a model plant for its business. The company is a subsidiary of the Newcomerstown Produce Company.

Mr. Johnson for a number of years has practiced as a recreation the growing of flowers, and has used his skill to adorn not only his home but the grounds of his business plant. Another recreation is hunting and fishing. He is an active member of the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is a republican, and is affiliated with the Masonic Order and Knights of Pythias.

He married at Sarahsville, July 29, 1901, Winnie Belle Perry, who was born there. Her father, the late Francis Perry, was a brick layer by trade, was a Union soldier, serving throughout the four years of the Civil war, and late in life engaged in the general nursery business at Sarahsville. Mrs. Johnson is an active worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church and also the Woman's Clubs in Caldwell. They have five children, Okey, Virgil, Pauline, Dorothy and Geneva. Okey is now connected with the Blue Valley Creamery Company. Virgil is in his second year in Wittenberg College at Springfield, Ohio. Pauline will enter Bliss College at Columbus, Ohio, September 1, 1924. Dorothy and Geneva are attending the local schools.

James Underwood

J. Walter Donaldson, M. D. For more than twenty years Doctor Donaldson has been a hard working physician and surgeon at Marietta. During this time he has been a leader in public health work, and much of his time has been devoted to a service such as only a professional man can render, but which has little direct remuneration in money. For fifteen years he was township health officer, and since August, 1920, has been city health officer of Marietta.

Doctor Donaldson was born on a farm in Mercer County, Pennsylvania, July 15, 1873, son of Alexander and Mary (Calvin) Donaldson. Alexander Donaldson, who died September 19, 1922, at the age of eighty-one, served four years as a Union soldier through the Civil war, being a member of Company B, of the One Hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry in the Ninth Army Corps. He was offered a commission, but declined. He participated in twenty-six major battles, being in Virginia, as far south as Florida and also at the siege of Vicksburg. For some time he was a prisoner at Libby Prison and at Belle Isle, and in the battle of the Wilderness received two wounds, one in the scalp and was shot through the hand. After the war his career was devoted to farming. His widow passed away February 11, 1924, in Pennsylvania. There were two children, a son and daughter.

J. Walter Donaldson was reared in the rugged country of Mercer County, Pennsylvania, and after the common schools attended Grove City College in his native county, and was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Marietta College in 1897. He took up the study of medicine in the Medical Department of the University of Pittsburgh, in the Homeopathic School, and after a year entered the College of Homeopathy at Cleveland, graduating in 1901. Since that year he has been engaged in private practice at Marietta. For the past two years he has been a member of the Executive Board of the Ohio State Institute of Homeopathy, and is a member of the County, State and American Medical associations. For ten years he has taught physiology and anatomy in the Nurses Training School at Marietta.

Doctor Donaldson was a volunteer at the time of the World war, received a commission in the American Reserve Corps, but was not called to active duty. He was examining surgeon on the Local Draft Board and is now a member of the Pension Board. He belongs to the Sons of Veterans, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Red Men, Woodmen and is a republican in politics. He was a member of the City Council from 1908 to 1914, being president of the Council the last two years.

In 1901 he married Miss Mary P. Simpson, daughter of John S. Simpson. They have two children, John A., who recently graduated from Marietta College, and Ruth, a student in high school. The family are members of the First Congregational Church, Mrs. Donaldson and her son John teaching classes in the Sunday school.

James Underwood, superintendent of public parks of Columbus, is by early training and many years of experience an authority on everything connected with the growing and propagation of trees and plants and on the different phases of landscape gardening. Practically his entire life has been lived on the border of Franklin Park, of which he was superintendent before being elevated to the present responsibility, where he has charge of all of the parks of the city.

Mr. Underwood was born in Columbus, and his father, the late John Underwood, was one of the old time citizens, and was highly esteemed both as an individual and a business man. He located at Columbus in 1865 and started in the green house and nursery business. That was his occupation all his life, and he was known as an authority on everything connected with the growing of plants and trees. His knowledge combined both the scientific and practical. John Underwood died at Columbus in 1903, at the age of eighty-four years.

James Underwood grew up on the border of Franklin Park, his present home. The original Underwood home was on Kelton Avenue, near the southwest corner of the park. After attending the public schools, he worked for his father and grew up in the floral nursery and landscape business.

In the meantime, on August 1, 1900, Mr. Underwood was appointed superintendent of Franklin Park, and he has continued to serve the city government in the field where his qualifications are most expert for over twenty years. In 1911 the Forestry Department was created, Mr. Underwood being placed in charge of this department in addition to his duties as park superintendent. Then, in 1917, when the entire system of municipal parks and park places were combined under one jurisdiction, Mr. Underwood was given the title of superintendent of public parks and chief tree warden.

In this office he has charge of about sixty-five parks and street plots, including all the parkways where trees are planted outside of the property lines. In the park system of Columbus, Franklin Park stands out as the largest and most conspicuous, containing over 142 acres, and is a place of beauty and a source of pride to the city. Mr. Underwood directs the work of a large staff, having charge of the care of the different parks, the operation of the greenhouses and the handling of the trees and plants and other items in the landscape gardening program conducted by the city.

Mr. Underwood married Miss Fannie McIntroy. He had the misfortune to lose his wife by death in the summer of 1923. His two sons are James Franklin and Edward Karb Underwood.

Samuel H. Putnam, of Washington County, Ohio, at the time of his death was a retired business man and extensive land owner and occupied the old family residence at 519 Fourth Street in Marietta.

The Putnam family came from Buckinghamshire, England, and in America located at Salem, Massachusetts. Maj.-Gen. Israel Putnam was born at Salem, Village, near Danvers, January 7, 1718. His son, Col. Israel Putnam, was also born at Salem, January 28, 1740. Of these historic figures nothing need be mentioned in this brief article beyond their names. A son of Col. Israel Putnam was David Putnam, who was born February 24, 1769, and was the founder of this particular branch of the Putnam family in Washington County, Ohio. He was a native of Connecticut, and was a single man when he moved to Washington County, Ohio, in 1790, joining the first permanent colony at Marietta. Eight years later he returned to Connecticut and was married, and became a clerk in the Ohio Company's purchase office, being one of the first employed by Gen. Rufus Putnam. David Putnam was a lawyer by profession, and dealt extensively in real estate, leaving a large amount of property when he died. He also held the office of postmaster. David Putnam married Elizabeth Perkins, of Plainfield, Connecticut, on September 16, 1798. Of their twelve children the last survivor was Douglas Putnam.

Douglas Putnam, father of Samuel H. Putnam, was born in Washington County, Ohio, April 7, 1806, and died December 20, 1894, at the age of eighty-eight years, eight months, thirteen days. He was engaged in the real estate business and was also connected with a bucket factory for many years. He assisted in the construction of the first railroad between Marietta and Parkersburg, a road later sold to the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern Railway Com-

pany. He was secretary of Marietta College from its infancy to the day of his death, 1835-1894. His activities and affairs made him one of the very prominent men in and about Marietta.

On February 16, 1831, Douglas Putnam married Mary Ann Hildreth, a daughter of the distinguished Dr. S. P. Hildreth, physician, scientist and historian. She died October 24, 1842, leaving five children: Benjamin, deceased; Samuel H., Douglas, president of the Iron Works at Ashland, Kentucky; John Day and Harriet Day, both of whom died in childhood. On May 16, 1844, Douglas Putnam married as his second wife Mrs. Ann Eliza Tucker, a daughter of Levi and Eliza Whipple. She died September 9, 1862, leaving two children: Mary Hildreth, who married Dr. Frank H. Bosworth, of New York; and Eliza Whipple, wife of C. S. McCandlish, of Parkersburg, West Virginia. Douglas Putnam was married the third time, January 24, 1867, to Sara C. Diamond, of Springfield, Massachusetts.

Samuel H. Putnam, son of Douglas and Mary Ann (Hildreth) Putnam, was born at Harmer, in Washington County, Ohio, June 19, 1835. He was reared in his native community, engaged in clerking for a time, and in 1856 became identified with the bucket factory, an industry with which his name and service were identified for many years. Before the war he became a member of the State Militia, and in 1861 enlisted in Company L of the First Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Cavalry. This was the first regiment of cavalry raised in Ohio for the Civil war. He rose to the rank of first lieutenant, and for a time was with the escort of Gen. George H. Thomas, commander of the Fourteenth Army Corps. He served nearly three years, then returning home to attend to his manufacturing interests. He was active in the bucket factory until 1885 and afterward lived practically retired, though supervising the management of a farm. Samuel H. Putnam was a member of Buell Post No. 178, Grand Army of the Republic, and a member of the Harmer Congregational Church. The home where he and his family live at 519 Fourth Street, was built in 1798 by David Putnam. Samuel H. Putnam died May 2, 1911.

October 18, 1866, he married Abigail Forbes Mixer, who was born April 12, 1839, at Unionville, Lake County, Ohio, and died June 20, 1924. The three children of their marriage are Samuel Hildreth, Jr., Benjamin Barnes and Mary Dorcas. Samuel Hildreth, Jr., was born January 10, 1869, and is identified with an assets realization business under the name of Putnam Brothers. His home is in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He married March 31, 1902, Miss Clara Louise Mooney, of Rochester, New York, and has two children Clara, Louise and Samuel H., Jr. The second child, Benjamin Barnes Putnam, is a prominent figure in business and civic circles at Marietta, whose career is given in the following sketch. Mary Dorcas Putnam, youngest child of Samuel H. Putnam, was born May 21, 1879.

Benjamin Hay Putnam, who represents the fifth generation of the Putnam family in Washington County, is an ex-service man of the World war, and since the war has been a member of a prominent general contracting firm doing business over several states.

He was born at Fairfield, Illinois, July 6, 1896, son of Benjamin B. Putnam and grandson of Samuel H. Putnam. A complete record of his father and grandfather and other ancestors is published elsewhere. Benjamin H. Putnam was reared at Marietta, attending the grammar and high schools, Marietta Academy and was a student in Marietta College when he left on account of the war. He had joined the Motor Reserve before America entered the war, and he went overseas with the Motor Transport Division, French Army, being on the battle lines attached to the French Army seven months and then enlisting in the Aviation Corps. He was in actual flying service at the battle lines. His two companions who went with him from Marietta to France, Cramer Tabler and Sol Lindsley, both lost their lives in France. Benjamin Hay Putnam served as a second lieutenant and was promoted to first lieutenant in the Aviation Corps and received his honorable discharge in March, 1919. His brother George was also in the flying service in England, and while with the American Aviation Corps was attached to the Royal Flying Corps of England.

Benjamin H. Putnam married Esther Harrington, daughter of William Harrington, of Marietta. Mr. Putnam is affiliated with the Elks Lodge.

As a youth he was associated with his father in the contracting business, and in 1920 he formed a partnership with a brother of his father's old partner, Mr. Foreman. The firm is now Foreman & Putnam, and is doing building and construction work, comprising large contracts in Ohio and West Virginia. The chief contract of the firm at present is the building of extensive additions to West Virginia University.

Clinton Charles Oesterle, a member of one of the old families of Washington County noted for its sturdy industry, its fine mechanical skill and good citizenship is that represented by Clinton Charles Oesterle, who is proprietor of the Galvan Manufacturing Company at Marietta, and is a veteran of the World war.

He was born in the little village of Constitution, near Marietta, in Washington County, September 20, 1894. His grandfather, Jacob Oesterle, was a native of Germany, and was thirteen years of age when brought to America by his parents, who settled in the vicinity of Marietta. He served an apprenticeship at the trade of wagon making in Cincinnati, and became an expert woodworker. He followed his trade at Lower Salem, Watertown and Unionville, and then at Marietta established the Oesterle shop on the banks of the Muskingum River. His output was the Oesterle wagon, well known for its substantial and enduring qualities, not only in this section of the country, but wherever used. Jacob Oesterle at the time of the Civil war, and when General Morgan invaded Southern Ohio, joined a local organization of militia known as the Twin Cook Brigade or the Squirrel Rifles. He and his family were active Lutherans in religion. He was the father of five sons. His son Henry as a young man worked in the mines of Colorado and the Klondyke, and is now a prosperous banker, hardware merchant and sheepprancher at Prosser, Washington.

Mrs. Oesterle's father was George Parker, of Boaz, West Virginia. Mr. Oesterle is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and his wife is a Baptist.

Clinton Charles and Ralph L. Oesterle are members of the Masonic Order, C. C. being a member of Lodge No. 129 of Williamstown, West Virginia, while Ralph L. is a member of Lodge No. 390 of Marietta. C. C. Oesterle is also a member of the local Kiwanis Club.

The son George became a wagon maker, and worked in the wagon making plant established by his father. Emil is associated with the National Service Station at Marietta. John H. carried on his father's wagon making industry under the name of J. H. Oesterle and Company, and was president of the Liberty building and Loan Association at Marietta when he died.

Jacob F. Oesterle, father of Clinton C., was born at Marietta, and also engaged in the wagon making industry. He married Alice Mitchell, daughter of George Mitchell, of an old family of Southeastern

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Ohio. Jacob F. Oesterle and wife had the following children: Clinton Charles; Ralph L. and Glenn M; Clem, who died in infancy, Alice, wife of Ray McCann, of Marietta; and Edith, wife of E. W. Wagner, of Marietta.

Clinton Charles Oesterle grew up and acquired his education at Marietta. As a boy he was employed in the Galvan plant, and has filled every position in that industry from laborer to owner. Mr. Oesterle married, April 2, 1918, Miss Hope Parker. They did not ask exemption on account of marriage, and both served in the World war. Mr. Oesterle at first was on duty with Company I of the Sixty-eighth Infantry, in training at Columbus Barracks and at Camp Sheridan, Alabama, and after his discharge he immediately volunteered again and was assigned to duty at the naval base at Norfolk, Virginia, where his wife was located. She was on duty there, and both received their discharge June 5, 1919.

Karl D. Marsch. One of the important industries of the City of Marietta is the Marietta Fruit Package and Lumber Company. It was established over thirty years ago, and turns out a product used by fruit growers and shippers all over this section of the Ohio Valley. The manager of the company is Karl D. Marsch, and his father is president.

Karl D. Marsch was born October 16, 1883, son of Jacob P. and Elizabeth (Zimmer) Marsch. His parents were born at Stanleyville, his father on December 20, 1859. Jacob Marsch as a young man worked in a saw mill, and in 1890 moved to Marietta, where for two years he was employed in the hardware store of L. A. Kropp. In 1892 he and John Gearhart and Charles Pape established the Marietta Fruit Package and Lumber Company. They began operations in a building 20 by 40 feet, with six employes. Some years later the business was incorporated, with Jacob Marsch as president and William Plumer as secretary-treasurer. For a number of years the plant drew its material from the hard wood districts of adjoining states, but in order to insure a reliable supply of raw material in 1918 the company established a veneer mill at Boyd, Alabama. The company now runs at a maximum capacity, supplying fruit and berry crates and boxes for the growers in many of the leading fruit counties of Ohio and adjoining states. Jacob P. Marsch is affiliated with the democratic party, served five years on the Marietta City Council and is active in local affairs. He and his wife had three children, Karl D. being the only son.

Karl D. Marsch was educated in the public schools of Marietta and had a business college course. As a boy, in holidays and vacations he worked at his father's plant, grew up in that atmosphere, and since 1918 has been its efficient manager. He is one of the serious and earnest younger business men of Marietta, and while independent in politics concerns himself with the problems of good government.

He married Miss Anna Schultheis, and both are teachers in the First Congregational Sunday School. Two daughters were born to their marriage, Mary Anna dying at the age of seven years, and the living child is Susan.

Arthur Sellmon Bell for over twenty years has had a useful part in the business life of Washington County. He is a banker, farmer and wholesale produce dealer at Waterford. He is secretary of the Waterford Commercial and Savings Bank, having been identified with that institution since it was organized.

Mr. Bell was born on a farm in Pleasants County, West Virginia, February 15, 1882, son of Moses C. and Nancy (Anderson) Bell. His mother died in 1885. Moses C. Bell moved from West Virginia to Ohio in 1901, and is now living as a retired farmer at Waterford, having been active in farming in this community until recent years. He is a republican, and is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church. In the family were three sons and six daughters, the oldest son, William J. Bell, is a West Virginia farmer living at the old homestead in Pleasants County. Another son, Charles R., is in the real estate business at Mount Vernon, Ohio.

Arthur Sellmon Bell was reared in Pleasants County, West Virginia, where he attended country schools. He accompanied his father to Ohio and remained on the farm until he was twenty-three. He then became associated with his brother Charles R. Bell and Mr. Joseph Oliver as partners in a lumber and contracting business. They all learned carpentry and brick laying, and as expert mechanics they shared in the labors of the contracting business, at the same time employing other skilled workers. As contractors they erected some of the finer residences of Beverly, Waterford and surrounding territory.

After three years Arthur S. Bell sold out his interest in this firm, and for fourteen months was engaged in the general mercantile business, then became a farmer, and has since engaged in the wholesale produce business. He still retains his home farm two miles south of Waterford.

Mr. Bell married, June 4, 1905, Miss Mary Hill. She died May 12, 1906, leaving one daughter, Celia May, now a senior in the Waterford High School. On February 6, 1909, Mr. Bell married Kate Bartlett, daughter of Capt. George Bartlett, of Waterford. Her father was captain of Campany B of the Sixty-third Ohio Volunteer Infantry during the Civil war. Mr. and Mrs. Bell have one daughter, Sylvia Marie. Mrs. Bell is a member of the Local School Board. Mr. Bell has always had an interest in local affairs and politics, though he has never been a candidate for office. He is a member of the Christian Church, and is an active member of the Grange and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Hon Walter S. Harlan, judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Butler County, Ohio, was born near the Village of Twenty Mile Stand in Warren County, Ohio, November 9, 1868. His father, Jonathan E. Harlan, was a leading physician in that county. His mother, Elizabeth Nixon Harlan, came from the Nixon family, one of the pioneer families of Warren County.

Judge Harlan followed the course so common to self-made men of his day. He obtained an education, taught school, studied law and was admitted to the bar.

In 1893 he began the practice of law at Middletown, Ohio, and soon obtained prominence in his profession, taking high rank as a trial lawyer. In 1899 he was elected city attorney of Middletown, Ohio, and was reelected without opposition.

In 1904, upon the invitation of Hon. Allen Andrews of Hamilton, Ohio, he entered into partnership with him for the practice of law under the firm name of Andrews and Harlan, and moved for that purpose to Hamilton, Ohio. Upon the entrance of Mr. Andrews' son some time later the firm became Andrews, Harlan and Andrews, and continued as such until Judge Harlan's election to the bench. Judge Harlan took a leading part in the litigation in Butler County, Ohio, as long as he remained at the bar.

He was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court in 1912. At the request of the bar he was a candidate for a second term and was elected without opposition, and at the end of his second term he is again a candidate, with the indorsement of the bar and without opposition. This is a unique record in Butler

County. His decisions are rarely reversed by the reviewing courts.

As a jurist his outstanding characteristics are—a clear, analytical mind, accuracy in statement, a thorough knowledge of the law, courage to administer it without respect to persons, and a delight in administering justice. He has frequently been mentioned for higher judicial positions.

He married Miss Lulu Curryer, of Middletown, Ohio, daughter of Ira Hunt Curryer and Mary Ann (Wicoff) Curryer. Mrs. Harlan has been active and prominent in the social and civil affairs of her city and county, rendering especially valuable services in war time activities.

Fred Price. The Beverly despatch is one of the older papers of Washington County, having been founded in 1877. It is now published by the firm of Price and Holdren. Mr. Fred Price is a veteran printer and newspaper man, well known on both sides of the Ohio River. He began his career at Marietta.

He was born in the City of Marietta, July 9, 1877 son of John N. and Hannah (Hill) Price, also natives of this Ohio city. John N. Price, now seventy-six years of age, has been superintendent of cemeteries at Marietta for twenty-five years. He served a long term as a member of the Harmer School Board, and was on the council of that village when Harmer was annexed to Marietta. He is a republican, a Methodist, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. After the death of his first wife, in 1919, he married Jennie Hoff. John N. Price by his first marriage had three sons and two daughters. The youngest son, Samuel H., is a machinist living at Columbus, and the son Harry died in childhood.

Fred Price spent his boyhood in the old town of Harmer, attending grade schools there. He was fourteen years of age when he went to work in the old Register office in Marietta, and during his apprenticeship learned the printing business in every phase. He was with the Register from 1891 until the printer's strike in 1899, at which time he had charge of the job department. In 1899 he took charge of the power and mechanical department of the Fairmont Free Press at Fairmont, West Virginia, and for six months had charge of the job department of the Grafton Sentinel in West Virginia. After this experience in West Virginia he returned to Marietta, and was connected with the job department of the Marietta Register until 1915.

In 1915 Mr. Price, J. F. Hovey and Harry D. Knox bought at receivers sale the Beverly Dispatch. In December, 1916, the Intercity Printing and Publishing Company was incorporated at Marietta, with H. D. Knox as president. Fred Price, vice president, and J. F. Hovey, secretary-treasurer. This company published the Sunday Morning Observer, the Beverly Dispatch and the Lowell Citizen. In 1916 Mr. Price took over the Dispatch as his interest in the corporation, and since 1920, with Mr. Frank Holdren, has published it as The Beverly Dispatch. This is one of the well edited country newspapers in Southeastern Ohio, independent in politics, and with an extensive circulation through this part of Ohio and in adjoining states. The company maintains a fully equipped job department for commercial printing.

Mr. Price married in 1903, Miss Helen Stossmeister, of Marietta, daughter of Dr. A. Stossmeister. They have one son, Jesse C. Mr. Price is a Presbyterian, treasurer of the Sunday school, is affiliated with Harmer Lodge 390, Free and Accepted Masons, the Masonic Club and the Modern Woodmen of America.

John H. Seely grew up in the atmosphere of a flour mill, learned the business almost at the same time as he learned the alphabet in school, and has spent most of his active life in that official industry in Washington County. He and Edwin W. Pabst are now proprietors of the Waterford Roller Mills. This new plant was erected in 1914 by Mr. Seely and his partner, Mr. H. D. Woodford. Mr. Woodford eighteen months later sold his business to Edward W. Pabst. The firm has a modern, well equipped plant, manufacturing a high grade of flour sold and distributed all over this part of the Ohio Valley.

Mr. Seely was born at Watertown, in Washington County, February 27, 1871, son of John A. and Diantha C. (Laflin) Seely. His mother was born in Washington County, in 1832, and died in 1917, at the advance age of eighty-five. John A. Seely, who was born in Sullivan County, New York, in 1821, learned the miller's trade as a youth, coming to Ohio in 1845, and locating at Watertown. He erected there the Wolf Creek Flour Mill, a plant that was afterwards reequipped and the roller process installed. He continued active in the milling industry until his death in 1891. He exemplified the popular conception of a miller, being kindly, affable, an energetic business man and with a host of friends. During the Civil war he served as a member of the so-called tin cup militia, organized to meet the Morgan raiders and drive them from the state. He and his wife belonged to the Universalist Church at Watertown. They had six children, the only son being John H. Seely.

John H. Seely grew up at Watertown, attending public schools there and spending other portions of the day and holidays and vacations in his father's mill. He was of a mechanical turn of mind and familiarized himself with every detail in the milling business. He dressed the burrs and looked after all other mechanical details. Mr. Seely lived in the house where he was born for a period of forty-two years, and after his father's death he continued the milling business until 1911, when the milling property was sold, after having been in the Seely family for a period of sixty-five years.

Mr. Seely for about two years was engaged in farming, and in December, 1913, moved to Waterford, Washington County, where during the following year he erected the Waterford Rolling Mills. During his long residence at Watertown he served as township clerk and clerk of the school board. He is a charter member of Watertown Lodge, No. 852, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has held all the chairs, and is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter of Masons of Beverly. He is a democrat, and he and his family belong to the Universalist Church.

He and his wife, Laura Wood, were schoolmates at Watertown. Her father is C. B. Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Seely are the parents of five children: Imogene, John, Charlotte, Charles Wood and Carolyn. The daughter Imogene is the wife of E. H. Earnest, a dealer in electrical and plumbing supplies at Waterford. The son John acquired his early education at Watertown, spent three years in Bethany College in West Virginia, and is now in his second year in the Law School at Ohio State University. John Seely has a record of service during the World war, having trained at Camp Sheridan, Alabama, and went overseas with the One Hundred Thirty-sixth Field Artillery in the Thirty-seventh Division. He had some arduous duty during the Argonne campaign and battle, and, returning to the United States, was discharged in April, 1919.

Amos Elmer Roberts. As a result of his various business activities, his public service and his relations with the worthy causes of church and schools and other affairs, Amos Elmer Roberts has long been considered one of the most youthful and influential

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citizens of the Waterford community of Washington County.

Mr. Roberts was born at Swift, in Waterford Township, February 11, 1869, son of Henry and Rowena (Webster) Roberts. In recent years Mr. Roberts has acquired the old homestead where he was born and reared, and uses it as a diversion from his heavier responsibilities. His mother was born in Washington County, and now lives at Utica, Ohio. She is a devout Methodist. The Roberts family has been in this section of Ohio for several generations. His great-grandfather, Abram Roberts, came out of New England and settled on the Muskingum River, near Lake Shute. He died in 1850. His son, Amos Roberts, made his home at what is now Swift's Station, where he was engaged in farming. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Henry Roberts, father of the Waterford business man, was one of two sons. His brother, Elijah, enlisted as a Union soldier in the Civil war, enrolling in the Sixty-third Ohio Regiment, and was killed at New Madrid, Missouri. Henry Roberts, who spent his active life as a farmer, died June 19, 1916, at the age of seventy-two. He was the father of four sons and two daughters: Jennie, the wife of John Love, a farmer near Swift; Amos Elmer; John E., of Zanesville; C. O., a merchant at Beckett Station; W. H., a merchant and an employe of the Baltimore and Ohio Railway, and Cora, wife of Austin McKibben, of Utica, Ohio.

Amos Elmer Roberts acquired his early education at the Beverly graded schools, and from early youth manifested a disposition for practical business and for affairs. His career has demonstrated that he possesses a full share of executive ability. He is popular, and his qualities as an organizer have been helpful in politics, making him a power in the local republican party. For ten years he conducted a store of his own at Beckett, and then continued in the mercantile business at Waterford five years. For a number of years he has been a member of the firm owning the Waterford Mill & Lumber Company, his partners in that enterprise being John Mummy and John Deering. This firm, in addition to manufacturing building materials, do an extensive business as contractors, and have built many houses in the locality. Mr. Roberts is also a director of the Dime Savings Society of Marietta. He held the office of township trustee of Waterford Township ten years, following which, from 1919-1923, he served as sheriff of Washington County. He is now a member of the County Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Roberts married, in 1890, a schoolmate, Miss Cora M. Beckett. Their three children are P. L., of Parkersburg, West Virginia, Grace and Lester. Mr. Roberts is a trustee of the Waterford Methodist Episcopal Church, being active in the Sunday school work. He is a Royal Arch Mason.

Joseph William Forshey, M. D. A citizen of Washington County, whose career can be sketched as that of a representative Ohioan, is Dr. Joseph William Forshey, of Lowell. Doctor Forshey as a boy learned that success if he would obtain it depended upon his own exertions. He paid his own way through medical school, has had a successful practice for over twenty years, keeping in touch with the advancing progress of medicine and surgery at the same time, and is also a business man, a factor in the oil and gas industry of Northeastern Ohio.

He was born on a farm near Carlisle, in Noble County, Ohio, January 2, 1870, son of Thomas and Margaret Ellen (Morrison) Forshey. His parents were also born in Noble County. His mother, now seventy-eight years of age, lives at the old home near Dalzell in Washington County. Thomas Forshey was a democrat in politics, but by reason of the fact that he supported the war by military service he was what is known as a war democrat. He enlisted and became a corporal in a regiment of Ohio infantry, and fought in many battles and campaigns, being wounded at the battle of Buzzard's Roost. He was with Sherman's army in the Atlanta campaign, the march to the sea, and finally, after the war, marched with Sherman's troops down Pennsylvania Avenue at Washington in the Grand Review. Following the war he married, and soon moved to Washington County, where he became a successful farmer. He died May 20, 1905, when sixty-three years of age. He was a member of the Masonic Order and an elder in the Christian Church. His family consisted of three sons and one daughter: Charles F., a farmer at the old homestead; Dr. Joseph William; Edward, who is associated with his brother, Doctor Forshey, in the oil and gas industry and lives at Marietta; and Jennie, wife of William Shaffer, an oil producer at Emlinton, Pennsylvania.

Joseph William Forshey was a boy on the farm, attending country schools, and, getting a certificate, he taught a total of seven winter terms. In the meantime he attended the Marietta Normal School, and while not teaching or going to school was in the old fields as roustabout, tool dresser and in other capacities, spending considerable time in the field around Sistersville, West Virginia; Newport, Ohio, and elsewhere.

In the meantime he was studying medicine, and later entered and took the regular course in the Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated in 1903. Doctor Forshey then returned to his old home community at Dalzell, engaged in practice there and after seven years moved to Pennsville, Morgan County, and seven years later located at Lowell in Washington County. He took post-graduate work in the Chicago Post Graduate School of Medicine in 1913, and is a member in good standing of the various medical societies.

Doctor Forshey has been identified with the oil and gas production financially or otherwise since 1905. By appointment from Governor Cox he served as a member of the State Industrial Board. He is a member of the local school board, is a democrat, and is affiliated with Masterton Lodge, No. 429, of Masons and Pennsville Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Doctor Forshey married Miss Edith Rogers, daughter of John Rogers, of Tollgate, West Virginia. She is a member of the Christian Church. Doctor and Mrs. Forshey have three daughters, namely: Marjorie, Mary E. and Marion V., all at home.

Chester A. Dyer, of Columbus, is a native son of the Buckeye State and a scion of one of the honored pioneer families of Jackson County, where his ancestors settled upon coming from Virginia, over the mountains and through a veritable wilderness, with teams and covered wagons of the type common to that period. Mr. Dyer has gained a wide reputation as an authority on taxation, and he holds not only the office of overseer and chairman of the executive committee of the Ohio State Grange, but is also legislative agent for this Grange and for the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation. He maintains his executive offices in the Southern Hotel in the City of Columbus, and is one of the most vigorous and influential workers in behalf of the platform of the Lower Taxes-Less Legislation League, which is endorsed alike by the Ohio State Grange and the Ohio State Farm Bureau League, as well as by similar organizations in the states of New York and Virginia.

Mr. Dyer was born on a farm in Lick Township, Jackson County, Ohio, and that he profited fully by

the advantages of the common schools of the locality and period was demonstrated in his later and effective service as a teacher in the schools of his native county, he having finally been chosen superintendent of the Consolidated Schools at Coalton. He was for three years editor of the Jackson Herald, and he served some time also as deputy county auditor.

Mr. Dyer initiated his constructive service in connection with Grange work when he was made county deputy of the Ohio State Grange for Jackson County. Later he was made district deputy of a district comprising eleven counties, and further advancement came when he was elected state overseer of the Grange, an office which he has since retained, besides which in 1923 he was made chairman of the executive committee of the Ohio State Grange, besides having been for the past several years its legislative agent, in which capacity he has done most effective service in the furtherance of needed legislation on the part of the Ohio Legislature. He acts also as legislative agent for the Farm Bureau Federation of the state. Though he still retains his home in Jackson County, where he is the owner of a farm estate, he has for the past several years maintained official headquarters in the capital city of Ohio.

Mr. Dyer has made a close and intensive study of taxation problems, and no greater problems confront the nation at the present time. He has written and delivered addresses on taxation problems, was one of the organizers of and is a leader in the Ohio Tax Association, and it was largely due to his mature judgment and progressive civic policies that the Ohio State Grange initiated the movement that resulted in the organization of the Lower Taxes-Less Legislation League. The work of this league is being extended to many other states of the Union, and is gaining virtually uniform support on the part of organizations of farmers, whose tax burdens are a matter of grave importance in both a direct way and as touching the great productive industries that must ever form the basis of national well being.

As pertinent to the objects of the league just mentioned, the following quotations are worthy of introduction in this connection:

"Answering a constantly growing demand for a return to the simplicity and economy in government as instituted by the founders of this republic, the Ohio State Grange and Ohio State Farm Bureau Federation crystallized this widespread sentiment in the establishment of the Lower Taxes-Less Legislation League. One of the first objectives sought by these two groups, overburdened by the high cost of living (with the rapidly increasing extravagance in the expense of local, county, state and national administration as chief contributing cause), was to unite this awakening of the common sense of the American people. A return to a pay-as-you-go form of government was the first mission. While individuals were complaining bitterly of ever increasing taxes, and certain groups were making strenuous efforts to protect their special interests, the Lower Taxes-Less Legislation League was formed to include all Americans who favor a return to the ways of our fathers in government. Particularly was the league established for those who favor going back to the original guaranties of the Constitution, protection of life, liberty and happiness, and an equal chance for all. Started by farmers, it was immediately recognized that 'we are all in the same boat and all headed the same way.' As a result, the league opened its membership to all interested. Instantly citizens joined the movement in large numbers. Then followed organizations such as chambers of commerce, Rotary and Kiwanis clubs, manufacturers' associations, women's clubs, labor unions, groups of business men, and other civic, social and fraternal bodies, each catching step with the procession—all marching the same way. Even churches joined, on the ground that a great moral question is involved in present taxation costs, and that anything that is uneconomic is immoral."

Allan Crawford Hall, operator of the Hall Grindstone Company, was born at Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, February 24, 1890, and is the son of William McLaurine Hall and Jean Agnew Crawford Hall. Mr. Hall is a direct descendant of five lines of American officers of the Revolution. On the maternal side one of these was John Hazlett, who was colonel of the First Delaware Regiment and was commanding his regiment when killed at the battle of Princeton. Prominent also among his ancestry was Maj. Gen. Samuel Wiley Crawford, who for a time had charge of the defense of Fort Sumter at the outbreak of the Civil war and who later successfully defended Little Round Top at the battle of Gettysburg. On Mr. Hall's paternal side his ancestry has been traced as far back as Colin McLaurine, who was born in Scotland in 1628 and who was a very eminent mathematician, and who by appointment wrote the biography of Sir Isaac Newton.

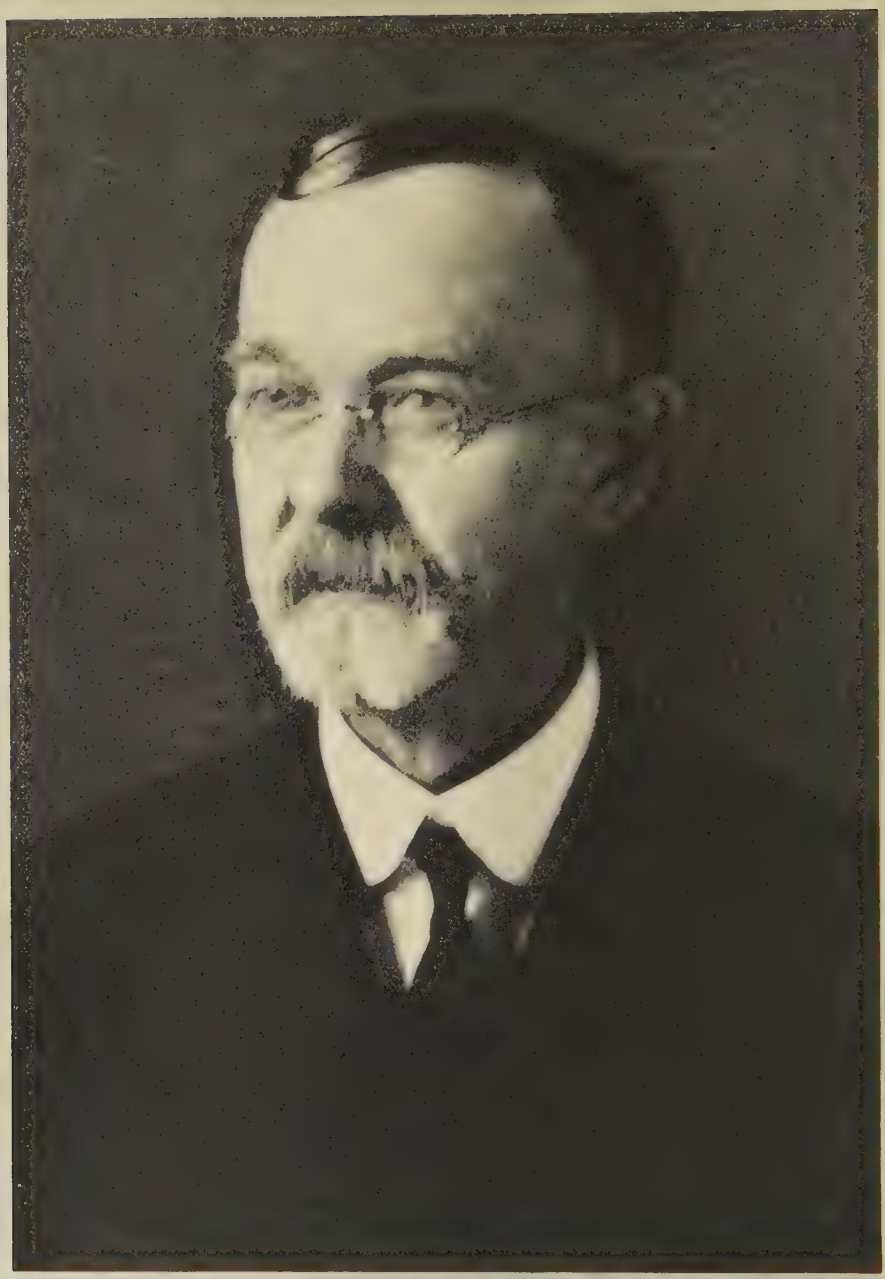
Mr. Hall's father has many achievements to his credit which have given to him some distinction in the engineering world. In the late '80s he was associated in the building of the Croton Aqueduct to New York City, where he had charge of a large section, with over 5,000 men under his direction. Later he assumed charge of and completed the building of 200 miles of the Norfolk & Western Railroad in the vicinity of Bluefield, West Virginia. In the year 1894 Mr. Hall's father entered the employ of the United States Government, where he has remained to date. During this long period of thirty years he has built fortifications at New Bedford, Massachusetts, and locks and dams on a number of inland rivers. In the '90s he was a pioneer in the use of concrete in the building of locks and dams. During recent years his work has been confined to the building of locks and dams on the Ohio River.

Mr. Hall's brother, William McLaurine, Jr., graduated from Lehigh University in 1920 and is a chemical engineer. His sister, Eleanor Swann, received her education at Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, and later at the University of Pennsylvania. Upon completion of her work at Pennsylvania she enlisted as an army nurse, and spent three years in France during the World war. She returned to the United States with the rank of lieutenant.

Allan C. Hall was educated at Kenyon College at Gambier, Ohio. At the end of his college course he associated himself with his father and uncle, who had determined to invest on a small scale in the manufacture of grindstones, which is a prominent industry in the vicinity of Marietta. The Hall Grindstone Company was formed and the work practically from the outset was carried on by Mr. Hall under the direction of his father and uncle. The industry after a long, tedious and discouraging beginning, found recognition by the trade with the advent of the European war, and today it holds quite an important place in the field to which it caters. In recent years Mr. Hall, in addition to assuming complete supervision of the business, has acquired the entire ownership.

Allan C. Hall married Miss Ida Davis on December 20, 1916. Mrs. Hall is the daughter of the late D. C. Davis, of Marietta. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Hall are Virginia Davis, Alida Crawford and David Crawford.

Mr. Hall has taken part for a number of years in the civic activities of Marietta. He has served as a director of the Chamber of Commerce, as chairman of the Civic Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Com-



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merce, as a member of the executive committee of the Community Club, is a member of the Rotary Club and the Country Club, and his religious affiliation is Presbyterian.

Edward Lincoln Yarnall is the present sheriff of Washington County. He was the candidate of the republican party at the last election. The election of Mr. Yarnall was a distinct personal triumph, a tribute to the kind of man and citizen he has been in Washington County for many years.

Mr. Yarnall was born on a farm in Jackson Township, Noble County, July 16, 1865, son of Lindley and Elizabeth (Way) Yarnall, also natives of Noble County. Lindley Yarnall was a Methodist minister, having charge of a church at Carlisle, Noble County. He was a volunteer Union soldier with an Ohio regiment during the Civil war, and his death at the early age of twenty-nine, in 1869, was the direct result of his war service. He was very well educated, as were other members of his family, one of his brothers being a college professor. After the death of Lindley Yarnall his widow married J. R. Sheldon, and is now seventy-nine years of age, living at Beverly in Washington County. Lindley Yarnall's three children were: Edward L.; Anna, wife of J. E. Taylor, of Beverly, and Dellah, wife of John Malster. Both sisters taught school.

Edward Lincoln Yarnall was only four years old when his father died. His education was acquired in district schools and in Beverly College. His self-reliance and rugged industry were manifest when he was only twelve years of age. As a farm hand he worked many long days, and after the manner of boys became interested in trading, at first in calves, and has been more or less of a trader and business man all his years. For some time he has handled farms and real estate. Mr. Yarnall was a farmer in Waterford Township twelve years, and then moved to Palmer Township. Between the ages of twenty-one and twenty-four he was out West, in Reno and other counties in Kansas and Colorado, engaged in railroad work and in brick yards, and during the winter herded cattle as a cow boy on several western ranches.

It is said of the sheriff that for one year after his marriage he worked on a farm, getting the total wages of $135 for all the time, and managing to save $100 out of this. He had his own home, his own cow and chickens, and by rigid self-denial he gradually accumulated some capital to get into business on his own account.

His first official position was as assessor of Waterford Township, held a similar office in Palmer Township, and was a member of the School Board in each township. When A. E. Roberts was elected sheriff, Mr. Yarnall was appointed deputy, serving in that capacity four years. Then he was himself elected sheriff by the handsome majority of 1,829 in a year when the democrats carried most of the county offices. Mr. Yarnall and family are Methodists.

He married, January 1, 1890, Miss Mary Waterman, daughter of J. B. Waterman, of Watertown Township. Their children are two sons and three daughters. The son, Floyd L., was a private of the first class in the World war, being trained at Camp Sherman, and is now in railway mail service at Washington, D. C. The second son, Harry B., is associated with the Muskingum Valley Hardware Company at Beverly. The daughters are: Ruth, wife of S. R. Fisher, rural mail carrier at Beckett; Blanche, wife of Robert Merritt, of Marietta; and Helen, a senior in the Marietta High School.

Walter E. Fischer. One of the busiest and most useful citizens of the community of Macksburg, Washington County, is Walter E. Fischer, manager of the Macksburg Tool Company, and in other ways identified with the life and affairs of the locality.

Mr. Fischer was born at Macksburg, June 13, 1878, son of John and Sarah Margaret Collins Fischer. His mother died in 1893. John Fischer, who is an honored retired resident of Macksburg, was born in Germany, and when sixteen years of age came to the United States, joining his brother William at Marietta. Under this brother he learned the shoemaker's trade. In 1872 a new railroad was being built through Washington County, and at a new station and town called Macksburg John Fischer chose to make his home and found his business. He established a shoe business, and for many years was one of the sturdy and successful citizens of the town. He has served forty-seven years (and is still serving) as tyler of the local lodge of Masons. In the family were six children, one of whom, Mary, died at the age of ten, and one passed away in infancy, the others being John W., W. E., Frieda and Louisa Grace, the latter the widow of Arthur F. Russell, of Macksburg.

Walter E. Fischer has made a success in spite of handicap. When he was about fifteen years of age, while out hunting, he met with an accident that cost him his left arm. Deprived of that member, he used his intelligence and his energy to find various avenues of unusual usefulness. At the age of seventeen he graduated from the local high school, subsequently attending the Ohio Valley Commercial College at Marietta. Before leaving high school he and a brother had full charge of a confectionery and school supply store belonging to their father. School teaching also comprised a chapter of his early experience. He taught one year at Elba and two years at the Hale School. Following that he was bookkeeper for an oil company, and then for two years was in the general store at Macksburg owned by McConnell, Fischer & Longfellow Brothers. For three years he was bookkeeper for the Producers Torpedo Company at Marietta, remaining there until 1910.

The present business, known as the Macksburg Tool Company, is an outgrowth of two earlier concerns, the Huron Steel & Iron Company and the American Steel & Iron Company, in which George W. Archer was active in the management. In 1908 the Macksburg Tool Company was organized, with C. S. Blakeslee as president, J. D. James as secretary and treasurer, and Mr. Archer, manager, with W. E. Fischer, bookkeeper. Mr. Fischer in 1911 assumed the general management of this successful industry, and is also proprietor of the W. E. Fischer Gas Company, which has produced and supplied natural gas for a part of Macksburg for a number of years.

For twenty-three years Mr. Fischer was township clerk, and served many terms as clerk of the Township School Board and has been village clerk and in other public positions. Mr. Fischer, who is unmarried, is active in the republican party, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of Ohio Consistory at Cincinnati, and is also a member of the Syrian Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cincinnati. He is secretary of the local lodge of Masons.

Frank Beebe. The City of Elyria lost one of its esteemed and highly intelligent citizens with the death of Frank Beebe on May 12, 1923. Mr. Beebe was born in that community, was a member of a family closely connected with the founding and growth of the city, and his individual life brought him many points of useful contact with this locality.

The Beebe family originally belonged to Scotland, Mr. Beebe's great-grandfather being the immigrant settler in New England. The founder of the family in Lorain County was his grandfather. The late Frank Beebe was born at Elyria, in 1856, son of Artemus and Nancy (Fisher) Beebe, the Fishers set-

tling in Lorain County even earlier than the Beebes. His maternal grandparents, Carlos and Mercer Fisher, were born near Rome, New York, and it is probable that they came to Lorain County in 1891. Mr. Beebe's paternal grandfather, Artemus Beebe, came from West Springfield, Massachusetts, to Lorain County in 1815, spending one year before he went back to Massachusetts, where he married Permelia Morgan. In 1817 he returned to Lorain County with his wife, purchased a tract of land, built his house and his carpenter shop, and thus became one of the first settlers of Elyria. As a carpenter and wheelwright he had much to do with the material upbuilding of Elyria, and he and his family at one time owned a large portion of the land on which the present city stands. He built the first hotel there, a second one at Put-in-Bay, and for many years these were conducted by members of his family.

Artemus Beebe, the father of the late Frank Beebe, was born at Elyria, spending his life in Lorain County. Though owning between 200 and 300 acres of land and operating as an extensive farmer, he maintained his residence in the city. He was active in republican political circles, and at times served on the city council. His mother was one of the charter members of the Presbyterian Church. He married Nancy Fisher, who died in 1893, surviving him for three years. They had the following children: William A., who was born October 14, 1848, died in 1902; Mary Maria, born in January, 1854, and died in 1894; Frank, and Artemus, who was born in 1869, being a well known resident of Elyria and prominent in Masonic circles.

The late Frank Beebe attended the public schools of Elyria and Berea College, and after completing his college course went into the hotel business with his uncles and his father in Elyria and at Put-in-Bay, and at other points along stage lines, when transportation facilities were very different from those of the present. Mr. Beebe continued in the business until 1893, when he became connected with the offices of the United States Steel Plant at Elyria. Six years later he embarked in the real estate business, and before retiring from active business in 1920 had become one of the leading realtors of Elyria. He owned a large amount of valuable property, including his handsome residence and surroundings on West Avenue.

Mr. Beebe married in December, 1893, Miss Lottie Crisp, who was born at Elyria, a daughter of William and Georgia (Goodwin) Crisp. The father of Mrs. Beebe was born at Foxton, England, and her mother, in the City of London. Mrs. Beebe is a lady of literary tastes, being vice president of the Lorain County Historical Society. She is a member of the Congregational Church, as was her husband. In political life Mr. Beebe, like other members of his family, was a republican, but he never consented to hold public office, finding other opportunities to serve the public welfare, in which he was intensely and loyally interested.

William L. West, M. D. Graduated in medicine in 1874, Doctor West, with the exception of the first two years, has devoted his half century of activity in the medical profession to the town and surrounding community of New Matamoras, Washington County. His has been an exceptional career from many standpoints. He has the unusual honor of having been a captain in the Spanish-American war and also a captain in the Medical Corps during the World war.

Doctor West was born December 19, 1850, at Moundsville, West Virginia, son of J. B. and Mary E. West. His father was a substantial farmer. While the war between the states was in progress the family moved to Parkersburg, West Virginia, about 1870 came over the Ohio to Marietta, and later the parents spent the remainder of their life at Newport, Ohio, where the father died at the venerable age of ninety-two and the mother at the age of sixty-five. J. B. West, though a farmer during most of his life, was also for a time in the mercantile business at Marietta, and for many years was an ordained minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was a republican in politics. In the family were three sons and three daughters. One son, J. B. West, who died at the age of eighty-four, was an independent oil producer and one of the pioneers in the oil developments of the Ohio district. The two living sons are Dr. William L. West and Dr. George B. West, the latter a practicing physician at Washington, D. C.

William L. West acquired a public school education, attended Marietta Academy, and began the study of medicine in Marietta. Subsequently he entered Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, and was graduated from that old institution of medical instruction. The year of his graduation was 1874. He also had experience in the Jefferson Medical College Hospital. He did his first practice at Jolly, in Monroe County, Ohio, but since 1876 has lived at New Matamoras. In conjunction with his medical practice he has conducted a drug business for many years. Doctor West, since its organization in 1911, has served as president of the Peoples Savings Bank at Metamoras.

As a youth he was interested in military affairs. He has a record of service of fifteen years as an Ohio National Guard, most of the time in Company E of the Seventh Ohio Regiment. He commanded the company as captain during the Spanish-American war, being stationed at Camp Alger at Washington. When the World war came on, although he was far past the age of military duty, he made application for service and was commissioned a captain in the Medical Corps and assigned important duty in the coal fields of East Tennessee and Kentucky, taking care of miners during the influenza epidemic. He was active in organizing some hospitals in the coal fields for the benefit of those afflicted.

Doctor West has been frequently honored with public office, member of the council, school board and mayor of Metamoras. He has been a delegate from his district to several state democratic conventions. He belongs to the Washington County Medical Society, the Ohio State and American Medical Associations, and for four years was master of the local lodge of Masons. He belongs to the Knights Templar Commandery of Masons at Sisterville, West Virginia, the Ohio Consistory of the Scottish Rite at Cincinnati and the Mystic Shrine at Wheeling.

Doctor West married Miss Mary E. Williamson, daughter of H. A. Williamson, of Grand View, Washington County. Three children were born to their marriage. The daughter, Florence, is a graduate of Marietta College. The son Wiley died when eighteen years of age, during his second year at Marietta College, and one child passed away in infancy. Mrs. West and her daughter are members of the Methodist Church.

Robert M. Cunningham. Of an undertaking business that was established at New Matamoras over forty years ago by his father, Robert M. Cunningham is the present proprietor. He is a well qualified embalmer and funeral director and has made himself one of the indispensable citizens of that community of Washington County.

He was born at New Matamoras, August 20, 1881, son of Robert H. Cunningham, and grandson of Matthew and Eliza (Girt) Cunningham, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of Pennsylvania. Matthew Cunningham, coming to the United States when a boy of thirteen, learned the carpenter's trade and in 1846 established his home at New Matamoras, Ohio. He was a whig in politics. Robert H. Cunning-

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ham, second son in a family of four children, was born at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 8, 1844, but spent his life from infancy in New Matamoras. As a youth he worked at the trade of carpenter and cabinet maker, and on February 14, 1865, enlisted in Company G of the One Hundred and Eighty-seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry, being in service until after the close of the Civil war. His work as a carpenter and cabinet maker brought him into demand for making coffins, and in 1882 he established himself regularly in the undertaking business at New Matamoras, becoming an expert embalmer. He was a graduate of the embalming college at Springfield, Ohio. Robert H. Cunningham continued the business actively until his death in 1905, when he was succeeded by his son. He was an influential member of the Baptist Church, was a republican, served as village clerk and in other capacities, and was affiliated with New Matamoras Lodge, No. 374, of the Masonic Order. He married Alice A. Ballentine on November 13, 1872. She was born at Little Washington, Pennsylvania, in 1852, was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and died in 1906. Her four children were: Anna B., Olive P. (wife of A. F. Humphrey), Robert M. and Della.

Robert M. Cunningham was reared in New Matamoras, attending the local schools, and even while a school boy assisted his father during vacations. In 1898 he completed the course in the Champion College of Embalming at Springfield, and has kept himself in close touch with the advancing progress in his profession. Since he became proprietor he has installed a complete motor service. He is a member of the Ohio State Board of Embalmers.

Mr. Cunningham has served as a member of the City Council and president of the board in 1923. He was for some years secretary of the local Sunday School, is past master of the Masonic Lodge, a member of the Consistory of Scottish Rite Masonry of Cincinnati, Syrian Temple of the Mystic Shrine and Knights of Pythias. He married Miss Emma Ardelia Pyatt, of Pittsburgh. She is a graduate nurse of the West Pennsylvania Hospital, 1907.

George E. May. A hardware merchant at New Matamoras, Mr. May has been in business, at first with his father, then for himself, for a period of thirty-three years under the same roof. His long record as a business man has been supplemented by a public-spirited part in the community.

He was born September 15, 1876, son of Hosea Ballou and Callie Disque May. His father was born at Clarington and his mother at Powhatan, in Monroe County, Ohio, and they married before locating in New Matamoras in 1879. Hosea B. May established a printer's business, gradually extended its scope to handling hardware, and his activities made him a valued member of the community until his death in 1921, at the age of seventy-two. His widow resides at New Matamoras at the age of sixty-nine. The late H. B. May was interested in the organization of the First National Bank of Matamoras, served as a member of the council, was a republican, liberal in his views and a kindly and valuable citizen. He was a Presbyterian, and served as chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias and played in the Pythian Band. His family consisted of three sons and three daughters: George E.; Dr. Frank May, a dentist practicing at Glouster, Athens County, Ohio; Chester, who died when two years old; Mrs. R. E. Work, of Logan, Ohio; Mary E., wife of A. L. Smith, a resident of New Matamoras, but a West Virginia farmer, and Ora Vaughan, wife of Reverend Montgomery, of Cape Charles, Virginia.

George E. May was reared in New Matamoras, finishing his high school education there, and had one year of experience as clerk in a grocery store. He then joined his father in the hardware store, and had most of the responsibilities of management a number of years before the death of his father, after which he bought out the other interest and is now sole proprietor. He possesses many of the qualities that made his father personally popular and interested in community affairs. He has served as mayor of the town, and during these terms of office made a strenuous fight for street paving. He has also been township treasurer, and is now president of the New Matamoras School Board. In politics he is a republican. Mr. May has been affiliated with the Knights of Pythias since he was twenty-one years of age, is past chancellor commander of the lodge, and plays the cornet in the Pythian Band. He has filled the chairs in the Odd Fellows Lodge and is a Master Mason.

Mr. May married Miss Lena Fawcett, daughter of Asa and Lucy Fawcett, of Glouster. Their two children are: Ruth, wife of C. L. Parr, of New Matamoras, and Miss Dorothy, a student in high school. The family are Presbyterians, Mr. May being a trustee and regular attendant at Sunday school, while Mrs. May teaches a class in Sunday school.

Hon. Ulysses S. Martin. Probably no name is more favorably known in the citizenship of Montgomery County than that of Martin. Ulysses S. Martin has for many years practiced law in Dayton, but the culminating honors of his career have been his service through several consecutive terms as judge of the Common Pleas Court.

Ulysses S. Martin was born March 4, 1866, on a farm in Randolph Township, Montgomery County. His parents were Christian and Maria (Frantz) Martin, the latter now eighty-nine years of age. Christian Martin, who died in 1892, was a citizen of the highest rectitude of character and followed an industrious career as a farmer. He was born at Lewisburg, in Preble County, in 1830, and at the age of twenty-six moved to Montgomery County. The esteem in which he was held by his neighbors was testified to by his election as a republican in a strongly democratic section of the county to the office of township trustee, and he filled that office for three terms.

Ulysses S. Martin spent his early life as a farm boy, attended district schools until the age of sixteen, and then continued his education in Randolph High School, located at Harrisburg, now Englewood. After two years in high school he became a teacher, and spent several winter terms teaching in the rural schools. For three years his higher education was advanced by attending during the summer months the Ohio Northern University of Ada. He graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree at Otterheim University in 1892. Then followed another year of teaching. In the meantime he had studied law privately, and in 1893 he began a formal course of reading in the offices of Carr, Allaman and Kennedy at Dayton, and was admitted to practice in 1894. Judge Martin quickly earned a favorable reputation as an able attorney and had an important general practice. In 1899 he was nominated on the republican ticket and elected prosecuting attorney of Montgomery County, and was reelected in 1902. He led the ticket on both occasions. Subsequently Governor Myron T. Herrick appointed him Common Pleas judge to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Judge Matthews. He was elected to that office for three consecutive terms by an overwhelming majority in each case.

Judge Martin is affiliated with the Masonic Order, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Fraternal Order of Eagles and Moose, and is a mem-

ber of civic organizations. He married, November 27, 1894, Miss Laura C. Denlinger, of Dayton.

B. F. STRECKER was born and reared in a rural district near Marietta, Ohio, the first permanent colony established in Ohio, and for over forty years has been closely identified with one line of industry, leather goods, harness and saddlery manufacture, having been instrumental in building up a plant and business that directly reflects prosperity upon the entire city of Marietta. Mr. Strecker is the example of a successful business man who has used his means and opportunities to do a great deal of good in various channels of charitable and civic undertakings.

He was born in a log cabin on the old Strecker homestead adjoining Marietta, April 19, 1859, son of John and Fredericka (Baumgartner) Strecker, and grandson of John Strecker, Sr., who brought his family of six children to the United States from the Province of Wurttemberg, Germany, in 1846. John Strecker, Jr., was born in Wurttemberg in 1832, was well educated in the German schools, was fourteen when he came to this country, and subsequently, through his own efforts and insatiable thirst for knowledge, acquired a most liberal education. He was a farmer, but at his homestead also operated a glue factory until his death on December 30, 1890. Twice he was honored with election to the Ohio Legislature, was a republican, and was an Ohio soldier in the Civil war. His family were Methodists. John Strecker, Jr., and wife had seven children: Charles F., now president of the Strecker Brothers Company of Marietta; John, a prosperous farmer in Muskingum Township, Washington County; Benjamin F.; Caroline, formerly a teacher of German in the Marietta High School, now assistant principal; Rev. E. W., a Methodist minister; Ellen M., and Louis D., now president of the Union Hardware Company of Marietta, Ohio.

Benjamin F. Strecker was a farm boy until the age of eighteen, was educated in local schools, and on leaving home, acquired his first commercial experience at Pittsburgh with his brother Charles in the leather goods business. Five years later, early in 1881, these brothers established the firm of Strecker Brothers, which steadily for forty years has been producing a line of harness and saddlery goods of exceptional merit. The business was incorporated in 1900, under the name, The Strecker Brothers Company, since which time C. F. Strecker has been president and B. F. Strecker, vice president and treasurer of the company. Harness and saddles made in this Marietta plant are sold and distributed not only in the United States, but have been articles of export trade. Before America entered the World war, the company supplied the Russian Government with two million dollars' worth of goods. Every cowboy on the western plains during the last period of a century has an appreciative word for the special brand of saddles manufactured by Strecker Brothers Company.

B. F. Strecker's business interests extend to other organizations, and he is president of the Becker Manufacturing Company, is president of the Citizens National Bank, president of the Industrial Realty Company and president of the Stephens Organ & Piano Company, and is secretary of the C. L. Bailey Wholesale Grocery Company and secretary of the Union Hardware Company. Mr. Strecker has for years been an important lay figure in the activities of the Sunday school as an organization to spread and promote the most wholesome influence of Christianity as a force in the upbuilding of character and the making of good citizen at home and abroad. Mr. Strecker for thirty-four years has been superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School at Marietta, is a member of the executive board of the World Sunday School Association, and in 1920 made a trip to the Orient to attend the World Sunday School Association Convention at Tokio, and the similar convention at Glasgow in 1924 included his name among the invited guests and delegates. Mr. Strecker is a member of the Board of Trustees of Marietta College, is president of the Marietta Library Association, and for twenty-three years has been president of the local Young Men's Christian Association.

He married Julia A. Wendelken. They have one daughter, Marjorie L., in whose honor was named the Marjorie L. Strecker Hospital for Children, a branch of Bethesda Hospital in Cincinnati, to which Mr. Strecker has been a generous and frequent benefactor and a member of the Board of Governors.

GUY C. MITCHELL for a number of years has been one of the important men of affairs in the City of Hamilton. Some of the interests with which he is actively identified may be briefly cited here.

The W. P. Eaton Packing Company, Inc., of which he is president, is capitalized at $500,000, with $400,000 in common stock and $100,000 in preferred stock. This company is successor to the Rupp Packing Company. The E. J. Frechtling Coal Company, of which he is vice president, has assets of over $250,000 and does a retail and wholesale coal business. The Ray Shipman Company, of which he is treasurer, is capitalized at $50,000 and does a general real estate and building business.

Mr. Mitchell is also treasurer of the Valley Mortgage Company, capitalized at $500,000. They do a general farm loan business. He is treasurer of the Industrial Loan and Building Association, with capital stock of $1,000,000, and performing a general building and loan service.

PATRICK J. DONNELLY is a Marietta citizen who has been generously rewarded in the course of his industrious years, and is not only a man of material means, but possesses a host of friends who admire his integrity and Irish characteristics.

He was born in Palmyra, New York, on Saint Patrick's day, March 17, 1857, son of Michael and Margerett Donnelly, who came from Ireland, first locating in Palmyra, New York, and afterwards moving to Corry, Pennsylvania. Michael Donnelly spent his life as a working man, and died in 1910.

Patrick J. Donnelly acquired his education in public schools at Corry, Pennsylvania, and his boyhood was impressed with the discipline of the labor needed to provide him a living, his first money having been earned in the strenuous work of a brickyard and other similar employment. At twenty-one he went to Oil City, working in the barrel factory of the Standard Oil Company. During 1878-79 he worked on iron oil tanks in the Bradford oil fields, and from that became a tool dresser in the oil fields, also sold patent rights and two years kept a hotel at Macksburg, Ohio. From Macksburg he came to Marietta, and since then his business has been greatly diversified. He has had holdings in oil fields in many localities. He is interested financially in the Industrial Realty Company, in the National Chain Company and in a number of manufacturing plants. He is president of the Crystal Light Company; and for a number of years has been in the ice and cold storage business. He helped organize in 1902 the Peoples Banking and Trust Company of Marietta, of which he is vice president.

Mr. Donnelly married, in 1883, Margaret Broderick, of Salamanca, New York. Five children were born to their marriage: W. W., in the oil well supply business at Fort Worth, Texas; R. D., oil producer at Tulsa, Oklahoma; A. D., connected with the oil industry at Mexia, Texas; Mabel, wife of R. E. Anderson, a mining engineer at Silver Bell, Arizona; and Michael,

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who was in the oil business at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and died at the age of twenty-five.

Mr. Donnelly and family are members of Saint Mary's Catholic Church, and he is a republican in politics. He has enjoyed life, has been fond of a good horse and a good dog, and has owned some very good horses in his time.

Bert Redmond, who has lived a life of active experience and has achieved a successful position in the business and civic affairs of Ravenna, of which city he is former mayor, is now the active head of the Portage Farm Pure Milk Company.

He was born at Chetek, Wisconsin, in August, 1882, son of Perry and Mary (Ervin) Redmond. His parents were natives of Indiana. His father died in 1883, and the mother then returned to Indiana and lived there until her death in August, 1923. There were three children, Bert and Elmer, twins, the latter of Detroit, and Orton, who died December 24, 1914.

Bert Redmond was educated in grammar and high schools, beginning his education at Walnut, Indiana. When he was only twelve years old he left home and returned to his native state, finding employment at Cameron in a drug store. He remained there four years, and at the same time continued his public school education. Following that came a prospecting tour and varied experience in North Dakota and other states of the far West. When he was twenty-six years old Mr. Redmond located at Alliance, Ohio, and worked for the American Steel Foundry Company. He was with this plant two years, and then became a conductor on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He was in the service until his left foot was taken off two years later, and on August 12, 1912, following this injury, he established his home at Ravenna. He started the Portage Garage and conducted a repair and service station and also sold the Ford, Overland and Hudson automobiles.

In 1919 Mr. Redmond sold out his automobile interest, and in 1920 acquired the Portage Farm Pure Milk Business. He operates a pasteurizing and bottling plant, and is one of the largest distributors of milk in Portage County.

In 1910 Mr. Redmond married Miss Ada Elizabeth Shultz, a native of Alliance, Ohio, and daughter of Elmer E. and Ida (Filson) Shultz, of Alliance. They have three children, Elmer Joseph, Elbert Orton and John F. Mr. and Mrs. Redmond are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He has been active in public affairs at Ravenna for a number of years, and in 1916 he was elected a member of the City Council, serving two terms, and in 1918 was elected mayor and reelected in 1920. He was mayor of the city until January 1, 1922, giving a thoroughly efficient administration of municipal affairs. Mr. Redmond has been through the various chairs of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, and has served as trustee of Ravenna Lodge No. 1076, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Benjamin J. Morris. After many activities in both war and peace Benjamin J. Morris is now living retired at his beautiful home, 418 Glenwood Avenue, in the enjoyment of the fruits of his hard labor, careful saving and wise investments. He was born in South Wales, in May, 1837, a son of John and Ann (Edwards) Morris. In 1845 John Morris came to the United States, and for four years was contracting mining boss at Weathersfield, Ohio. Here he was joined in 1849 by his wife and fifteen children. Ten years later they moved to Clinton, Ohio, and after four years went to Massillon, Ohio, for four years more. Removal was finally made to Mahoning County. The father died at the age of fifty-seven years, and the mother when she was eighty-two years old.

Benjamin J. Morris attended the Weathersfield and Mineral Ridge district schools, and when he was only ten years old began working as an errand boy. Two years later he became a trapper in the coal mines, and remained in this industry until he was a miner. Later he was made mine boss, boss contractor and still later mine superintendent. From 1890 to 1893 he was superintendent of three coal mines at Reynoldsville, Pennsylvania. Appointed chief of police in 1893, he served as such for fourteen years in conjunction with the Ohio Steel Mill at Youngstown, and from then until 1922 was chief messenger for the mills. In the latter year he retired, since which time he has not exerted himself, feeling that he has won the right to enjoy himself. One of the wise investments he made of his savings was the purchase of fifteen acres, on a portion of which his present handsome residence now stands. Later he sold three acres to an oil company, and then, with others, promoted Mill Creek Park, to which he donated one and one-half acres of land. The syndicate subsequently bought seven acres of his original purchase, and this property has been developed into a fine playgrounds and tennis court. Mr. Morris' grounds have a frontage of 170 feet, and a depth of 200 feet.

When war was declared between the North and the South Mr. Morris unhesitatingly gave his support to the Union, and enlisted in Company H, Ninetieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and had the distinction of serving under General Grant during the earlier part of the war. Later he was under the command of General Sherman. His unit saw some of the hardest fighting, and he participated in forty-two skirmishes and battles. His honorable discharge from the service bears the date of June 6, 1865. A brother, Capt. William M. Morris, commanded a company of the Thirty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and he was the officer who blew up the first two forts during the siege of Vicksburg.

On December 24, 1872, Mr. Morris married Olive A. Brooks, born at Niles, Ohio, April 1, 1853, a daughter of Thomas and Mary (Opp) Brooks, natives of Virginia and Pennsylvania, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Morris have four children: Clyde B., who lives at Youngstown; Mary, who is the wife of Ellsworth Owen, of Youngstown; Bird Olive, who is the wife of James Burton Kerr, of Youngstown; and Nellie, who is the wife of Joseph B. McClasky, of Youngstown.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Morris are deeply religious, and he belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church, being a steward and treasurer of the local body, while she is a member of the Christian Church. Active in politics, Mr. Morris served for some time as a deputy sheriff during his younger years, and he has never lost his interest in law enforcement or public affairs. Tod Post, Grand Army of the Republic, holds his membership, and he is past senior vice commander of this organization. Few men can look back over a cleaner record, or one so filled with worthwhile achievements, and Mr. Morris has every reason to be satisfied, for he not only has been successful in the best sense of the term, but he has also set an example which cannot help but exert an excellent influence upon the lives of those to come after him.

Theodore David Wolbach. After service as a Union soldier in the Civil war, Theodore David Wolbach on returning home took up the comparatively new and crude art of photography, which was still in the daguerreotype and wet plate stage. For nearly sixty years he has been a practical photographer, has mastered each successive stage in the development of this wonderful art, and is one of the oldest men in his profession in the United States as well as in Ohio.

Mr. Wolbach was born in a pioneer log cabin in Green Township, Wayne County, Ohio, June 6, 1844, and is the last survivor of a family of eight children. His grandfather, Peter Wolbach, was a native of

Switzerland, and settled in Pennsylvania on coming to America. Abraham Wolbach, father of the Wadsworth photographer, was born in Northampton County, Pennsylvania, and married Diana Hepler, who was born in Northumberland County, in the same state, being of Scotch and Dutch ancestry. Abraham Wolbach in 1838 brought his family to Ohio, settling in Wayne County. He had no capital beyond the work of his hands, and hoping to secure a farm of his own he moved to Ottawa County, Ohio, and while there engaged in the difficult struggle with pioneer conditions he was attacked by the cholera and died. His wife and children a few months later returned to Wayne County. She passed away in advanced years at the home of her son, Theodore D., at Wadsworth.

Theodore David Wolbach lived through his youthful years on a farm, having only the advantages of the common schools, and was not seventeen years of age when the Civil war broke out. On account of his youth he had difficulty in securing acceptance into the first troops that went from Ohio to battle for the Union. On October 1, 1861, he joined Company E of the Sixteenth Ohio Infantry, and for three years he was with his command in all its important engagements. He received his honorable discharge, October 31, 1864. He fought his first battle at Tazewell, Tennessee, and afterwards participated in the siege of Vicksburg, in the battles of Champion Hill and Jackson, Mississippi, was with his regiment in Texas and later in Louisiana.

Soon after his release from the army and return to Ohio Mr. Wolbach established his photographic studio at Wadsworth, on April 29, 1865. There is probably no photographer in Ohio who has been in business so long at one stand. For a great many years his studio has been on the east side of Main Street in Wadsworth. Examples of his photography are found in nearly every home in Medina County. He has also done a great deal of commercial photography and outdoor work.

Since early manhood Mr. Wolbach has been a lover of history and of the relics and curios that reflect something of human life. He has a splendid private collection of Indian relics and other curios in his studio at Wadsworth.

Mr. Wolbach grew up as a Jacksonian democrat, but after the Civil war became affiliated with the republican party. He has held nearly every town office in the gift of the people of Wadsworth. For two terms he was mayor of the town. Since 1866, a period of nearly sixty years, he has been affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he became a member of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1868 and of the Knights of Pythias in 1888. In 1871 Mr. Wolbach married Miss Alice Rothacker. They have been on the highway of life together for over half a century. They reared a son to the age of twenty-one years. He was a promising young man of high character, and his death was the most grievous sorrow that has afflicted their lives. Kind hearted and charitable, Mr. and Mrs. Wolbach have thoroughly enjoyed the confidence and respect of a large circle of friends in Medina County.

Catherine Fay Ewing. One of Ohio's noble women was Catherine Fay Ewing, who for many years devoted herself to the cause of dependant children, and whose work and influence procured from the Ohio Legislature the first law enacted in her state to provide care for children left helpless and alone, separate from such facilities as those provided by the institutional poorhouse.

Catherine Fay was born at Westboro, Massachusetts, in 1822, and died in 1897. She was married in 1862 to A. S. D. Ewing. Her family came to Ohio when she was a child. At the age of twenty she became a missionary to the Choctaw Indians in old Indian Territory. In the fall of 1853 she was called to visit a poor family just across the line in Arkansas. A mother, near death, with five children had been abandoned by a drunken husband. Homes were found for the four older children. A baby girl of two years was finally provided for in the home of a couple, who soon afterwards began selling liquor to the Indians, and one day a quarrel resulted and the baby was thrown upon the steps of the house and killed. It was this tragedy that caused Catherine Fay to leave her work and go home, a purpose having arisen in her mind to have a home where she could care for such children. For two years she taught in Kentucky, saving every dollar, then bought fifteen acres of land ten miles from Marietta, her aim being to have a home and support it herself. On a visit to the county infirmary or poorhouse she found a number of children among older people of the vilest and most profane character. She secured the consent of the trustees that they place these children with her, and in the spring of 1858 she took nine children, all under ten years of age, into this home. During the next two or three years she struggled with a sublimity of faith and love against countless obstacles. The people in the community were unfriendly to her project, and when she sent the children to the local school they were refused admission until she made herself the legal guardian of the children and finally, after a court contest, established the right of such children to attend the regular schools. She nursed the children through epidemics of diphtheria and scarlet fever, when her neighbors avoided the contagion and lent her no assistance whatever. Her efforts, however, became known, and friends were rising up in different localities, providing money and other resources. The culmination of her efforts may properly be told in her own words:

"As the number of children increased, it became clear that our means of support was inadequate. The connection with the poorhouse, too, was very undesirable. It put the children under a stigma which was hurtful and unpleasant for them. So many were soldiers' children (at one time two-thirds of the number, or thirty-five children) and these, I felt, deserved something better of their country than they were receiving.

"I was very anxious to be entirely separated from the poorhouse and to have a separate fund, so in 1864 I went to the commissioners about applying to the Legislature for relief. A bill was presented by William F. Curtis, but owing to some misunderstanding in state institutions it was laid aside. Next year it was again presented, but was rejected.

"In 1866 a bill carrying the things we needed was presented by S. S. Knowles, who wrote in March that a bill providing for children's homes had passed by 72 to 10. So the place I had thought of only as a relief for our own children became in God's providence a means by which such homes multiplied over the entire state.

"My old place was located ten miles from Marietta. This was thought under the new plan to be too far, and a new place two and a half miles from Marietta was purchased and buildings erected. In April, 1867, everything was moved to this new location. I was offered the new position, but I was not well, so remained at my old home."

There had been no law permitting the commissioners of the poor to pay part for the support of the children in a separate home. They had done so without authority, and were indeed glad when the new act legalized such payments. The new law authorized any county to erect a home for children at its own

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need and to support it from public fund, separate from poor fund.

Catherine Fay's home might have died with her, but owing to her good sense and determination it became the foundation of public care for children throughout the state. She had resolved to induce the state to adopt her system and to pass a general law to the above effect. She succeeded in that determination, as she had in the determination to take care of the destitute children of her own neighborhood and county.

The Ohio law for the care of destitute children was the first to be adopted in the United States, and was the pattern followed by many other states, in fact, by almost every other state in the Union.

CHARLES H. SHELLENBERGER has been a business man of Youngstown for nearly thirty years. He is in the milk and cream and dairy products business, a line he has followed through a long and successful experience.

He was born in Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, in 1875, son of Henry and Leah Shellenberger. His father was a farmer, and was accidentally killed nine days after the birth of his son Charles. The widowed mother subsequently married John Stoyer, and they made their home on a farm at Hamburg, in Berks County, Pennsylvania. John Stoyer died a year after his marriage, and then Charles H. Shellenberger lived with his mother, getting such education as he could in the local schools until 1895, when, at the age of twenty, he came to Youngstown.

For eighteen months Mr. Shellenberger was a solicitor for the Metropolitan Insurance Company, following which he spent five years in a grocery business and five years with the Banner Electric Company. He then became identified with the Sanitary Milk Company, and was with that Youngstown business for ten years, since which time he has been in business for himself, handling milk and cream and dairy product.

On February 17, 1903, he married Miss Jennie Jenkins, a native of Youngstown and daughter of James and Anna (Hopkins) Jenkins. They have three children, Edna May, Charles James and George. Mr. Shellenberger is a member of the Evergreen Presbyterian Church and is a democrat in politics.

JOSEPH FREDERICK KNOTT. The field of insurance is one in which ability along almost any line may be utilized to profitable purpose, and this probably accounts for the fact that those engaged in it are graduates of nearly every business. Having to handle prospects interested in all classes of employment, the successful insurance man must understand their problems so as to present convincing arguments to induce them to protect themselves with adequate insurance of different kinds. One of the most reliable of the many general insurance firms of Youngstown is that of Redden & Knott, of whom the junior member is Joseph Frederick Knott.

The birth of Joseph Frederick Knott occurred at Youngstown, in October, 1877, and he is a son of Jacob and Mary (Heimburg) Knott, natives of Germany. Many years ago they became residents of Youngstown, where at one time he conducted a brewery. At present he is living retired with his son. The mother died about 1894.

Until he was fourteen years old Joseph F. Knott attended Saint Joseph's parochial school, and then began to work, carrying water for the men working for street contractors. Later he secured employment in the blacksmith shop of the Youngstown Carriage Works. After three years with that company he went with the Enterprise Boiler Works, and for several years worked as a boilermaker. Leaving, then, the mechanical end of business, he took up commercial work, and for seventeen years was a clerk. In the fall of 1919 he entered upon his present interests, which seems to be the one for which he is best fitted. The many acquaintances he made during his years of close association with the public afford him prospects in his insurance business, and he is rendering them a service which cannot be overestimated. He and Mr. Redden are well qualified for partnership, and together they represent one of the strongest general insurance combinations in Mahoning County.

In June, 1900, Mr. Knott married Miss Nellie H. Kelly, of Youngstown, a daughter of William and Anna Kelly, natives of County Mayo, Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Knott became the parents of the following children: Helen Claire, J. Fred and Raymond Francis, all of whom are at home. The family belongs to Saint Columbos Church of Youngstown. Mr. Knott is a democrat, and he belongs to the Knights of Columbus.

ALBERT JAMES HORTH, who holds the responsible position of division engineer for the Erie Railroad Company, with headquarters in the City of Youngstown, has gained success and prestige as an able young civil engineer, and has worthily won advancement in his chosen profession.

Mr. Horth was born at Meadville, Pennsylvania, April 6, 1890, and in that city his parents, Albert J. and Lydia E. (Stebbins) Horth, still maintain their home, the father having been long and actively identified with railway service in the capacities of master carpenter and superintendent of buildings and bridges. Albert J. Horth, Sr., was born at Salamanca, New York, and his wife, at Olean, that state.

The public schools of his native city served as the medium through which Albert J. Horth of this review gained his early education, and thereafter he completed a course in civil engineering at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1915. In the meanwhile he had gained practical experience by passing vacation periods in the service of the Erie Railroad Company, and after his graduation he continued in the employ of this representative railroad company. He had his headquarters the first two years in the City of Cleveland, and he then came to Youngstown, where he gained advancement through various grades of service until his appointment to his present position, that of division engineer of the Mahoning division, in December, 1918. He has active membership in the American Railway Engineering Association and also the Engineers Club in his home city of Youngstown. He is an independent republican in politics, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, as well as the college Acacia fraternity and the Tau Beta Pi fraternity. He and his wife are communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

In September, 1918, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Horth and Miss Mildred M. Murphy, who likewise was born and reared at Meadville, Pennsylvania, and who is a daughter of F. F. and Elizabeth (Henlan) Murphy. The children of this union are three in number: Robert James, Donald Albert and Douglas.

JAMES K. DURLING. In the course of an energetic career of more than half a century, James K. Durling placed his home community of Wadsworth, in Medina County, under lasting debt to him for the strength of his purpose, the fine influence of his character, and the constructive enterprise he directed in business and financial affairs.

He was born at Upper Mount, Bethel, Pennsylvania, September 24, 1834, and died at Wadsworth, March 12, 1911, when in his seventy-seventh year. He was brought to Medina County by his parents when

ten years of age, in 1844. He was of Holland-Dutch ancestry. He was a descendant of Gerret Janse Dorlandt, who with a brother came to America in 1708. He was born in Holland in 1666. His son Abraham changed the spelling of the family name to Dorland, and that spelling was kept by two successive descendants, John and Gerret Dorland. George, a son of Gerret Dorland, adopted the spelling Durling.

George Durling, father of the late Wadsworth citizen, was born at Upper Mount, Bethel, Pennsylvania, and married Anna Krotzer. On coming to Medina County, Ohio, in 1844, they settled at the Village of Poe. James K. Durling's parents were of the pioneer type, industrious, but never in wealthy circumstances, and their lives were spent in combating the arduous conditions of a comparatively new country. James K. Durling, therefore, grew up in an environment where living was on a very simple plane, and labor, his only resource, poorly paid. He had the limited advantages of the schools in his neighborhood, but as a boy much of his time was devoted to manual labor, both on the home farm and for two years he worked out for board and clothes. In 1854, at the age of twenty, he became an employe of Orland Beach, one of the prominent pioneers of Wadsworth Township. Orlando Beach had an influential part in securing the right-of-way for the Atlantic & Great Western Railway, now the Erie System. It is said that James K. Durling, as the hired man of Mr. Beach, drove the first ox team in ploughing the first furrow for the grade of that road. For a time Mr. Durling was also a farm hand for Dr. C. N. Lyman, with whom in later years he was associated in banking.

It was during the early manhood of Mr. Durling that people first began substituting sulphur or friction matches for the old waxed paper or splint and steel in lighting fires. These matches were made by a crude hand process, and Mr. Durling with his half brother, Jacob R. Brown, took up the industry, and after making a supply of matches they sold them from a wagon which they drove over an extensive territory to the western limit of Ohio. On one of these trips Mr. Durling met the late Ohio C. Barber, who was then doing his pioneer work as a match maker, and became the founder of the great Diamond Match Works at Barberton, near Akron. The strips of matches made at that time were packed in bundles of 100, each package being capped with paper and bearing a one-cent revenue stamp.

At the close of the Civil war Mr. Durling gave up the manufacture of matches and engaged in the clothing business at Wadsworth. In the early '70s he became a member of the clothing and dry goods firm of Woodward, Daykin & Durling, but soon selling his interest in that firm, engaged in banking. It was as a banker that he became best known in his community. From 1873 to 1884 he was president of the Wadsworth National Bank. He then took the executive post of cashier, being succeeded as president by Dr. C. N. Lyman. When Doctor Lyman died he again became president, and he and his sons have now been in the banking business at Wadsworth for half a century.

He was a staunch republican, and in the year that William McKinley was defeated for Congress Mr. Durling as chairman of the Medina County Republican Executive Committee placed his county in the republican party by an impressive majority of 1,388.

For fifty-three years he was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and prominent not only in the local lodge, but in the state and other councils of that order. He was twice a representative in the Grand Lodge, and helped enact some of the laws that are still in force in the order. He assisted as district deputy in instituting lodges, and many times was present at the installation of officers. His was an important responsibility in securing the erection of the Odd Fellows Building at Wadsworth, and for thirty-four years he gave his unwavering support to the lodge during its struggle to pay off an enormous debt. He also took a great deal of pride in the auxiliary order of the Rebekahs, and in declining years, though in broken health, he frequently met with the members of this order.

In the years following the Civil war Mr. Durling served several terms on the village school board, and was vitally interested in giving Wadsworth an efficient public school system. While a member of the village council, the first substantial sewer was put down. He became mayor of Wadsworth, and in that office he placed his signature to bonds for $7,000, voted by the people to the Wadsworth Salt Company to aid that corporation in building its plant. Mr. Durling early in life joined the Congregational Church, and continued to worship in that denomination until the church was suspended at Wadsworth, after which he was affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal denomination. Mr. Durling led an active and exemplary life, and was a man of wonderful energy and courage. During the Civil war he was an uncompromising Union man, and though physically debarred from service as a soldier, had the satisfaction of seeing four brothers who went to the defense of the Union.

On September 21, 1858, Mr. Durling married Miss Lydia Copley. Together they traveled the journey of life for more than half a century. She survived him a little more than six years, passing away July 4, 1917, aged seventy-seven. Their oldest child is Mrs. Dymae Jane Andrus. The eldest son, John Hubbard, born June 26, 1861, and died March 14, 1911, just two days after the death of his father, served twenty-five years with the Wadsworth National Bank, the larger part of the time as cashier. He married Adella Mills, who died in 1892, leaving two children, named James M. and Bernice A. His second wife was Jessamine Pardee, and their two children, Margery and Dorothy, survive him. John Hubbard Durling was a Mason, Odd Fellow and a Knight of Pythias, a member of the Church of Christ, and was a republican in politics. The second son of the late Mr. Durling was William G. Durling, who was born March 1, 1867, and died November 3, 1916. He became a shoe merchant, and was a member of the Odd Fellows fraternity. The daughters are: Florence May, wife of James Whitlam, a paint manufacturer at Wadsworth; Miss Cora Helen Durling, unmarried, resides at Wadsworth and is president of the Federation of Woman's Clubs of that city, and Mrs. Anna L. Carlton, of Lansing, Michigan, whose husband is secretary of the Motor Wheel Company of that city.

The oldest surviving son of the late James K. Durling is Schuyler Colfax Durling, who was born at Wadsworth, September 10, 1868. As a young man after leaving school he worked in a store at Mansfield, and for six years was bookkeeper in the offices of the Ohio Match Company at Wadsworth. He became identified with banking as assistant cashier of the Wadsworth National Bank, the institution of which his father was president. Upon the death of his brother, J. H. Durling, in 1911, he became cashier. This bank was succeeded by the Wadsworth Savings & Trust Company in 1904, and he has since been cashier of that institution. He is a republican, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a member of the Church of Christ. He is financially interested in nearly all of the important manufacturing enterprises of Wadsworth, and was instrumental in the organization of a number of them. In 1892 Schuyler C. Durling married Miss Violet Pardee,

who died in 1919. He has since married Miss Ellen Mason. By his first marriage he has two children: Dr. James K. Durling, a physician and surgeon, and Miriam Lydia.

JOHN PORTER, photographer with a studio at 26 West Federal Street, in Youngstown, had a wide variety of experience in his profession, both in this country and abroad.

He was born in Scotland, in 1885, son of John and Agnes Porter, his father having also been an artist. In 1897 the family came to America, locating in Canada. John Porter, the son, attended high school at Montreal up to the age of eighteen. He served part of his photographic apprenticeship in Scotland, where he remained two years; was in England; then again in Scotland, and in 1909 returned to Montreal, Canada. For eighteen months he served as a guide and trapper in the wild woods, and then went to Saskatchewan and was a rancher.

He married in 1914, at New Brighton, Pennsylvania, Miss Adelaide McLuckie, a native of Scotland. Subsequently returning to Canada, Mr. Porter in August, 1918, enlisted with the Canadian forces in the Twenty-ninth Light Horse Regiment, but subsequently was discharged. Then, returning to New Brighton, Pennsylvania, he was assistant chemist at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, for one year, following which he located in Youngstown and engaged in photographic work. In February, 1922, he bought out his present studio at 26 West Federal Street.

Mr. Porter has two children, Lawrence Stuart and Ernest James. He is a republican in politics and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

EUGENE E. KLING was a boy when he came with his widowed mother from their native Germany to the United States and established their home in Youngstown, Ohio, and here he has won substantial and worthy success in connection with business affairs, as is indicated in the statement that he was the organizer and is the executive head of the Youngstown Burial Vault Company, which specializes in the production of high-grade burial vaults of concrete construction.

Mr. Kling was born in fine old Westphalia, Germany, July 22, 1888, and the death of his father there occurred in the following year. He is a son of Ernest Frederick and Lena (Geldmacher) Kling, both likewise natives of that section of Germany, where the father passed his entire life. The schools of his native land afforded Mr. Kling his early education, and it was about two months prior to his fifteenth birthday anniversary, May 20, 1903, that he arrived with his widowed mother, in the City of Youngstown, Ohio, where his elder brother, Fred, and his sister, Elfreda, had established residence a short time previously. Soon after his arrival in Youngstown Mr. Kling found employment with the Heller Brothers, here engaged in the lumber business, and later he was employed two years in the machine shops of a local steel mill. His ambition to supplement his somewhat limited education then led him to expend wisely a portion of his earnings for a course of one year in the Pennsylvania State College and attending the University of Ohio for a similar period. He then became associated with his brother Fred at Youngstown, and in 1914 they incorporated the Atlas Construction Company for the manufacturing of cement roofing-tiles. This corporation was later dissolved, and Mr. Kling acquired his brother's interest in the business. On the 15th of March, 1915, he established the Youngstown Burial Vault Company, and in this connection he has developed a prosperous industrial and commercial enterprise in the manufacturing of burial vaults of Portland cement, the office and works of the company, at 546 East Indianola Avenue, utilizing a ground area of 9,000 square feet, as the lot is 50 by 188 feet in dimensions. Mr. Kling is a member of the Concrete Products Association and the American Concrete Institute, and in politics he votes for men and measures rather than being constrained by strict partisan lines. He has proved himself a constructive worker in connection with his progressive business activities, and is a loyal and appreciative citizen of the land of his youthful adoption. To advance himself he began to attend the night schools of the local Young Men's Christian Association in the year of his arrival in Youngstown, and he thus continued his application until 1908.

November 14, 1914, recorded the marriage of Mr. Kling with Miss Ella Bindel, who was born in Karlsruhe, Germany, and they have two children, Ernest Frederick, born June 24, 1915, and Werner Herbert, born January 23, 1917.

EARL J. REDDEN. The records prove conclusively that no community begins to expand along permanent lines until its realty is taken in hand by experienced men who know the real value of land and the possibilities of a community. Through their far-sightedness and enthusiasm a growth is started which shows rapid progress, provided these realtors are given proper support. New communities are laid out and built up, but equally important results are attained in the older localities through the instrumentality of these same progressive and alert men of affairs, and Youngstown is no exception to this rule, for it owes much to the enterprise of those who have had the vision and faith to devote themselves to its development. One of these realtors worthy of more than passing mention is Earl J. Redden, senior member of the reliable realty firm of Redden & Knott, with headquarters at 409 Wick Building.

Earl J. Redden was born at Youngstown, February 14, 1892, a son of John and Bridget (McCormick) Redden, natives of Troy, New York, and Youngstown, Ohio, respectively. For a number of years the father has been employed by the Youngstown Packing Company.

Growing up in his native city, Earl J. Redden attended the Catholic school of his parish, and when he was fifteen years old began to earn his own living by working in a clothing store. For eleven years he continued this association, and in the meanwhile formed a wide acquaintance and studied realty values, and when he decided to go into business for himself as a realtor he was able to succeed from the start. Subsequently he took Joseph F. Knott into partnership with him, under the name of Redden & Knott, and they now handle a fair share of the business of their home city. Their policies are such as to commend them to the public, and their good judgment and enterprise bring patrons to them from a wide territory.

On June 8, 1921, Mr. Redden was married to Irene M. Diamond, of Youngstown, a daughter of James and Bridget (Laffey) Diamond, natives of Youngstown, and Pennsylvania, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Redden are consistent members of St. Patricks' Catholic Church of Youngstown. He is a zealous member of the Knights of Columbus. In political faith he is a republican.

JOSEPH FRIEDMAN is a prominent young attorney of the Youngstown bar, has achieved success in his profession, and since boyhood has depended upon his own exertions for his advancement.

He was born in Hungary, February 12, 1882, son of D. H. and Hannah (Moskovitz) Friedman. He came to the United States in 1895, at the age of thirteen, having previously attended school in his

native country. In New York he was a student in night school, learning the English language there and in his daily employment. He also attended high school in New York, and enrolled as a student in the law department of Baldwin-Wallace University. He received his Bachelor of Laws degree in June, 1908, was admitted to the Ohio bar the same year, and to the United States District Court in 1910.

Since his admission to the bar Mr. Friedman has built up a large general law practice and a splendid reputation as an attorney in Youngstown. He is a member of the Mahoning County and Ohio State Bar Associations, and is an independent in politics.

WILLIAM I. DAVIES, former city clerk and city auditor of Youngstown, has for a number of years been a prominent figure in banking circles in that city. He is cashier of one of the oldest banks of Youngstown, the Mahoning National Bank.

His home has been at Youngstown since 1880, when as a boy of four years he came from South Wales with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Davies. He was born in Wales, September 30, 1876. As a boy he attended the Front Street and the Oak Street Schools in Youngstown, and had his early business training as clerk in stores. From September, 1892, to 1896 he was employed in the city clerk's office, then became assistant clerk under Fred C. Brown, and upon the resignation of Mr. Brown in February, 1900, he was chosen by the City Council to serve out the unexpired term. A few weeks later he was elected city clerk for the full term and was re-elected. However, the new Ohio code going into effect made a new election necessary in May, 1903, and he was then chosen city auditor and twice re-elected. At the close of his last term of city auditor, in December, 1911, he had served the city government continuously for almost twenty years. He left public office to become auditor of the Mahoning National Bank, was promoted to assistant cashier in 1916, and in 1918 succeeded W. J. Roberts as cashier. While assistant cashier he had been chosen treasurer of the Mahoning Savings & Trust Company, which is operated exclusively as a savings bank and under a separate charter, though under the same management and ownership as the Mahoning National Bank.

Mr. Davies continues a public-spirited interest in civic affairs at Youngstown. In 1913 he was elected a member of the new charter commission. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. On September 30, 1911, he married Miss Mary Webb Donaldson, of Youngstown. She died in May, 1916, leaving one child, Margaret Isabella Davies.

RALPH HEATHERINGTON, who was captain of artillery during the World war, has gained a place of prominence in commercial, patriotic and civic affairs at Bellaire, his native city.

He was born at Bellaire June 19, 1893. His grandfather, Ralph Heatherington, a native of England, came to America as a young man and first settled at Bridgeport, Ohio, and later moved to Bellaire. His brother, Jacob Heatherington, was an extensive pioneer coal operator in Eastern Ohio, owning large quantities of land, including all the town site of Bellaire before it became a railroad and industrial city. Jacob Heatherington built the famous home in Bellaire frequently referred to in early history as the House that Jack Built. It was then the finest home in Eastern Ohio if not in the entire state.

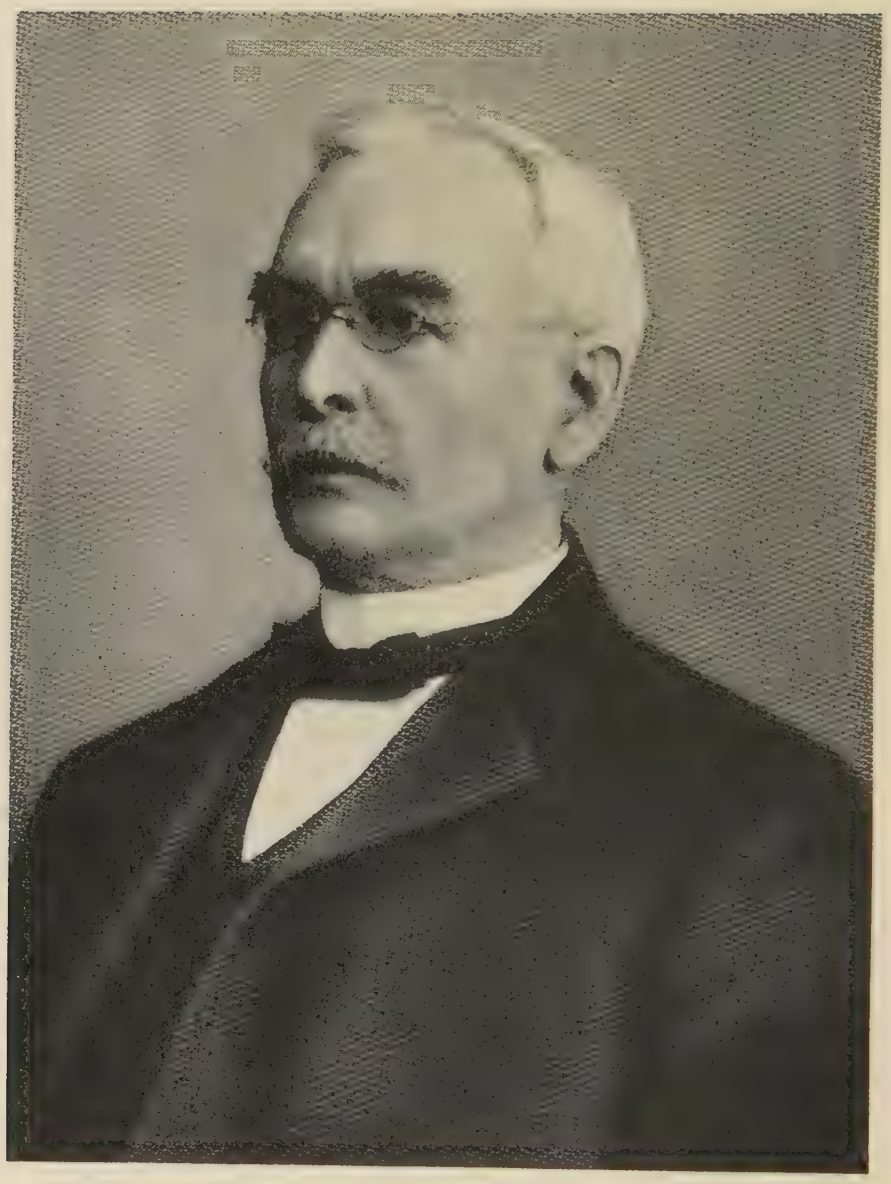
Joseph W. Heatherington, father of Captain Ralph, was born at Bridgeport, in 1850, and was six years of age when the family moved to Bellaire. For many years he was a mechanic with the Belmont Casket Manufacturing Company at Shadyside, and has also been active in Bellaire public affairs, serving twenty years as superintendent of water works and six years as director of public safety. The J. W. Heatherington Tent, No. 145, of the Maccabees at Bellaire was named in his honor. He has served as a member of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is active in republican politics and the Second Presbyterian Church. Joseph W. Heatherington and wife have been married more than half a century. Her maiden name was Miranda Blackburn, and she was born at Wheeling, West Virginia.

Captain Ralph Heatherington is the youngest in a family of six children. While attending the Bellaire High School he was a leader in athletics and for all four years was president of his class. Following that he spent a year in the engineering department of Washington and Jefferson College, then entered Ohio Wesleyan University, where he graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1916. At Ohio Wesleyan he was a Delta Tau Delta, participated in college athletics, and was a member of the famous Ohio Wesleyan Glee Club that visited forty-two states of the Union. His scholastic record brought him membership in the honorary fraternity Phi Beta Kappa.

Captain Heatherington, after leaving Ohio Wesleyan, became a teacher and athletic instructor in historic Linsly Institute at Wheeling. He was there about a year when America entered the World war. On May 15, 1917, he entered the First Officers Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, was trained in the artillery, and received a commission as second lieutenant of artillery in August, 1917. He was assigned to duty with the Eighth Field Artillery Brigade, being regimental adjutant during the time the brigade was in the School of Fire at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, at Camp Wheeler, Georgia, and Camp McClellan, Alabama. He then went overseas to France, and from first lieutenant was promoted to captain on January 1, 1918. He served with the Eighth Field Artillery Brigade in France as regimental adjutant until June, 1919. He was at Camp Meucon and Pont-a-Meucon while in France.

Following his return from the World war, Captain Heatherington spent six months in the engineering department of the City of Bellaire, being cost engineer on city paving. In 1920 he became teacher of modern European history in the Wheeling High School, and since February, 1923, has been salesman over West Virginia and Pennsylvania for the Standard Slag Company, Bellaire branch.

Captain Heatherington has had a prominent part in all the World war veterans' organizations. He has been a member of the executive committee of the state department of the American Legion and is a member of Bellaire Post. He also belongs to the social branch of the American Legion known as the 40 and 8 Society, being one of the charter members of the Ohio state organizations. He is also a member of the veterans' organization known as the Voitures, being an organizer of the Voitures in West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio, and in 1923 was chef de train and in 1924 chef de Garre, the highest office of the Ohio department. He is also head of the Belmont County Voitures, No. 139. He has kept up a lively interest in republican politics, serving on the Belmont County Executive Committee, was candidate for the State Legislature, and in 1920 was campaign manager of General Leonard Wood's campaign in the Eighteenth Congressional District of Ohio. He is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church, and has been superintendent of its Sunday school. Fraternally he is affiliated with Bellaire Lodge, No. 19, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Bellaire Lodge, No. 267, Free and Accepted Masons, Carson Lodge, Lodge of Perfection, Cutler Council, Princess of Jerusalem,



Mozart Gallup

Born May 25, 1829. Died September 6, 1923.

Drummond Chapter of the Rose Croix of the Valley of Steubenville, and Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite at Columbus, and also Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He is former president of the Americus Club of Bellaire. Captain Heatherington withholds his active participation from no worthy civic or social enterprise. He has a splendid selection of war trophies, and his hobby is antique American furniture, of which he has selected many notable specimens. Captain Heatherington has one son, Fred Ralph Heatherington.

THOMAS HERSCHEL WHITESIDE, D. D. S., was one of the veteran, honored and representative dental practitioners in the City of Youngstown, Mahoning County, at the time of his death, July 13, 1921, and such was his sterling character, such his worthy achievement, that to him is due a memorial tribute in this history.

Doctor Whiteside was born at Harmonsburg, Pennsylvania, August 29, 1849, and was a son of James and Mary Martha (Nelson) Whiteside, who passed their entire lives in the old Keystone State, where the father conducted for a number of years a resort hotel on Conneaut Lake in Crawford County. Doctor Whiteside gained his early education in the common schools of Pennsylvania, and as a boy and youth he gained no little reputation as a successful hunter and trapper, besides which he developed marked skill as a disciple of Izaak Walton, his early opportunities for fishing having been excellent, as the family home was maintained much of the time in the Lakeside Hotel, mentioned earlier in this paragraph. It may be recorded also that as a youth he manufactured the first clinker boats used for rowing on this lake, and he sold each of these boats for seventy-five dollars. Ambitious and self-reliant, with marked mental vigor, Doctor Whiteside not only advanced his education by attending Alleghany College, at Meadville, Pennsylvania, but also studied dentistry under private preceptorship prior to entering the Pennsylvania Dental College at Philadelphia, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1874. Thereafter the Doctor was engaged in practice for a time at Meadville, and later he was established in practice at Jamestown, Pennsylvania, where he remained until he came with his family to Ohio and established his home at Youngstown. Here he built up a substantial and representative practice that marked him as one of the leading dentists in this section of the state, and he continued in the active practice of his profession until his death, in July, 1921. He was identified with various professional organizations, was a Knights Templar Mason, and at Youngstown was a zealous member of the Tabernacle United Presbyterian Church. The Doctor was a man of fine personality, and in all of the relations of his long and useful life he manifested a high sense of personal stewardship.

December 19, 1872, recorded the marriage of Doctor Whiteside and Miss Flora Grier, who was born at Harmonsburg, Pennsylvania, February 27, 1852, a daughter of Dr. James Wilson Grier and Jane Eliza (McClure) Grier. Doctor Grier was born in Crawford County, Pennsylvania, and became one of the skilled and influential physicians and surgeons of his day in his native state. He was a son of James and Frances (Wilson) Grier, the former of whom was born in Germany and the latter in Ireland. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Whiteside has continued to maintain her residence in Youngstown, where she owns and occupies a beautiful modern home at 117 East Midlothian Boulevard. Of the children the eldest is James Grier Whiteside, who is a wholesale dealer in dental supplies at Youngstown; Pearl is the wife of Venice J. Lamb, of Youngstown; and William H. and Frank P. likewise reside in this city. There were also two other daughters, each of whom died in infancy.

Mrs. Whiteside, a woman of culture and most gracious personality, has long been a popular factor in church, social and cultural circles in Youngstown. She had the advantages not only of the Pennsylvania State Normal School at Edinboro, but also attended Hillsdale College, at Hillsdale, Michigan, besides which she received art training under able instructors and is specially talented as an artist in oil painting, as well as in sketching and drawing, her own art productions adding greatly to the attractiveness of her home, which is known for its generous hospitality. Mrs. Whiteside is an influential member of the Garden Club of Youngstown, of which she has served as secretary, as well as holding other official positions.

MOZART GALLUP in the course of a very long and useful life was identified with Sandusky as a manfacturer, banker and civic leader, and his name is especially honored in that Ohio community.

He represented old New England ancestry, and was born at Agawam, Massachusetts, May 25, 1829, the son of Palmer and Desire (Ball) Gallup, his father a native of Groton and his mother of Agawam, Massachusetts, the latter being a daughter of Capt. Eli Ball, also a native of Massachusetts. The paternal grandparents were Ben Adam and Cynthia (Fish) Gallup, natives of Massachusetts. The former Gallup was a very talented musician and taught music in Boston and named his son in honor of one of his favorite composers.

Mozart Gallup was educated in a literary institute at Suffield, Connecticut, and was fifteen years of age when he came west to Ohio, being employed in a general store at Elyria for several years. For six years he was county auditor of Lorain County. After selling his store he became a cheese manufacturer, and for a year and a half was in Glasgow, Scotland, associated with his brother-in-law, Mr. Fish, in the asbestos business.

On returning to the United States Mr. Gallup located at Sandusky, and became financially interested in the Sandusky Tool Company and finally bought and became sole proprietor of that important industry. He was at its active head until his death on September 6, 1923. He was buried in the old family cemetery at Mystic, Connecticut. The late Mr. Gallup was president of the Commercial Bank at Sandusky for many years. He was a life member of the Sandusky Yacht Club, an honorary member of the Sunyendeand Club, belonged to the Sons of the American Revolution at Cleveland and the Founders and Patriarchs of America. His ancestry went back to the time of the Mayflower. He was a very active Presbyterian, holding most of the church offices.

The first wife of Mr. Gallup was Mary Bagg, who died two years after her marriage, leaving a son, Frank M., now deceased. His second wife was Hannah Gilbert, who left a daughter, Mary H., of Sandusky. In 1900 Mr. Gallup married Gladys Overmyer, who was born at Lindsay, Ohio, daughter of Louis W. and Lovina (Foster) Overmyer, natives of Sandusky and granddaughter of William and Elizabeth (Eversole) Overmyer, the former a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Sandusky. William Overmyer was one of the earliest settlers of the Black Swamp of Ohio, building a log cabin and developing a thrifty farm, the village of Lindsay now occuping a portion of it. Mrs. Gallup's maternal grandparents were Christopher and Catherine (Overmyer) Foster, natives of Pennsylvania. The father of Mrs. Gallup was a teacher for several years, and a talented musician, being a band leader, and individually a master performer on the wind instruments. He conducted a lumber business for

some years, and with a brother was in the general mercantile business at Lindsay forty-two years, a portion of that time serving as postmaster. He was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and was a member of the English Reformed Church. Mrs. Gallup has her home at 532 Wayne Street at Sandusky. She grew up and received her public school education at Lindsay, Ohio. She is an active member of the Presbyterian Church and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Samuel Graham Adair, M. D. For a period of forty-five years Doctor Adair has practiced medicine in Beverly, Washington County. He is one of the honored old citizens of that community, respected for his professional attainment and also as one of the last surviving veterans of the Civil war. He comes of a military family, several of whom were soldiers in the Civil war, and his own sons were enrolled at the time of the World war.

Doctor Adair was born at Winterset, Guernsey County, Ohio, September 16, 1847, son of Arthur B. and Ellen (Orr) Adair. His mother was born in Ireland, and was an infant when her parents came to America and settled in Ohio. Arthur B. Adair was also a native of Guernsey County, and spent his active career as a farmer. On August 20, 1861, he volunteered as a Union soldier for a period of three years or the duration of the war. He was in Company C of the Thirtieth Ohio Infantry, and participated in the splendid record of the regiment in battles, including Carnifax Ferry, South Mountain, Antietam, Vicksburg, Jackson, Missionary Ridge, Dallas, Georgia, the general assault at Kenesaw Mountain, siege of Atlanta, Georgia, Jonesboro, North Carolina.

Samuel Graham Adair was reared on a farm, attended local schools, and due to his rugged strength and constitution he was accepted as a volunteer when only fifteen years of age. He was assigned duty in the Transportation Department, and drove pack mules from Camp Nelson, Kentucky, to Cumberland Gap. After the war he continued his education at Atwood Institute in Albany, Athens County, and was a teacher in Athens County, for two years having charge of the Marshfield Academy and was also connected with the schools at Amesville.

Doctor Adair began the reading of medicine under his brother, Dr. William Adair, at Amesville, Ohio. Dr. William Adair was also a veteran of the Civil war, serving with an infantry regiment, and was a graduate of Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati. Samuel Graham Adair also attended lectures and graduated in 1879 from Ohio Medical College. He began his private practice at Marshfield in Athens County, but later in the same year, in the fall of 1879, located at Beverly in Washington County. He has performed the duties of a country practitioner, doing the heavy work required in the days before the general installation of telephones and the building of good roads. He has kept in touch with the advancing discoveries of the medical and surgical profession, and in 1901 attended post-graduate school in Chicago. Doctor Adair served twenty years as a member of the Pension Board, for a similar length of time was a member of the Beverly School Board, and has also served on the Health Board. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and a republican in politics.

Doctor Adair married Miss Ella F. Patterson, of Amesville, daughter of John Patterson. Five children were born to their marriage. The daughter, Florence B., is the wife of Truman C. T. Wells, of Beverly. Dr. Wilbur G. is a dentist practicing at Cincinnati. Dr. Frank E. is a graduate of Marietta College, graduated in medicine at Johns Hopkins University of Baltimore and spent fourteen months overseas durin the World war, holding the rank of captain in the Medical Corps, at first assigned duty at a base hospital and then at his own request was put on the battle line in the Motor Medical Service. He is now a New York surgeon. The third son, Raymond G., enlisted during the World war, being a private, corporal, sergeant, and at the Officers Training School at Fort Sherman received a first lieutenant's commission, and during the last months of the war was engaged in training soldiers at Camp Hancock, Georgia. He is now safety director of the American Rolling Mills at Middletown, Ohio. The oldest child, Lee P. Adair, born in 1880, was associated with the construction department of the Bell Telephone Company, and died as the result of influenza at the age of forty in Pennsylvania.

Henry LeRoy Senseman, M. D. Possessed of an excellent training, a real predilection for his profession and a genuine liking therefor, Dr. LeRoy Senseman has made notable strides in the ranks of medicine and surgery since his entry therein in 1913, particularly in the field of treatment and cure of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, in which he specializes. While he has not been long a resident of Miamisburg, since his arrival in this community he has made a favorable impression, and in addition to building up a satisfying practice has established numerous friendships.

Doctor Senseman was born in 1886, at West Charleston, Ohio, and is a son of Cornelius and Cecelia Senseman, farming people of that community, where they were held in high esteem. In his youth he attended the public schools, and in 1903 was graduated from the high school at Bethel, Ohio, following which he pursued a course at Jacobs' Business College. His education at this time was interrupted, and for three years he worked as a stenographer and bookkeeper, at the end of that period he again became a student, this time at Starling Medical College, Columbus, Ohio, from which he was graduated with his degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1913. Doctor Senseman spent one year in a hospital, nine months as an externe and three months as an interne, and in 1914 was forced to go West because of the ill health of his brother, whom he accompanied to Denver, Colorado. After practicing for two years in Colorado Doctor Senseman returned to Ohio and took up his residence at Port Williams, where he spent five years in practice. This was followed by two and one-half years at Dayton. He then spent six months in post-graduate work at New Orleans and Chicago, after which he settled at Miamisburg, where he has since made his home and followed his calling. He occupies four well-appointed rooms, used for office purposes, and they are equipped with all modern appliances known to the profession, particularly in the line of work used in the treatment of ailments of the eye, ear, nose and throat, in which Doctor Senseman specializes, although he also carries on a large general practice. He has been a thorough student of his profession, and since obtaining his degree has done post-graduate work at the Polyclinic School, Chicago, and Tulane University, New Orleans. He belongs to the Montgomery County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association, and is medical examiner for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, the Ohio State Life Insurance Company, and others. He belongs to the Alpha Mu Pi Omega college fraternity, and his religious connection is with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In 1915 Doctor Senseman was united in marriage with Miss Grace E. Solt, of Columbus, Ohio, daughter of Charles and Catherine Solt. She was educated at Lancaster, Ohio, and at the Ohio Northern University, Ada, and is an active club and social worker and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Three

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children have been born to Doctor and Mrs. Senseman: Cornelius, aged eight years, who is attending public school at Miamisburg; Paul, aged six years; and Lewis, aged four years.

HERMAN R. BERNSTEIN. Much progress has been made during recent years in the preservation of the vision by fitting the eyes with proper glasses. Not only is failing sight restored through the medium of glasses, but serious defects either cured or counteracted by the use of them, and state and national regulations are now protecting the public against incompetent persons. One of the members of this profession at Hamilton who has been very active in securing the establishment of a State Board of Examiners for his calling, and who is the oldest optometrist in practice in Butler County, is Herman R. Bernstein.

Mr. Bernstein was born in Prussia, June 16, 1870, a son of Isaac and Sarah Bernstein, both of whom are now deceased. The father was a farmer and innkeeper of Prussia. Coming to the United States as a lad of fifteen years, alone and friendless, Herman R. Bernstein has made his own way in the world and his present prosperity is very creditable to him.

Landing at Baltimore, Maryland, he went from there to Cincinnati, Ohio, and after three days continued his journey to Felicity, Clermont County, Ohio. There he attended the public schools, and later took up work in the night schools of Cincinnati. Five brothers and three sisters of Mr. Bernstein also came to the United States, including: Henry, who is a merchant of Cincinnati; Lee, who is a merchant of Portland, Maine; Mose, who is a realtor of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Mrs. Anna Cotton and Jennie, both of whom reside at Portland, Maine.

It was with one of his brothers that Mr. Bernstein began his business career in the dry goods trade at Batavia, Ohio, and then after two years he took a course at the South Bend Optical College. Following his graduation he opened an office as an optometrist at Monterey, Ohio, and maintained it for three years. Then for four years he was located at Owenwell, Ohio, and for three years he was at Batavia, Ohio. In 1902 he established himself permanently at Hamilton, over the Frechtling Dry Goods Company's store, and subsequently moved to his present beautiful and spacious quarters, 27 Main Street. As before stated, he was a very strong and active advocate of the State Board of Examiners, and was licensed by the first board in 1920. His equipment is complete and very modern, including globe, sanitary test cabinet, globe sanitary chair, ophtholanotometer, and similar devices. For the past eighteen years he has belonged to the state and national associations of his calling. While he is a republican, he is not active in local party affairs. Fraternally he maintains membership with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is a past grand, and the Knights of Pythias.

In 1897 Mr. Bernstein was married to Miss Rella Crosley, of Clermont County, Ohio, a daughter of James and Mary Crosley. Mr. and Mrs. Bernstein have no children.

R. EARL VAN DERVEER has been a leading member of the Montgomery County bar since 1907, having conducted a successful practice at Dayton until the war, and since then has had his offices in Miamisburg. Mr. Van Derveer is one of the most forceful orators and campaigners of the republican party in this section of Ohio.

He was born at Franklin, Ohio, October 9, 1883, son of Benjamin and Ella (Thirkield) Van Derveer. His father was a business man at Franklin, where the son was reared, and he attended public schools. He continued his education in the Middletown High School, graduated from the Steel High School in 1902, and for a time studied in a big law office. He completed his legal education in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, graduating in 1907. Soon afterwards he opened his law offices in Dayton, and gained an important volume of high class business. He closed his office entirely in 1918 to enter the Government service as an inspector in the air craft division. After the armistice he resumed practice, with an office at Miamisburg. Mr. Van Derveer was admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court in 1920, and during 1922-23 served as inheritance tax collector in Montgomery County. He is a member of the Dayton and Ohio State Bar associations.

Mr. Van Derveer, who is unmarried, is a member of the Masonic Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Rotary Club, Methodist Episcopal Church, is chairman of the Community Welfare Association, and has held every office in the national, state and local chapters of the Alpha Omega college fraternity.

In 1924 Mr. Van Derveer was elected a delegate of the Ohio State Republican Convention. In former years he served as president of the Taft Club at Dayton, Ohio, as secretary of the Garfield Club, as president of the G. O. P. Club, and president of the Harding Club of Montgomery County. He is a member of the Union League Club at Dayton. He has campaigned in every election for about twenty years, and his work as an effective figure has caused the committee to assign him speaking tours over the entire state.

WALTER DALE. It is a somewhat remarkable fact that although farming is a very exacting occupation there is not any other from which men can retire with so good a competency while they have yet a number of years in which to enjoy the comfort and leisure to which their former years of industry entitle them. There is not a city or smaller community in the country which has not its element of retired farmers, and these men, with plenty of time at their disposal, ripened by experience, and broadened by the knowledge they have acquired, are able to give to civic affairs a consideration and attention that others still in the arena of business activity cannot. Elyria is one of the smaller cities of the Commonwealth of Ohio who numbers among its most highly esteemed citizens a number of retired farmers, and one worthy of special mention among this class is Walter Dale, who is now eighty-four years old.

Walter Dale was born in La Grange Township, Lorain County, Ohio, August 27, 1840, a son of Abbott and Malinda (Pease) Dale, natives of Western Vermont, who in 1835 came to Lorain County. They made the long trip by way of the Erie Canal to Buffalo, New York, and from there by lake traffic to Cleveland, Ohio, and completed their trip with teams. Buying fifty acres of wild land, which was divided by the Black River, Abbott Dale worked hard to clear it of timber. When they moved on the place there was a small log house standing, but it was not long before he built another house, and tearing down the old one used the logs for fencing his farmyard. His death occurred on this farm in August, 1872, and her death, in January, 1873.

Walter Dale did not receive very good educational advantages, but he did supplement the knowledge gained in the district schools with one term at a select school when he was twenty years old. After having had some little experience in working on neighboring farms, when he was twenty-one years old Walter Dale took charge of his father's farm, and operated it in partnership with his brother-in-law until 1867, when the partnership was dissolved and Mr. Dale worked

the farm alone until 1872. In that year he moved on a farm of eighty acres on Vermont Street in La Grange Township, to which he subsequently added forty acres more. In 1886 he bought twenty-eight acres in the City of La Grange. This last he sold in 1912, and in 1913 came to Elyria, where he bought a new modern residence, 217 Howe Street, where he has since lived retired.

On December 20, 1866, Mr. Dale married Loantha White, who was born in Pittsfield Township, Lorain County, a daughter of Jonathan and Samantha (Amy) White, natives of Saratoga Springs, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Dale had one daughter, Addie, who was born in 1868. She died in 1912. Mrs. Dale died in July, 1896. In December, 1898, Mr. Dale married Helen M. (Rawson) Arnold, who was born in Pittsfield Township, Lorain County, a daughter of Ropha and Betsy (Fulton) Rawson, natives of New York. The second Mrs. Dale died in March, 1915. On September 14, 1915, Mr. Dale married Mrs. May E. (Ingersoll) Billings, who was born at Grafton, Ohio, September 28, 1851, a daughter of Edwin H. and Amelia Ann (Kinsley) Ingersoll. She was the widow of George M. Billings, who was born at La Grange, Ohio, a son of Orson and Sophronia (Buell) Billings, natives of New York. By her first marriage Mrs. Dale had the following children: Pearl A., who is the wife of Frank Gibson, of Cleveland, Ohio, and has two children, Lisle B., who served overseas in the Red Cross during the World war, although only seventeen years old, and Ford M.; Frank C., who resides at Elyria, Ohio, married Maude McNelly, and they have one son, Frank. Mr. Dale is a Methodist, and while residing at La Grange was active as a class leader and as a member of the official board of the church. He also belonged to the Knights of Pythias Lodge at La Grange.

Frank Cyrus Billings, an ex-turnkey at the county jail for Lorain County, is one of the representative men of Elyria, and one who has been responsible for a good many of the improvements in this locality and in and about La Grange. He was born at La Grange, Ohio, June 14, 1873, a son of George Mortimer and May E. (Ingersoll) Billings, the latter now Mrs. Walter Dale of Elyria. George Mortimer Billings was born at La Grange (a son of Orsen and Sophronia (Buell) Billings, natives of Rochester, New York. Orsen Billings was an inventor of considerable note, among his inventions being the first corn planter, a ball and socket as swivel gear. He was also a manufacturer of organs, and built a factory at Elyria, intending to manufacture them and some of the many appliances his inventive genius was constantly producing, but his health failed and he died soon after settling in this city. May E. Ingersoll was born at Belden, Ohio, a daughter of Edwin and Amelia (Kinsley) Ingersoll, who were married in Lorain County. Amelia Kinsley was a daughter of Daniel Kinsley, one of the first settlers of Lorain County. George Mortimer Billings was for some years a farmer of Lorain County, but during the latter part of his life he lived in retirement at Elyria, where he died. After his death his widow was married to Walter Dale.

Until he was eighteen years old Frank Cyrus Billings attended the public schools of La Grange, but then went to Topeka, Kansas, and was there engaged in farming for two years. In the fall of 1893 he returned home, and then visited the World's Fair at Chicago, Illinois. Coming back to the old homestead, he operated it until 1896, and then rented it. When his father died he bought the interest of his mother and sister in the 240 acres, in La Grange Township, and continued to operate this valuable farm until 1919, when he came to Elyria and embarked in a real estate business, which he conducted for three years. He was also deputy sheriff, and on January 1, 1923, was appointed turnkey at the county jail, but re-engaged in the real estate business in August, 1923.

On March 9, 1896, Mr. Billings married Maude Evelyn McNelly, who was born at Elyria, Ohio, a daughter of James and Bertha (Tippin) McNelly, natives of Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Billings have one son, Dorrwood Arthur, who was born January 19, 1898, and is a resident of Elyria. He married Anna Richmond, a native of La Grange, and a daughter of W. B. and Mary (Cliff) Richmond, natives of La Grange, and they have a son named Jack R.

Mr. Billings attends the Church of Christ. He is a democrat and for two terms served as a trustee of La Grange, and for one term was a member of the school board. It is due to his public spirit and good management that the first stone road was built outside of La Grange. Fraternally he maintains membership with the Masonic order, the Knights of Pythias and the Modern Woodmen of America, all of La Grange; and of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and of the Loyal Order of Maccabees, both of Elyria. He also belongs to the Lorain County Auto Club.

Harry J. Tietig, president of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Miamisburg, has been well and favorably known in that great tobacco center for a number of years as a dealer in leaf tobacco.

The Farmers and Merchants Bank was organized December 21, 1923, with a capital stock of $30,000 and surplus of $6,000. Mr. Harry J. Tietig became president and Fred W. Rosnagle, cashier, and these two officers have as associate directors: S. W. Mitchell, J. G. Kline, V. L. Spriggs, William Kuhn, A. M. Frye, W. B. Byers and Virgil S. Knight.

Mr. Harry J. Tietig was born April 2, 1873, at Cincinnati, son of Henry and Freda (Kahle) Tietig. His father was in the leaf tobacco business at Miamisburg until his death on October 2, 1923, being survived by his widow.

Harry J. Tietig is a graduate of high school in Cincinnati, and then was associated with his father in the cigar business until 1907. Since that year his home has been in Miamisburg, and he has been one of the prominent men in the leaf tobacco business there, doing business with practically all the tobacco growers in Southwestern Ohio.

Mr. Tietig is also director of the Miamisburg Building and Loan Association, and is a Royal Arch Mason. He married Miss Blanche Slusser, of Cincinnati, in 1899. She is a graduate of the Cincinnati High School, and is a member of the Dayton Woman's Club. They have one daughter, Beatrice, who graduated from the Miamisburg High School, attended Western College for Women at Oxford, Ohio, and is now taking a secretarial course in the Bliss College of Columbus.

Maj. Charles Tilden Hunt, M. D., of Miamisburg, who served with the rank of major in the Medical Corps during the World war, has been a prominent man in his profession in Montgomery County for nearly twenty years and enjoys exceptional standing as a citizen and a useful member of his community.

He was born at West Sonora, Ohio, October 6, 1876, son of Joseph and Milvina (Rex) Hunt, the latter living. His father was a farmer, and died in 1908. Doctor Hunt grew up in a country district, graduated from the high school at Ansonia, Ohio, in 1896, and for several years was engaged in teaching, his school work being done principally in the City of Springfield. In 1902 he entered the Ohio-Miami Medical College at Cincinnati, was graduated in 1906, and in the same year began the general practice of

medicine and surgery in Miamisburg, where he has continued with little interruption. He is a member of the Montgomery County, Ohio State and American Medical Associations, and was vice-president of the Montgomery County Society in 1908. In addition to his general practice Mr. Hunt served as health officer of Miamisburg, Ohio, for two years prior to the World war, and does a large amount of work for insurance companies, acting as examiner for such well-known organizations as the Preferred Life, Globe Indemnity, Union Central Life, National of Hartford, North American Accident, National Life, Metropolitan, Postal Life, Washington Life, Pittsburgh Life and Trust, Midland Mutual, Aetna Life, Western and Southern Life, American Central, Lincoln National, Gem City, Hartford Life, Equitable Life, Ohio State, International Life, Life Extension Institute, Masonic Mutual and Travelers Life.

Doctor Hunt was commissioned a captain in the Medical Corps of the United States Army April 26, 1917, and was stationed for duty at Fort Thomas, Kentucky. On March 15, 1918, he was promoted to the rank of major, and was recommended by his superior officers for promotion to lieutenant colonel, but the armistice came too soon to carry out that promotion. Since the war he has held the rank of major in the Medical Reserve Corps. Major Hunt is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Lodge and Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and is a Methodist.

He married in 1898 Miss Grace Anna Fry, of Ansonia, Ohio, a graduate of the high school there and of Mount Union College. She takes an active part in social and civic affairs, being a member of the Monday Night Club and the Eastern Star at Miamisburg. Doctor and Mrs. Hunt have one daughter, Marjorie Lois, who is a graduate of the Miamisburg High School, and is now the wife of Herbert F. Rader, of Mohawk, Tennessee, who is connected with the National Cash Register Company. Mr. and Mrs. Rader have one child, Joyce Evelyn. Doctor Hunt has a beautiful residence and office at South Fifth Street.

Carl Clinton Borden, M. D. A physician and surgeon at Miamisburg, Doctor Borden has had the advantage of unusual experience and the opportunities of training in some of the foremost schools and hospitals of the country. He has a profitable practice, and the best years of his life lie before him, his attainments promising him a high rank in the medical fraternity of Ohio.

Doctor Borden was born at Eureka, Kansas, September 1, 1893, but was reared and has spent most of his life in Ohio. His parents were Perry and Ada (Couchman) Borden, his father a rancher and farmer. Carl Clinton Borden graduated in 1910 from the high school at Springsboro, Ohio, did his pre-medical work in the Ohio Wesleyan University of Delaware and graduated in medicine from the Ohio State University in 1915. He had experience as an interne in St. Elizabeth's Hospital at Dayton, and completed two courses in the New York Post-Graduate School and also two courses in the New York Lying-in Hospital.

Doctor Borden for four years carried on a general practice at Springsboro, and since 1919 his home has been in Miamisburg. On removing to Miamisburg he resigned as vice president of the Warren County Medical Society. He is a member of the Montgomery County, Ohio State and American Medical Associations, and he acts as examiner for the Union Central Life Insurance Company, for the Capital Savings Life, the Midland Mutual and the American Insurance Union.

Doctor Borden is serving as chairman of the Crippled Children's Committee of the Rotary Club. During the World war he was a member of the Medical Reserve Corps. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. He married Miss Ethel Pence, of Springsboro, Ohio, September 7, 1914. Her parents are W. C. and Clara (Blackford) Pence, her father a retired farmer at Springsboro. Mrs. Borden was educated in the Springsboro High School, and takes an active part in church and social affairs at Miamisburg. They have two children: Craig Warren, born August 31, 1915, and Helen Louise, born July 1, 1917.

George H. Gerke, superintendent of the public schools, began teaching as a young man, and has continued the profession for over twenty years, acquiring a broad range of experience in school affairs.

Mr. Gerke was born at Martins's Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio, October 2, 1879, son of August and Augusta (Hasselman) Gerke. August came to this country from Germany while the Civil war was in progress, and three weeks after his arrival enlisted in the Union Army. He was in service two years, until wounded at the battle of Chancellorsville, and for over a year was suffering from his wounds in the hospital. He then rejoined his regiment, and remained until the close of the war, but died at the comparatively early age of forty-nine as the result of wounds and exposure. His widow now lives at Dillonvale.

George H. Gerke was reared on a farm in Jefferson County, Ohio, and attended rural schools and the high school at Dillonvale. In the meantime he had begun teaching, spending three years in rural school work in Jefferson County, for four years was principal of the Tiltonsville schools, taught for two years in the Knox Township High School in Jefferson County, and for one year was assistant postmaster at Dillonvale. From 1910 to 1914 he was principal of the high school at Franklin, was district superintendent of Warren County from 1914 to 1916, and from 1916 to 1918 was superintendent at Kings Mills, Ohio. Since 1918 he has been superintendent of the Franklin public schools.

In the meantime he was continuing his own higher education. In 1917 he graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from the National Normal University at Lebanon, and graduated Bachelor of Arts from Wilmington College, Wilmington, Ohio, in 1918. A member of the Warren County Teachers Association, he served twelve years as a member of its executive committee. He was a member of the Sectional Teachers Association, the State Teachers Association, and for four years was a member of the Board of Examiners of Warren County. At Franklin he has under his supervision a school system, including four school buildings, a staff of twenty-six teachers, and 850 pupils. Under his supervision the schools have made a great deal of progress since he took charge. He served as master in 1922 of the Masonic Lodge, and is a member of the Rotary Club of Franklin.

On September 1, 1903, he married Miss Margaret Tidrick, of Sherodsville, Ohio, daughter of Benjamin and Arabelle (Russell) Tidrick. Her father was a prominent contractor of Sherodsville. Mrs. Gerke was educated in rural schools in Carroll County, in the high school at Rayland, and is a member of the Mothers' Club of Franklin. Both she and Mr. Gerke are active workers in the Methodist Church. They have three children, Wilma, born in 1905, educated in the Franklin High School, and now assistant bookkeeper in the First and Merchants National Bank of Middletown; Mildred, born in 1908, and Helen, born in 1914.

Silas S. Stahl, M. D., a prominent man in his profession in Warren County, Dr. Silas S. Stahl is a

physician and surgeon at Franklin, and is a man of unusual accomplishments and experience. He was in the medical service during the World war.

He was born at Fostoria, Ohio, March 10, 1869, son of Levi and Mary (Longnecker) Stahl. His mother died in 1878. His father, still living, has been a successful farmer. Silas S. Stahl was reared on an Ohio farm, attended public schools, graduated from the Fostoria Academy in 1888, and while working at other things, paid his way through several other institutions of learning. He graduated from the Kidder Academy at Kidder, Missouri, and in 1895 received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Drury College at Springfield, Missouri, and his Master of Arts degree from the same institution in 1898. In 1899 he was a post-graduate student of chemistry in the University of Chicago. Doctor Stahl in 1896 was elected professor of science in Southern Collegiate Institute at Albion, Illinois, and held that chair for four years. He graduated in medicine in 1905 from St. Louis University, and in the fall of that year was elected assistant professor of surgery under Dr. C. M. Nicholson of the St. Louis University. In 1906 he located at Franklin, Ohio, where he engaged in general practice. Doctor Stahl in 1918 went to France as assistant medical director under the Young Men's Christian Association. Prior to leaving this country he took special work in children's diseases in the New York Polyclinic. While in general practice, he is recognized as a specialist in anesthesia. Doctor Stahl is a member of the Warren County, the Ohio State and American Medical associations. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Eastern Star. He is local examiner for a number of life insurance companies, including the Metropolitan, the Prudential, the Union, the Gem City, the Equitable, the Northwestern, the Western and Southern, and the Columbia.

Doctor Stahl married Miss Anna Mary Sellers, of Albion, Illinois, daughter of Doctor Amos and Myra (Maltbie) Sellers. Her father was a successful physician at Waynesville, Ohio, and died in 1879, while the mother of Mrs. Stahl died in 1900. Mrs. Stahl is a finished musician, having studied under the instruction of John Van Cleve, William H. Sherwood and Frederick Grant Gleeson of Chicago, and in the College of Music at Cincinnati. For five years she taught music in the Southern Collegiate Institute at Albion, Illinois, where Doctor Stahl was also a professor. Mrs. Stahl is a member of the Mother Tongue Club, the Woman's Music Club of Dayton, is past worthy matron of the Eastern Star, and is organist in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Both Doctor and Mrs. Stahl are active in church affairs, Doctor Stahl having been a member of the official board of the church since he has been a member, and is also district steward. The only child of Doctor and Mrs. Stahl was Edward, who died in infancy. They have an adopted daughter, Kate Ellen, who is a graduate of the Oxford College for Women at Oxford, Ohio.

Guy Gaynor, who was with the Marines in France until wounded in one of the important battles in which the American troops were engaged, since the war has completed his law studies, is well established in practice at Franklin, and is mayor of that town.

Mr. Gaynor was born at Franklin, Ohio, June 4, 1898, son of Patrick and Amanda (Van Dyke) Gaynor. His father earned his reputation as a lawyer of exceptional ability in Franklin. Guy Gaynor was reared and educated in his native town, attending high school there, and in 1917, soon after America entered the World war, he enlisted and joined the Marine Corps. He saw fourteen months of service in France, being at Verdun and in the battles of Chateau Thierry and Soissons, where he was wounded July 19, 1918. For four months he was in a hospital in France, was invalided home, and received his discharge from the army May 7, 1919. Mr. Gaynor is a member of the American Legion and Wounded Veterans of the World War.

Soon after returning from the army he entered the Cincinnati Law School, was graduated in 1922, and in the same year engaged in general practice at Franklin. He is unmarried. Mr. Gaynor was elected mayor November 19, 1923, and began his duties in January, 1924. As mayor he handles all the city criminal cases as magistrate, and also some civil cases. He was elected as mayor on the motto, "enforcement of law without discrimination." He is a member of the Warren County and Ohio State Bar associations, is a republican, being active in party affairs, is a member of the Phi Alpha Delta, law fraternity, and the Methodist Church.

The Oxford Retreat is one of the oldest hospitals for the treatment of mental and nervous diseases in Ohio. It is an incorporated institution, the first incorporation having been made in 1882, under the laws of Ohio. In forty years this has become one of the largest private sanatoriums in the Middle West, being firmly established in the confidence of the people and also having the hearthy endorsement of the medical profession. The Retreat is located on a site of ninety acres of beautiful country in the vicinity of Oxford in Butler County, and the grounds are made attractive through nature and landscape gardening. The main building, erected at a cost of $100,000, contains 144 rooms, divided into wards of ten to thirteen rooms each. Besides the rooms and other facilities affording creature comfort to the patients there are many other departments of the sanatorium, including amusement hall and gymnasium facilities, equipment for electrotherapy and hydrotherapy.

Dr. G. F. Cook, who took charge in 1883, was a graduate of the Medical College of Ohio. He died September 21, 1910.

He was succeeded by his son, Dr. R. Harvey Cook, who is now physician-in-chief and president of the corporation. Dr. R. Harvey Cook is also a graduate of the Ohio Medical College, and after graduating became associated with his father in the Retreat. He is a man of recognized prominence in his profession, being a member of the American Medical Association, the Medico-Psychological Association, the Cincinnati Academy of Medicine, and the Butler County and Ohio State Medical societies.

Dr. R. Harvey Cook has two sons, likewise physicians and surgeons, and representing the third consecutive generation of the family. Both sons are graduates of Ohio Medical College. George Harvey Cook, the older, spent one year as an interne in a hospital at Los Angeles, California, and is now engaged in the practice of surgery at San Diego, California. The other son, Malcolm O. Cook, served one year as an interne in the General Hospital at Cincinnati.

Evert E. Williams has been a member of the Butler County bar for more than a quarter of a century, and is the leading representative of his profession in the University City of Oxford.

He was born in Preble County, Ohio, September 26, 1867, son of John H. and Caroline (Jordon) Williams. His mother is now deceased. Mr. Williams attended public schools in his native county, finished his literary education in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and in 1896 was graduated from the law department of Cincinnati University. All his higher education was paid for out of his own earnings, chiefly school teaching. He established his

home at Hamilton in 1895, but in 1896 moved to Oxford, where he has had an extensive general practice ever since. For twelve years he served as a member of the school board. He is a member of Oxford Lodge of Masons, and Hamilton Royal Arch Chapter.

On October 12, 1898, Mr. Williams married Miss Anna M. Schlingman, of Preble County, daughter of Adolph and Alvena (Schreel) Schlingman, who settled in Preble County on coming from Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Williams have one son, Charles A., born July 11, 1900. He is a graduate of the Oxford High School, finished the course in Miami University with the class of 1922, and for one year was employed by the Pure Oil Company, but is now connected with the Philadelphia Electric Company at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Elbert B. Alston for the past fifteen years has been one of the most prominent general insurance and real estate men in the City of Hamilton. As a younger man he was engaged in the building business, and his experience has brought him unusual qualifications for handling all responsibilities connected with the management of real property.

Mr. Alston was born in Butler County, December 13, 1864, son of Montgomery P. and Elizabeth (Herr) Alston. His paternal grandfather was Wallace Austin, and his maternal grandfather, Henry Herr, both of whom came to Southern Ohio from Pennsylvania. Elbert B. Alston attended public schools of Butler County, and from school took up work in the building trades, and was in building construction work at Hamilton for twenty years or more.

Mr. Alston was one of the incorporators of the McGinley-Alston Company, real estate and insurance, a company that took over the business of the Myers and McGinley Company, which had been organized in 1905. Since 1910 Mr. Alston has given all his time to the real estate and insurance business. He controls the McGinley-Alston Company, which specializes in insurance, representing such standard organizations as the Aetna Fire Insurance Company, the Springfield Fire & Marine Insurance Company, the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, the Queen Fire Insurance Company, the American Central Fire Insurance Company, the Atlas Fire Insurance Company, the Pennsylvania Fire Insurance Company, the Philadelphia Fire & Marine Insurance Company, the Royalty Indemnity Company, and the United States Fidelity & Guarantee Company.

In the general real estate business Mr. Alston has developed and sold an eighty-acre tract in lots on the Mason Road, 130-acre tract sold in acre lots on the Darr Town Pike, and does an extensive business in buying and selling and in building houses for sale, utilizing to a large extent his individual capital. He is a director in the Arcade Building Company.

Mr. Alston is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Methodist Church. He married in 1891 Miss Katherine Law, of Hamilton, daughter of John and Katherine (Graham) Law. She was educated in the Hamilton High School and in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, and for several years before her marriage was a popular school teacher. Mr. and Mrs. Alston have three children. Miss Fostina, born in 1896, was educated in the Hamilton High School, Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, and Butler College at Indianapolis, and is also a graduate of the University of Wisconsin. She is a teacher in the Steel High School at Dayton, Ohio. The son, Mark P. Alston, born in 1898, was educated in high school, in Dayton University, and is now associated with his father in the real estate and insurance business. Katherine, the youngest child, born in 1903, was married in the spring of 1923 to Mr. Wheatly Link, of Athens, Ohio.

Hon. David H. DeArmond, representative of Butler County in the State Legislature, has been prominently identified with the business life of Hamilton for over twenty years, and he also represents a pioneer family of Southern Ohio.

His grandfather, King DeArmond, came from Western Pennsylvania and settled in Butler County in 1823. He hewed a home out of the wilderness and founded a family whose industrious characteristics have continued down to the present day. King DeArmond went to California after the discovery of gold there, but soon started on his return, and died of the cholera while on board ship, being buried at sea. His wife was Nancy Loyd, and they had four children. One of these was Joseph DeArmond, who grew up on the old homestead in Butler County, and for a time pursued the study of medicine, but gave up a professional career to become a farmer. He was one of the sterling representatives of the agricultural and civic community of Morgan Township. He died there in 1895. His wife died in 1917. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Their children were: John H., David H., Evelyn, who married Charles Falkenstein, William, James A., Emmasetta, who became the wife of Alex DeArmond, Alfred, who died in 1893, and Clyde, who died February 17, 1917.

David H. DeArmond was born on his father's farm in Morgan Township of Butler County, and his early environment was a rural one. He attended the grade and high schools, and for six years taught school in country districts. Following that he became western traveling representative of the Jersey Packing Company of Hamilton. While in that service he became interested in real estate, and, returning to Hamilton, he formed a partnership in 1902 with Jo Williams. They were in business together for sixteen years, with offices in the Rentschler Building, and they handled some of the largest contracts in city and farm property. In 1918 Mr. DeArmond became associated with C. B. Thompson, under the firm name of DeArmond & Thompson. This firm also has its offices in the Rentschler Building, and has all the facilities for complete service in everything pertaining to real estate.

Mr. DeArmond in 1909 organized the Central Motor Company of Hamilton, and when the business was incorporated he became its president. This has been one of the leading automobile sales agencies in Butler County.

In politics Mr. DeArmond is a democrat. He was elected a member of the city council one term, served two terms as director of public safety, and he went to the Lower House of the Legislature for the term 1923-1924. He has been one of the useful men in the Lower House, and has been especially valuable to his constituency in Butler County. Mr. DeArmond is affiliated with Lodge No. 30, Knights of Pythias, and is a life member of Hamilton Lodge No. 93, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married Miss Maude Heilman, of Preble County.

Floyd C. Fuller, secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Portsmouth Sand & Gravel Company, Inc., is one of the prominent business men of Southern Ohio, and has had a very successful experience in contracting and other lines of business.

He was born at Portsmouth, Scioto County, April 5, 1883, son of Andrew J. and Mary (Smith) Fuller. His mother was a daughter of Johrset and Hannah (Loyd) Smith, who came from Wales. Hannah Loyd came to this country about 1847 with her father, who died of the cholera. The Fullers are of English ancestry. Samuel Fuller, grandfather of Floyd C.,

was born near Marietta, Ohio, was a cabinet maker by trade, and like nearly all the early followers of that trade he made coffins and in time engaged in the undertaking business altogether. He married Eliza Judd.

Andrew J. Fuller was born at Marietta, April 18, 1849, was educated in the public schools and in Marietta College, and soon after leaving school, in 1869, became a clerk in the Marietta postoffice. After three years there, and a year as clerk in a rolling mill store, he went to Indiana and was in railroad work under the direction of Gen. Rufus Dawes until 1874. Returning to Ohio he located at Portsmouth, and for some years was bookkeeper and salesman for the Waite Furniture Factory. In the fall of 1884 he and his brother formed a partnership in the furniture and undertaking business, and were the leading firm in that line. Andrew J. Fuller was a staunch republican and was active in a number of campaigns and conventions. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and held nearly all the chairs in the Masonic bodies. His wife died January 17, 1886.

Floyd C. Fuller was liberally educated, attending the grade and high schools of Portsmouth, and then Marietta College, where he was graduated Bachelor of Arts with the class of 1906. His experience in the contracting business began as an employe of E. G. Nave & Brothers, railroad contractors. He was made secretary-treasurer and eventually general manager of the firm, having supervision of all their extended operations. For ten years his duties took him to many parts of the Middle West, where the firm had contracts. Mr. Fuller in 1916, on returning to Portsmouth, became associated with C. F. Monroe, B. I. King and others in founding the Portsmouth Sand & Gravel Company, Inc. This company has a large amount of capital invested in the equipment of dredges and other machinery for the production and handling of sand and gravel from river beds and quarries, and supply railroads, building contractors and others with immense quantities of these materials. They also handle general building materials. Mr. Fuller is secretary-treasurer and general manager of the company. As a resident of Portsmouth he has identified himself in a public spirited manner with many phases of its civic advancement.

He married at Marietta in June, 1906, Miss Helen Rathbun, daughter of Julian and Katherine (Forbes) Rathbun, who came from New York State. Her mother is living. Her father, who died in 1921, was for a number of years identified with oil development in West Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller have three children: Gilbert, born in 1907; Richard, born in 1908; and Robert, born in 1910, all attending the public schools. Mr. Fuller is a member of the Masonic Lodge, is a director in the Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Rotary Club and is a past president of the Portsmouth Golf Club, which more recently has become the Portsmouth Country Club, of which he is secretary.

Charles J. Parrish. A financial institution at Hamilton with a notable record of service to the community extending over a period of half a century is the Home Building & Loan Association. It has had just two secretaries, the late O. V. Parrish, founder and organizer, and his son, Charles J. Parrish.

The late O. V. Parrish organized the association in February, 1873, and was its secretary and active head forty-eight years, until his death on January 10, 1921. O. V. Parrish married Augusta Curtis, who died January 7, 1921, just three days before her husband.

Charles J. Parrish, now secretary of the association, was born August 1, 1869. He was reared and educated in Hamilton, graduated from high school in 1888, and in 1892 received his Bachelor's degree from Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. In university he was a Beta Theta Pi, which was his father's fraternity as is also that of his son Nulton. After graduating he returned home and entered the offices of the Home Building & Loan Association, and his experience with that business covers a period of thirty years. In 1903 he was elected secretary. He is treasurer of the Ohio Association of Building & Loan Associations. Other of his business interests are the Hamilton Gravel Company, of which he is president, the Ohio Land & Improvement Company, of which he is president, the Second National Bank of Hamilton, of which he is a director, and he has been president of the Butler County Auto Association since its organization.

Mr. Parrish is a director of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, is a director of the local Young Men's Christian Association, is a member of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Hamilton Club, the Butler County Country Club, the Walloon Country Club of Michigan, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. During the World war he served on local committees and assumed many unusual responsibilities and duties. His father was a close friend of the late President Harding.

In 1896 Mr. Parrish married Miss Rebecca Nulton, of Hillsboro, Ohio, daughter of Lon and Katherine (Foster) Nulton. Mrs. Parrish has long been prominent in woman's clubs and social circles in Southern Ohio. She graduated from Oxford College, at Oxford, Ohio, in 1895, and she served two years, until ill health forced her to resign, as vice president of the Woman's Club of Ohio. She is a member of the Woman's Club of Cincinnati, and the Woman's Club of Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. Parrish have four children. The daughters, Katherine and Augusta, twins, were students in Vassar College when the World war broke out. They finished their sophomore year there. Augusta subsequently took the secretarial course at Ossining on the Hudson. The daughter Katherine is the wife of Dwight Jones, of Jackson, Ohio. The third daughter, Rebecca Louise, was educated in Miss Kendrick's Select School at Cincinnati, and at Ossining on the Hudson. The only son, Nulton, is a graduate of Culver Military Academy in Indiana, and for two years was a student in Miami University and one year at Dartmouth College, New Hampshire. He is now assistant secretary of the Home Building & Loan Association, representing the third generation of the family with that institution.

Carl F. Goebel, the efficient and popular cashier of the Bank of Trenton, at Trenton, Butler County, was born in this attractive little city, April 9, 1884, and is a son of the late Henry and Sarah (Richter) Goebel, who were honored citizens of Butler County at the time of their deaths.

In the public schools of Trenton the early educational discipline of Carl F. Goebel included that of the high school, and thereafter he was for ten years successfully engaged in the general merchandise business in Trenton. He was for three years an attache of the treasury department of the American Rolling Mill Company at Middletown, this county, and thereafter he passed a year on his excellent farm in his native county. On the 1st of January, 1923, Mr. Goebel was elected cashier of the Bank of Trenton, and in this important executive position he is giving a characteristically careful and effective administration, with secure place in popular confidence and esteem in his native county.

Charles M. Gray.

The Bank of Trenton was organized and incorporated in the year 1907, with a capital stock of $25,000. It is the only banking institution at Trenton, and constitutes an important medium for advancing and safeguarding the general interests of the community which it serves. Its surplus fund and undivided profits now aggregate $9,000, and its deposits, $120,000. It is one of the solid and well ordered financial institutions of Butler County, and its executive corps has the following personnel: R. J. Kennell, president; A. K. Augspurger, vice president; Carl F. Goebel, cashier; and Miss Rose M. Westrick, assistant cashier. In addition to the president, vice president and cashier the directorate of the bank includes also John F. Intze, T. H. Bell, F. H. Berk, O. I. Ehresman.

Mr. Goebel is loyal and progressive in his civic attitude and is an active member of the Trenton Chamber of Commerce, the while he manifests helpful interests in local affairs of public order, and gives his political allegiance to the democratic party, both he and his wife being zealous communicants of the Lutheran Church. Mrs. Goebel likewise was born and reared in Butler County, and her educational advantages included those of the Trenton High School. Her maiden name was Clara Theiss, and she is a daughter of Micher and Louise Theiss. Mr. and Mrs. Goebel have three children, whose names and respective ages, in 1923, are here indicated: Marion, thirteen years; Myra, ten years; and Mark, four years.

Henry Schoenfeld, M. D., is not only one of the veteran and representative physicians and surgeons of Butler County, where he has been engaged in the practice of his profession for virtually forty years, but he has also been one of the most progressive and influential citizens of Trenton during the period of his residence in the county. He was primarily instrumental in securing a city charter for Trenton, was the organizer of the first city council, and as a member of this municipal body he gave loyal and effective service many years. He was the prime mover also in effecting the organization of the special school district for his home community, and was for several years clerk of the board of education of this district. His influence was potent also in the organizing of the Bank of Trenton, and he served a long period as its secretary and treasurer, his executive policies having had much influence in building up the substantial business of this institution. The doctor served as president of the Trenton Board of Health until such local organizations were abolished by legislative enactment and the work assumed by the county boards of health.

Enthusiasm and service have marked the course of Doctor Schoenfeld both as a citizen and as an able physician and surgeon of loyal professional stewardship. He is widely known and uniformly esteemed in Butler County, where his circle of friends is coincident with that of his acquaintances.

Doctor Schoenfeld was born at Miamisburg, Montgomery County, Ohio, April 24, 1857, and is a son of Henry and Emeline (Schell) Schoenfeld. In the public schools of his native town Doctor Schoenfeld continued his studies until he had profited by the high school curriculum, and in preparation for his chosen profession he completed a thorough course in the Ohio Medical College, in the City of Cincinnati, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1882 and from which he received his degree of Doctor of Medicine. His initial work in his profession was done in his little native city of Miamisburg, and in 1884 he established his permanent home at Trenton, Butler County, where he has continued his earnest and self-denying professional ministration during the long intervening years, and where he has become guide, counselor and friend in many a home in this part of the county.

In the Masonic fraternity he is affiliated with the Blue Lodge and the Royal Arch Chapter at Miamisburg, the Council of Royal and Select Masters and the Commandery of Knights Templar in the City of Hamilton, and the Scottish Rite Consistory at Dayton, in which he has received the thirty-second degree, besides being a Noble of the Temple of the Mystic Shrine in the same Ohio city. He is affiliated also with the Knights of Pythias, is a democrat in politics, and is a communicant of the First Reformed Church at Miamisburg.

At Miamisburg, in August, 1883, Doctor Schoenfeld wedded Miss Kate C. Britton, daughter of Isaac and Mary Britton. The companionship of Doctor and Mrs. Schoenfeld covered a period of more than thirty years, and the ties were severed by the death of Mrs. Schoenfeld in February, 1916. Esther Lou, the only child of this union, attended the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and was a specially talented young musician, the while her gracious personality gained to her the love of all who knew her, she having been but twenty years of age at the time of her death, in 1904.

The second marriage of Doctor Schoenfeld was with Miss Alma M. M. Kennell, of Trenton, a daughter of Frederick H. and Bertha (Kennell) Kennell. Mrs. Schoenfeld was graduated from the Trenton High School and the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, and has long been prominent in musical circles in Southern Ohio. She has regularly attended the concerts of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra for the past quarter of a century, and had been a successful teacher of music many years prior to her marriage. It is worthy of note in this latter connection that Mrs. Schoenfeld was the first music teacher of her husband's only daughter, of whom mention has already been made in this review. Mrs. Schoenfeld is a member of the Ladies' Book Club of Trenton and of the McDowell Music Club in the City of Hamilton. She is an active member of the Mennonite Church at Trenton, of which she is the organist, besides being a teacher in its Sunday School. She has much of leadership also in the social life of the community.

If Doctor Schoenfeld may be said to have a hobby it is assuredly to be ascribed to his fondness for fishing, and as a piscatorial devotee he makes annual summer trips to Canada in search of the wary black bass, and customarily makes annual autumn trips to the Gulf of Mexico. While fishing in the Gulf of Mexico in the autumn of 1921 the doctor landed one tarpon that weighed 150 pounds, and a second one that tipped the scales at 105 pounds, the latter trophy six feet and six inches in length, having been handsomely mounted and being now displayed in his office at Trenton.

Charles Milton Gray has been one of the most prominent business men in the City of Wooster, where he has been a miller, merchant and banker. He was born in that city, and his family has been active in the business and civic affairs of the community for over sixty years.

Mr. Gray was born January 6, 1859, son of James Lloyd and Eunice (Magaw) Gray. His father, a native of Milton, Pennsylvania, and of English and Scotch lineage, was a child when his mother died, and was reared by two maiden ladies named Blaine, near Milton, and later lived with his father and stepmother in Pittsburgh. He was married in Pennsylvania, his wife being a native of Beaver County and of Scotch-Irish parentage. Soon after their marriage, in January, 1858, they moved to Wooster, where James L. Gray followed the business of cigar manufacturer and later took up milling. He became a Union soldier in

the Civil war with the One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Ohio Infantry, and after the war was actively identified with the Grand Army. After his return from the army he resumed his connection with the milling business, and subsequently was in the coal and builders' supply trade, in the firm of Gray & Son, his partner being Charles M. Gray. He continued active in this line until his death at the age of fifty-one. He was a republican, and he and his wife were members of the English Lutheran Church. She died at the age of seventy-two. Their five children were: Charles M.; Cora, deceased wife of George Plumer; Emma, deceased wife of James L. Orr; Eunice, who married Julian Jeffries, of Charlotte, North Carolina; and William L., who manages the coal business started by his father. All the children were born and reared at Wooster.

Charles M. Gray acquired a high school education, and as a youth joined his father in the coal and builders' supplies business in the firm of Gray & Son. He has always been financially interested in that enterprise, his brother William now managing it. He also entered the milling and grain business, at first at Galion, Ohio, where he remained a year, and on returning to Wooster was in the firm of Plank & Gray. Buying out Mr. Plank, he associated A. G. Smith with him in the firm of Gray & Smith, and is still a stockholder and director in the A. G. Smith Milling Company. Mr. Gray was one of the organizers of the Citizens National Bank of Wooster, and became its third president, filling that office for half a dozen years. For over twenty years he had been a director and for the last fifteen years president of the Peoples Savings & Loan Company of Wooster.

Mr. Gray is a republican in politics, is a member of the English Lutheran Church and is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. He was president of the Wooster Rotary Club in 1922.

In 1893 Mr. Gray married Miss Nellie Gray, a native of Wooster and daughter of Sylvester Gray. She is active in the English Lutheran Church. Their only child, James Sylvester, died when seventeen years of age.

The Commercial Printing Company. Under this title is conducted a successful and representative business of which the founder and proprietor is David E. Barlett, and the well equipped printing plant at 20 North Wall Street in the City of Middletown occupies the old building of the Middletown News-Signal. It is interesting to record that it was in this building that Hon. James E. Cox, afterward governor of Ohio, and nominee of the democratic party for president of the United States in the campaign of 1920, gained his initial experience in the newspaper business.

The plant of the Commercial Printing Company has the most approved of modern facilities for the handling of all kinds of commercial printing and general job work, including a binding department. Special discrimination has been shown in the selection of the type fonts for the composing room, and the press department has one cylinder press, two job presses, paper cutters, automatic feeders, etc. Effective service has gained to this progressive establishment a substantial and representative supporting patronage, and its trade extends even outside the boundaries of Butler County.

David E. Barlett was born at Hamilton, Ohio, on the 22d of December, 1878, and is a son of Isaac and Amanda (Harrison) Barlett, both now deceased. Isaac Barlett devoted much of his active business life to paper manufacturing. His wife was a lineal descendant of Gen. William Henry Harrison, ninth President of the United States.

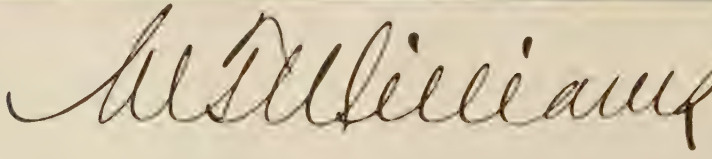
The early education of David E. Barlett was acquired through the medium of the public schools at Franklin, Warren County, Ohio. As a youth he completed a thorough apprenticeship to the printer's trade, and in the work of his trade he was employed at Dayton, Ohio, by the United Brethren Publishing Company and later in the printing department of the National Cash Register Company. He amplified his experience by similar service with the Everett Press in the City of Boston, Massachusetts, and with the Stewart-Scott Printing Company of St. Louis, Missouri.

In the year 1911 Mr. Barlett established his residence at Middletown, Ohio, and here he was in the employ of the Naegele-Auer Printing Company until 1916, when he engaged independently in the commercial printing business which he has since successfully continued under the title of the Commercial Printing Company, he being sole owner of the business. He is a member of the Union of printing pressmen, is a republican in politics, is an active member of the Middletown Civic Association, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

November 25, 1910, recorded the marriage of Mr. Barlett and Miss Flora Dungan, daughter of Isaac Dungan, one of the representative farmers of Hamilton County, where Mrs. Barlett was born and reared.

The Quality Press, of which Albert G. Bill is the founder and proprietor, stands as one of the well appointed and prosperous job printing establishments in the City of Middletown, Butler County, and in the upbuilding of its substantial business the technical and executive ability of the proprietor have counted scarcely less than his personal popularity in this vital little city. Mr. Bill's advancement and success are the more pleasing to note by virtue of the fact that they represent entirely the results of his own well directed efforts.

Albert G. Bill was born in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, August 4, 1886, and is a son of John and Anna Bill. John Bill was for many years buyer for the A. Jansen Grocery Company of Cincinnati, in which city his death occurred January 19, 1913, his widow being now (1924) a resident of Cheviot, Hamilton County, Ohio. After profiting by the advantages of the public schools of his native city Albert G. Bill there advanced his youthful education by attending St. Xavier College. He initiated his business experience by serving as a cash boy in the Cincinnati department store of the H. & S. Pogue Company, at the princely stipend of $1.50 a week, and after having been thus employed five months he served one year as errand boy for a local drug store. In the establishment of the Hennegan Printing Company, of Cincinnati, he then began learning the mysteries of the "art preservative of all arts," and from the dignified position of printer's devil he worked his way forward until he had mastered all details pertaining to the printing business—a knowledge on which has been founded his pronounced success in his independent activities in this line of enterprise. After having been employed in this printing establishment nearly two years Mr. Bill was for one year employed in the carton department of the Crane Box Factory in his native city. He next gave a year of service as assistant pressman in the establishment of the American Printing Company, and on the 26th of December, 1905, he assumed the position of job pressman with the Journal Printing Company of Middletown. He retained this position six years, and was then promoted to the office of superintendent of the entire printing plant of the company. In this capacity he continued his effective service until the plant was destroyed by fire in February, 1914. On the 20th of



the same month he opened the establishment known as the Quality Press, and for the first three months he maintained headquarters in the old McGee Building. He then moved to his present eligible location, in the Rhonemus Building, where, at 9 South Wall Street, he has a job printing establishment that is modern in all equipment and facilities, about 1,500 square feet of floor space being utilized. The equipment includes three Gordon presses, with Miller feeders; an electric embossing machine; a paper-punching machine; a stitching machine; a paper cutter, and a full and select assortment of the most approved type fonts for high grade commercial and general job printing.

Mr. Bill has worked for success, and has "won out." His experience has been such as to beget in him a full respect for and appreciation of the dignity and value of honest toil and endeavor, and his achievement has proved the worth of sterling character, earnest application and progressive policies. He is an active member of the Middletown Civic Association and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Miss Nora Thompson, who is the efficient and popular assistant manager of the Quality Press, has held this position from the time when the business was founded, in 1914, and her work has been potent in the upbuilding of the prosperous enterprise.

Miss Thompson was born and reared in Middletown, where she continued her studies in the public schools until she had profited by the curriculum of the high school, and she has proved a young business woman of exceptional discrimination and executive ability. Miss Thompson is a daughter of James B. and Nettie Thompson, of Middletown.

The Naegele-Auer Printing Company is one of the important business corporations in the City of Middletown, Butler County. The business of this concern was founded by George Mitchell, who conducted the same in a virtually individual way until 1908, when was effected the organization of the George Mitchell Printing & Manufacturing Company. Of the company John W. Auer became the secretary and treasurer. In 1911 Henry W. Naegele purchased the interest of George Mitchell, and then followed the organization and incorporation of the Naegele-Auer Printing Company, which bases its operations on a capital stock of $30,000. Henry W. Naegele is president of the company; H. O. Miller holds the office of vice president, though he is not actively identified with the direct management of the business, his attention being given primarily to his executive duties as purchasing agent for the American Rolling Mill Company; and John W. Auer continues as secretary and treasurer of the reorganized corporation.

Henry W. Naegele, who is general manager as well as president of this progressive corporation, was reared and educated in the City of Cincinnati, where he learned the printer's trade, in all phases of which he is an adept and authority. He came to Middletown in 1905, and had been employed in the Mitchell printing establishment prior to acquiring the interest of the founder of the business. He is known as one of the vital and enterprising business men of Middletown, and is keenly interested in all that tends to advance the civic and material welfare of his home city.

John W. Auer, whose appreciation of and loyalty to Middletown is that of a native son, was born and reared in this city, where his paternal grandfather, John Auer, was a pioneer in the manufacturing of tobacco, he having been one of the organizers of the Sorg, Auer Tobacco Company, which became one of the largest and financially strongest concerns of the kind in the State of Ohio. The death of John Auer occurred in 1906, and his widow, now eighty-six years of age (1924), still maintains her home in Middletown.

After proper preliminary educational discipline John W. Auer entered St. Xavier College in the City of Cincinnati, and after his graduation from this institution, as a member of the class of 1908, he forthwith became secretary and treasurer of the George Mitchell Printing & Manufacturing Company, a dual office which he has retained under the reorganization of the Company as the Naegele-Auer Printing Company, as previously noted in this context.

This company's fine, modern plant is housed in a substantial concrete building of two stories, the structure being 100 by 250 feet in dimensions, and the office of the company is conceded to be one of the best equipped establishments of this order in Southern Ohio, with the most approved facilities for the handling of all kinds of commercial printing, from billheads to comprehensive catalogues. Excellent service has gained the company a large and prosperous business, and the same shows a constantly expanding tendency, with a large trade awarded by local manufacturing concerns, as well as similar corporations in Cincinnati and other places in this section of the state.

When the plant of the Middletown Journal was destroyed by fire in 1914, this company provided the medium for continuing the publication of the paper, and this service was rendered until the year 1922, when the Journal publishers erected a new building and there installed their own printing plant.

In the modern plant of the Naegele-Auer Printing Company are to be found two Miehle presses, equipped with Dexter pile feeders; one Optimus press; two Miller automatic presses; three Chandler & Price job presses; one linotype machine, model 8; one Cleveland folding machine; one Dexter folding machine; and a full complement of type fonts for job work. In the establishment is retained a corps of twenty-five employes.

W. T. Williams, member of the contracting firm of Burns & Williams, city, county and state paving contractors, first came to Columbus as an employe of the state government.

Like his business partner, he was born in Scioto County, Ohio, September 30, 1874, son of J. Milt Williams, a native of Adams County, Ohio, and grandson of "Devil" Jim Williams, a native of Pennsylvania, who became one of the best known citizens of his day in Southern Ohio.

W. T. Williams was reared and educated in Scioto County, and at the age of eighteen learned telegraphy and for sixteen years was in the service of the Norfolk & Western Railway Company as an operator.

When the present Governor Donahey was elected state auditor, W. T. Williams was given a position as an inspector with the Bureau of Inspection. He held that office two years, and then in 1914 formed his present association with Mr. A. W. Burns. Since that time he has given his entire attention to the business of paving contracting. The firm employs some seventy-five men during the building season.

Mr. Williams married Miss Mary Burns, a sister of his business partner, A. W. Burns. They have one daughter, Mary Margaret, a student in high school.

Leonard S. Krauss, M. D., D. D. S., whose initial ambition in relation to his future career led him to prepare thoroughly for the dental profession, later changed the trend of his ambition and, with characteristic thoroughness, fitted himself for the medical profession, in the work of which he has been successfully engaged for more than forty years. Since the year 1900 he has maintained his home and pro-

fessional headquarters in the City of Middletown, where he has secured vantage ground as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Butler County.

Doctor Krauss was born at Rising Sun, Maryland, on the 5th of February, 1852, and is a son of the late John H. and Abigail (Harlan) Krauss, of Cecil County, that state, the father having been a contractor and builder by vocation. The earlier education of Doctor Krauss along academic or literary lines was obtained in the public schools, the Friends Normal Institute and Mount Pleasant Academy, in his native state, and in 1876 he completed a course in the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery. Thereafter he was for two years engaged in the practice of dentistry in Maryland, and in 1880 he was graduated from the medical department of Pennsylvania University, in the City of Philadelphia. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he came, in the same year, and engaged in practice at Germantown, Montgomery County, where he remained two years. West Carrollton, that county, thereafter continued as the central stage of his professional activities from 1883 until 1900, since which latter year he has been engaged in active and successful general practice in the City of Middletown, his ability and sterling attributes of character having gained to him a substantial and representative practice. The doctor is a popular member of the Butler County Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Society, besides being a member of the American Medical Association. He has kept in close touch with the advances made in medical and surgical science, and he fortified himself by an effective post-graduate course in the medical department of the University of Ohio, from which he received in 1895 the supplemental degree of Doctor of Medicine. He gave seven years of vigorous and effective service as city physician of Middletown, and has been at all times an apostle of sanitary civic conditions. He was for a number of years a member of the Middletown Board of Health, and while a resident of West Carrollton he served as a member of the city council and as secretary of the board of education. The doctor is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the American Insurance Union, in which last organization he is serving as medical examiner.

In 1882 Doctor Krauss married Miss Irene Kercher, of Germantown, Ohio, and she passed to the life eternal in the year 1910. Of the children of this union Harlan B., who was born in August, 1893, died in the year 1912. Henry K. is engaged in the undertaking business at Bedford, Ohio. Leonard E. is an architect by profession and resides in the City of Dayton. Louella A. is the wife of James E. Grub, who is identified with newspaper enterprise in the City of Toledo.

On the 14th of June, 1911, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Krauss and Miss LaVina E. Emery, of Middletown, where she received the advantages of Holy Trinity Academy. Mrs. Krauss is a daughter of James B. and Mary (Martin) Emery, and her father was serving as township trustee and probation officer at Middletown at the time of his death.

Eugene I. Harlan, D. D. S., has gained prestige as one of the able and representative members of his profession in his native State of Ohio, and is known also as one of the most liberal and progressive citizens of his home city of Middletown, Butler County, to the development and upbuilding of which he has contributed in generous measures, his real estate holdings here being extensive and valuable. As a dentist he maintains a three-chair office in Middletown, and this office is of the most modern type in the equipment and service of both its operative and laboratory departments.

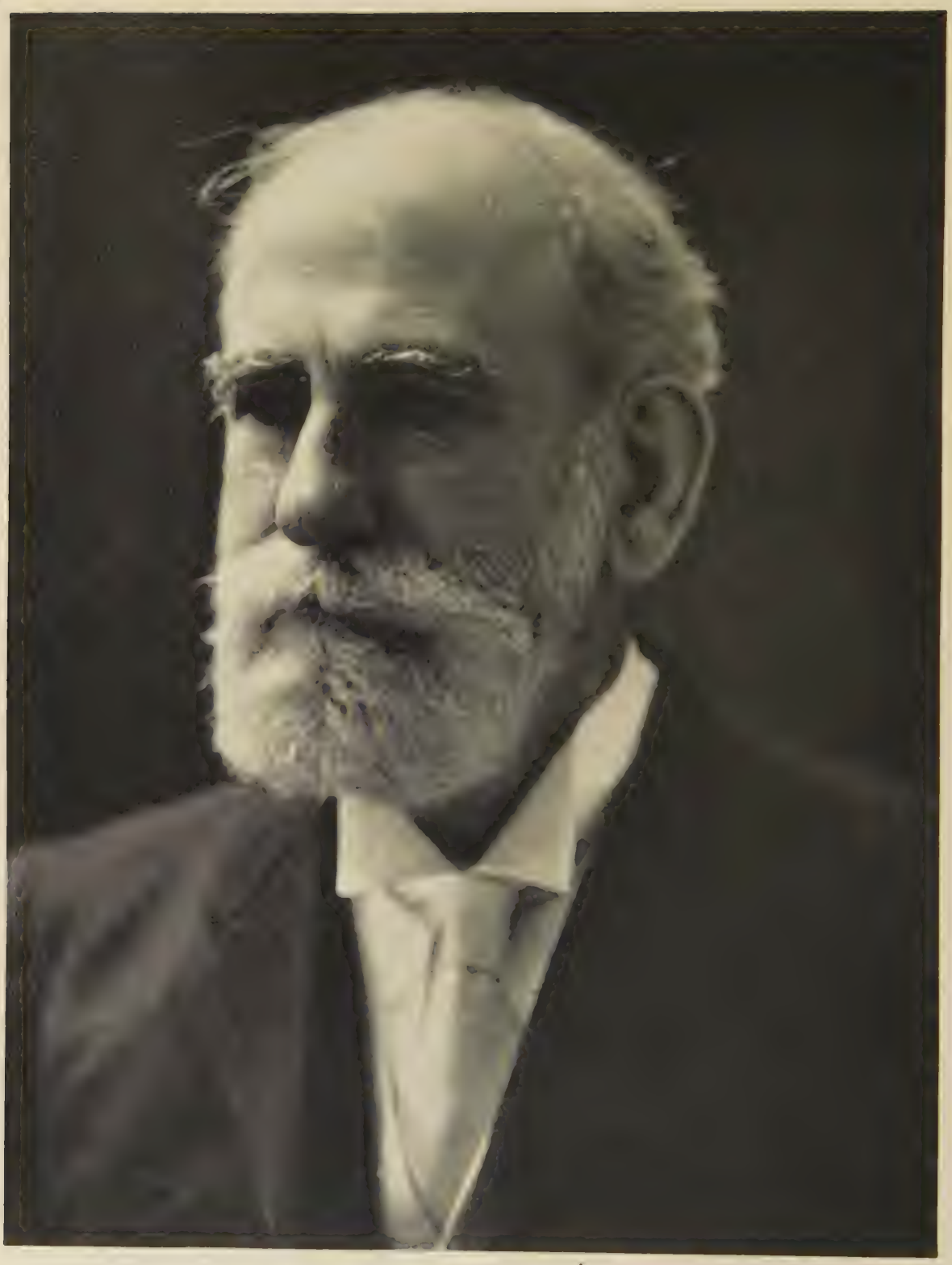
Dr. Eugene I. Harlan was born at Harveysburg, Warren County, Ohio, May 14, 1873, and is a son of Jonathan E. Harlan, M. D., who was one of the leading representatives of his profession in that county at the time of his death. The public schools of his native county afforded Dr. Eugene I. Harlan his early educational discipline, and thereafter he devoted four years to effective service as a teacher in the public schools, principally in rural districts. In 1898 he was graduated from the Ohio Dental College, Cincinnati, and after thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery he was for two years engaged in practice at Miamisburg. He then, in 1900, established himself in practice at Middletown, where he has successfully continued in the work of his profession save for an interval of five years, during which he was here engaged in the lumber business. He still has general supervision of his offices in this city, but his large and important outside interests engross much of his time and attention. Doctor Harlan was interested in developing the first addition to the City of Middletown, this being known as the Homestead addition and being now fully built up. He individually platted and placed on the market the Rolling Mill Park subdivision, and for the past ten years he has been one of the leading exponents of real estate enterprise in Butler County. Incidental to his operations along this line he has purchased four large and valuable farms, three of which he has since sold. He has built for sale more than forty houses. He is exploiting also the Farnsworth addition to the city, in which district his own beautiful home is situated.

Doctor Harlan has completed the circle of each the York and Scottish Rites of the Masonic fraternity, in the latter of which he has received the thirty-second degree, besides which he has effectively crossed the sands of the desert and gained enrollment as a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. His wife holds membership in the United Brethren Church. Mrs. Harlan is an influential member of the Woman's Club and the War Mothers' Association of Middletown, and is a popular figure in the representative social activities of her home city.

In the year 1895 was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Harlan and Miss Mary A. Temple, daughter of the late Perry Temple, who was a prominent farmer and tobacco buyer in this section of Ohio. Doctor and Mrs. Harlan have two sons: Walter is now a successful member of the bar of Lorain County, where he is engaged in practice in the City of Lorain. He married Miss Thelma Bullard, of Middletown. Wilbur W., the younger son, married Miss Emma Herring, of Hamilton, and they reside at Middletown, where he is engaged in the wholesale and retail oil business. Doctor Harlan owns and occupies one of the many beautiful homes of this city.

Howard A. Wilson is proprietor of the oldest undertaking establishment in Butler County. The home of this business is at Middletown, and three generations of the Wilson family have been identified with it. It was started by the grandfather of the present proprietor, whose name was Thomas Wilson and who in early days learned the trade of cabinet maker, a trade that almost necessarily involved the making of coffins and other details of the undertaking profession. He was born eight miles west of Middletown, and during practically all his life was engaged in his business at Middletown.

His successor in the second generation was Arthur T. Wilson, who was a member of the first class organized and taught the profession of embalming in the State of Ohio. He continued the undertaking business until his death on January 13, 1910, when



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he was succeeded by his son, Howard A. Arthur T. Wilson married Jennie M. Hill, daughter of Alexander W. Hill, who was born in Scotland, and on coming to the United States, settled in Connecticut, where his daughter Jennie was born, and from there came to Butler County, Ohio, where he became a pioneer in the paper manufacturing business. Mrs. Jennie (Hill) Wilson died January 23, 1923.

Howard A. Wilson was born at Middletown, December 22, 1875, attended public schools, and in 1897 graduated from the Clark School of Embalming at Cincinnati. The following year he took post-graduate work in the same school, and he had the distinction of taking the examination with the first class examined under the Ohio State Laws acquiring licensing of embalmers. The number of his certificate is sixty. He took an active part in the business while his father was still living, and for the past fifteen years has continued it, adding to its facilities. The headquarters of the business are at 212 Main Street. He has a funeral parlor, show room, chapel, and all the motor equipment of a modern undertaker.

The place in which the business is conducted was the home in which his father and mother were married. The assistant of Mr. Wilson in the business is Frank Rutz, a graduate of the Barnes School of Embalming at Chicago.

Mr. Wilson is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner, and belongs to the Elks and to the Presbyterian Church. He and his wife are also members of the Civic Association of Middletown.

He married, October 24, 1900, Miss Mary E. Shields, of Wapakoneta, Ohio, daughter of James H. and Sarah R. (Emerson) Shields. Mrs. Wilson is a member of the Century Club, the Current Events Club, the Federation of Women's Clubs, and takes a very active part in social affairs in Middletown. Six sons were born to their marriage: Alvin Shields, George Arthur, Howard A., Jr., Thomas Hill, William James and Paul Emerson. The son Alvin is in the sales department of the American Rolling Mills Company at Middletown; the son George is a senior in the University of Pennsylvania, and Howard A., Jr., is attending St. James Preparatory School in Maryland.

William C. Morrison, city engineer of Middletown, has had nearly forty years of experience to give him an unusual reputation in municipal and landscape engineering. His work in this field has been of a distinctive character. For a number of years his home and headquarters were at Cincinnati, but the range of his experience covers nearly all the states of the Union.

Mr. Morrison was born at Cincinnati, in 1866, son of Joseph and Jane (Wright) Morrison. His father was in the carriage hardware business at Cincinnati until his death. Mrs. Jane Wright Morrison at the time of her death was the oldest resident of Cincinnati. Her mother had come from Ireland in 1800, and in the same year came down the Ohio River on a raft and located at Cincinnati.

William C. Morrison was educated in the public schools of Cincinnati and under private instruction. His first experience in engineering was two years spent with the Cincinnati Water Works. He then became one of the staff of the firm of Earnshaw & Punshon, landscape engineers of Cincinnati. He spent twelve years with this firm as engineer in charge of works. He was sent to nearly every state to take care of contracts for the firm. He did all the field work on the Spring Grove Cemetery resurvey in Cincinnati, and did similar work in many other localities. After leaving Earnshaw & Punshon he was for two years with the city engineering department of Cincinnati as assistant city engineer in charge of the western section of the city. Following that he did engineering work in St. Louis, Oklahoma City, El Paso, and for one year at Yuma, Arizona, where he was an engineer on the Government staff during the construction of the Laguna Dam, five miles north of Yuma, on the Colorado River. Subsequent experience took him to Los Angeles and San Francisco, and on returning to Cincinnati he formed a partnership with Henry Melcher as general contractors. This was a very successful chapter in his business experience.

Mr. Morrison came to Middletown as engineer for the Middletown Realty Company, the largest realty company in Southern Ohio. He gave up this work, being induced to return to Cincinnati by City Manager Waite to take the position of assistant engineer of the city. He later resigned and in 1914 returned to Middletown to accept the position of city engineer, and for ten years has been responsible for the technical details of all the municipal improvements in the city.

Mr. Morrison married in 1920 Mrs. Dora (Potts) McChesey, of Bearsville, Ohio. She was educated in the public schools and a private school for girls at Parkersburg, West Virginia. Mrs. Morrison is active in social affairs and is a member of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Thomas E. Reed, M. D. Practically the entire professional life of Dr. Thomas E. Reed has been passed at Middletown, where for more than fifty years he has ministered to the sick, given instruction to young men in preparation for the practice of medicine, written and published works of a professional character, and enjoyed great popularity as a general and family practitioner. Deliberately adopting the Homeopathic system, from observation of its effect among the sick and conviction of its superiority as a scientific method of therapeutics, he has brought to its practice scholastic training, innate soundness and accuracy of judgment, and a cheerful disposition, and has long maintained a leading place among the progressive disciples of Hahnemann in the state of his birth.

Doctor Reed was born in October, 1844, on a farm in Dicks Creek Valley, four miles south of Middletown, in Lemon Township, Butler County, Ohio, a son of William and Margaret (Sigerson) Reed, and is of Scotch-Irish extraction. His grandparents were pioneers, and his ancestors on his father's side came from Ireland, and on his mother's side from Scotland. Both parents were born on Butler County farms, attended the same church, had good common school educations and always lived in the same county. They reared to maturity seven sons and three daughters, and the father lived to be eighty-six years of age, the mother passing away at the age of seventy-seven.

Thomas E. Reed, after district school, attended an academy at Monroe, Ohio, for two years, and this was followed by private tutelage under Professor Curran for one winter. He then spent one year at Oxford (Ohio) University, and these last two years were devoted to studies selected with a view of medicine for a profession. This made the course at Oxford University irregular, hence no degree was taken. A three-year course in medicine was then commenced with Dr. W. D. Linn, of Middletown, as preceptor, and Doctor Reed's first course of lectures was attended at the Cleveland (Ohio) Homeopathic Medical College and the second at the Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he graduated in the spring of 1872. Soon after graduation a temporary partnership was formed with Dr. S. C. Whiting, at Vincennes, Indiana, where two or three years were devoted to active practice and valuable

experience with an elder man before Doctor Reed located permanently at Middletown, his present home.

While a student at Philadelphia Doctor Reed was attracted by the following remark of Professor Hering in his private class: "On the coast, as a rule, children are born as the tide advances, and natural deaths occur as it recedes." This was all the professor said about it, but it was enough to set young Reed to thinking, and after locating in Ohio he reasoned thus, "If this be true on the coast, it is also true inland, for law is the same everywhere." From this time on, as his obstetrical practice grew, a system of investigation began and was followed closely during his whole career of over forty-five years of obstetrical work. The tide cycle, as it is called, is twelve hours long, and therefore the shortest cycle of time; and this, studied in connection with the daily, weekly and monthly cycles of time, makes one of the most valuable and interesting adjuncts a physician can possess in the practice of his profession. After about twenty years, when Doctor Reed had proven the truth and value of the law of cycles in births, deaths, disease, etc., he conceived the idea that perhaps the sex had its origin in the same law and began a series of investigations along that line, proving to his own satisfaction that this also was true. This proved quite a discovery, when it is considered that scientists have been striving ever since the days of Hippocrates to find what determines sex; and Burdock is said to have compiled a list of over 500 theories on the subject of sex determination, but all were simply theories and worthless, while Doctor Reed's theory uncovers a law, and there must be a law to succeed. While his investigations have been mainly with the human family, he finds it also true with some lower animals. Doctor Reed at first thought that twins, being often one of each six, would disprove what he had in mind, but this led to investigations along that line, and, discovering twins to be of two classes, it only further helped to prove and establish the law dominating sex.

In 1898 the doctor wrote a small book, entitled "Cyclic Law," to secure priority of his investigations and discoveries, and published it himself. Following this came a number of journal articles, including a series of articles in the New York Medical Times called "The Sex Cycle of the Germ Plasm." Reprints of these were put in pamphlet form and about 500 of them sent to the most prominent scientists and physicians all over the world, from whom came no adverse criticisms. Then, of more recent date, a book of over 300 pages was brought out especially for scientists and physicians entitled "Sex, Its Origin and Determination," and published by Rebman Company, New York. The press received this latter work with more than ordinary enthusiasm. The Western Medical Review said of it: "An alluring hypothesis from which sooner or later the solution of the formation of sex will surely spring into fact."

When a student at Philadelphia Doctor Reed was elected by the members of the Institute quaesitor to the chair of clinical medicine, and came under the influence of Professor Hering, who was himself a student of the great Samuel Hahnemann, the founder of the Homeopathic School of Medicine. These circumstances stimulated an intense interest in materia medica and clinical medicine in the young physician, which in after years he never lost and which resulted in the unique success he enjoys as a skillful physician. It has been his attainments in this field that has brought him to the success he enjoys and the respect and affection of the people of his community. For over forty years he has responded cheerfully and readily to the demands of his profession, ever willing to learn and always advancing in professional skill.

He has always been fond of quoting the cogent words of his master in medicine, Hahnemann, who said that, "He who pretends to treat the sick, and in doing so neglects to equip himself in all possible knowledge and skill is guilty of no less than a crime." He is well grounded in the principles dominating his profession. Doctor Reed is a member of the International Hahnemannian Association, and a senior member of the American Institute of Homeopathy, and has been a consistent and constant advocate of the Homeopathic school of medical practice, it being the only school that can boast of a law, and it is to this fact that he attributes the success he has attained in his chosen field. A number of years ago a Chicago pharmacy offered a prize for the best essay on the principles of Homeopathy, and among forty-seven contestants the doctor took first prize, of $150.

Of late years Doctor Reed has given up the more arduous phases of medical practice and now confines himself to office prescribing and the treatment of chronic diseases. Especially is he interested in the medical treatment of certain diseases, ordinarily supposed to be amendable only to the knife of the surgeon, such as gall-stone, gravel, appendicitis, mastoid diseases, glandular inflammations, etc. Here he enjoys unique distinction, and patients come to him from many miles distant. But while he had partially retired from active practice, during the recent 1918-19 influenza epidemic he gladly assumed his share of the great burden it cast upon the shoulder of the medical and nursing professions and responded to the many calls for help, doing as much work as many of the younger men of the profession, and with entire success. The doctor denounces in toto the methods of treating influenza and other acute diseases by the employment of ice bags and other cold applications and exposing the patients to wide open doors and windows, placing them out on porches, or in freezing draughts. All know, assumes the doctor, that by a law of physics cold contracts and heat expands, and when the lungs are congested and the patients exposed to cold the tiny bronchioles contract and the patients are choked in their own secretion. This was the method practiced during the recent epidemic, and all are familiar with the terrible losses in the hospitals, cantonments and private homes. The doctor questions if there is any physician who can explain upon what scientific basis this is practiced. The doctor further asserts that fresh air, at all times essential, should in these cases be warm air. In short, every acute disease, he firmly contends, demands heat, warm air, hot applications, hot bathing to reduce fever, etc., to assist scientific medication in curing them.

Doctor Reed was brought up a Presbyterian, and united with a branch of that denomination when quite young, hardly realizing its creed but feeling that his parents must be right. When about forty years of age serious convictions led him to an earnest study of the Bible. This in time changed his whole life, for, as he has said, "If we believe the Bible is of divine origin, we are very unwise if we do not practice its teachings." By his study of the Bible he soon became convinced that the nominal church is composed of man-made sects and shall "be rooted up," or destroyed, and that "they be blind leaders of the blind" (Matt. 15:13, 14), and God's children are called out from among them (Rev. 18:4), as well as out from the world. Jehovah's true disciples though IN, "are not OF the world" (John 17:16). They are told to "come out from among them, and be ye separate" (II Cor. 6:17). These and other similar texts led him out of the sects and from the things of the world, and this is why he takes no part in politics or organizations of any kind. God's true church, the doctor says, the Bible teaches, is a spiritual organization that originated on the day of

Pentecost. They are the "Ecclesia of the first born," whose names are written in the "Lamb's book of life." They are the "few" class in the "narrow" way, or, as the Psalmist says, "thy hidden ones," but from which no one is barred, for anyone can come and take of "the water of life freely"; but only God knows His own. The doctor believes that the important thing to insure one's salvation is to keep the Ten Commandments, which Solomon says is "the whole duty of man." This includes God's Holy Seventh Day Sabbath. He says that we should believe and obey what the Bible teaches, rather than "Science falsely so-called," as says Paul. The doctor, therefore, believes the cosmogony of the Bible rather than the whirling, flying globe theory of philosophers, for which he is convinced there is not a single proof.

Doctor Reed has been an earnest Bible student for many years, upon which he wrote a book entitled "Gleanings, New and Old, Garnered from the Word of God," over twenty years ago, and about 3,000 of these have gone out over the English-speaking world. Besides this he has written numerous articles for the religious press, and, as counseled by the Apostle Peter, he is "ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you, with meekness and reverence."

Until past middle life Doctor Reed affiliated with the republican party, but for more than twenty years has had no interest in political affairs whatever. He has never held nor accepted any office of any degree. When a young man he joined the Masonic and Royal Arcanum orders, but soon left them, for reasons stated before. In the spring of 1864, at the age of nineteen years, he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Sixty-seventh Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, under Col. Tom Moore. The regiment was sent to West Virginia, at the source of the Big Kanawha River, but after being in the service a little more than four months, in which it took part in no special engagements, was ordered home and mustered out.

One year after locating at Middletown Doctor Reed married Annie, eldest daughter of Judge L. D. Doty. Her mother being Lydia Vail made Mrs. Reed the great-granddaughter of Daniel Doty and Steven Vail, the two men who first settled and laid out this city, in about the year 1800. After she was through with the town school she attended a seminary near her home, and later Thane Miller's seminary on Mount Auburn. To this union there were born two children: Ada, who died at the age of three years; and Ralph Wallace, who is now a practicing nerve and mental specialist at Cincinnati. When Ralph was about three years old, or in November, 1882, his mother died, and in June, 1891, Doctor Reed was married a second time, being united with Miss Frances A. Brown, of a well-known family of Nova Scotia, Canada, who is still his companion. Her parents were born in Canada, of Scotch extraction.

Joseph R. Baker is one of the representative business men of the younger generation in the City of Middletown, Butler County, where as an undertaker and funeral director he conducts a thoroughly modern establishment at 1607 Central Avenue.

Mr. Baker was born in the City of Anderson, Indiana, on the 1st of May, 1895, and is a son of Samuel and Mary (Davis) Baker. In the public schools of his native state Mr. Baker continued his studies until he had duly profited by the advantages of the high school at Elwood, and thereafter he continued his studies in Valparaiso University, at Valparaiso, that state. In 1917 he was graduated from the Worsham College of Embalming in the City of Chicago, and thereafter he gained practical experience in the Chicago undertaking establishment of J. K. Platner, his next service of this order having been in the establishment of Charles Walley, at Elkhart, Indiana. When the nation entered the World war Mr. Baker subordinated all personal interests to respond to the call of patriotism. He enlisted in the United States Army and was assigned to the graves registration service, in which connection he passed twenty months in France, where he had much of experience on the battle fronts. He was called to various districts of France in the securing of names of soldiers killed in action, and after the amistice brought the war to a close he finally returned home, he having received his honorable discharge in the early part of the year 1919.

After his World war service, Mr. Baker was associated in turn with the undertaking business of Edgar M. Clark, of Elwood, Indiana, and that of W. M. McCoy, of Middletown, Ohio, in which latter city he founded his present independent business on the 8th of September, 1923, with an establishment that is of the most modern order in equipment, facilities and service, with chapel, morgue, guest bedrooms, slumber room, and garage for the accommodation of his motor ambulance, hearses and sedan automobiles.

Mr. Baker has completed the circle of both the York and Scottish Rites of the Masonic fraternity, in the latter of which he has received the thirty-second degree, and he is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, besides which he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the American Legion. He is a loyal and valued member of the Middletown Civic Association, and he and his wife hold membership in the Baptist Church.

November 28, 1921, recorded the marriage of Mr. Baker and Miss Helen Arpp, daughter of John and Edith Arpp, of Middletown, her father having been a leading plumbing contractor in this city at the time of his death. After a course in the Middletown High School, Mrs. Baker attended St. Joseph's Academy at Cincinnati, Ohio, and Notre Dame Academy at Reading, this state. She became affiliated with the Phi Beta Psi sorority, was made grand treasurer of the same, and she is now president of the local chapter of the sorority, besides which she is actively identified with the Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs.

Charles Trine Goldman has given over forty years of his life to the perpetuation of varied business interests in his native City of Middletown. He began his career as a merchant, and now for a number of years has conducted a real estate and insurance business of special importance through his work in the development and improvement of this Southern Ohio industrial center.

Mr. Goldman was born at Middletown, June 26, 1863, son of Simon and Susan (Trine) Goldman. His father was a dry goods merchant and a very prosperous man of affairs, long connected with the life of Middletown. His mother was born in Butler County, a member of one of the pioneer families of the region.

Mr. Goldman was educated in the schools of Middletown and at Miami Classical Academy, Oxford, Ohio. On leaving the Classical Academy he became associated with his father in the dry goods business, remaining with the firm for thirty years, until the store was sold to the Mathes-Sohngen Company of Hamilton. For the past seventeen years he has been in the real estate business, regulating his policies and activities by the confidence in Middletown and its destiny expressed by his slogan, "Watch Middletown Grow!"

During the great Miami Valley flood of the spring of 1913, Mr. Goldman assumed charge of the work of rescue and relief in Middletown. Finding that the regular city government was isolated and para-

lyzed by the suddenness and magnitude of the catastrophe, he undertook on his own responsibility communication with other municipalities, the governor of Ohio and the National Red Cross at Washington, D. C. It was at his request that the mayor of Cincinnati sent a special police detachment with boats to aid in the saving of those who had been driven to the upper floors of their homes in the inundated district, and it was upon his advice that Governor Cox diverted to other stricken cities the contingents of the National Guard originally assigned to duty in Middletown. Not only did Mr. Goldman thus assume the responsibility for maintaining order in Middletown without the use of the militia, but he advanced his personal credit for the purchase of foodstuffs and equipment for the public kitchens which he established during the first days of the flood.

In the sourse of rescue work in the flooded streets he slipped and fell, striking his back against the side of the police boat in which he was collecting refugees. He sustained a serious injury from which he has never entirely recovered, but he did not allow this to interfere in the slightest with his activity, and it was not until after the waters had subsided and Middletown, under the direction of the forces he had marshalled, was well along with the work of restoration and rehabilitation that he consented to consult a physician and the fact of his accident became known.

Besides a general real estate brokerage business, Mr. Goldman has extensive investments and properties of his own to look after. He has been a leader in the conceptive side of the real estate business as a subdivider and home builder. He opened up the Belmont Addition, which he later sold to the Middletown Realty Company. This company added to it the Hergert property and Hospital Hill, the combined subdivision, which is now the most exclusive residential section of Middletown, being called the Highlands.

In 1920, Mr. Goldman opened the Plainview Addition of thirty acres, which was sold by the Middletown Real Estate Board in one day. He was one of the prime movers of the Middletown Realty Company, and has been its treasurer and director since its organization. Some years ago this company began the development of Park Place Addition of seventy acres, and a house is now built on every lot.

Mr. Goldman also does a general fire and tornado insurance business, representing such old-line companies as the National Union and the Northwestern National. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias.

On January 1, 1891, Mr. Goldman married Miss Minnie Sheafor, of Middletown, daughter of Alfred and Elizabeth (Selden) Sheafor. Her father was a member of a family long established and still prominent in the Miami Valley. He was a lieutenant in the Union Army during the Civil war, and later was very well known in Grand Army circles. For many years he was interested in various farming and business enterprises near or in Middletown. Elizabeth Selden Sheafor was the daughter of Alanson Douglas Selden, a cousin of Lincoln's great opponent, Senator Stephen Arnold Douglas, and a man actively identified with the life of the Miami Valley from the very opening years of the last century. Mrs. Goldman was educated in the schools of Franklin and Middletown. She is a member of the Home Culture Club and the Daughters of the American Revolution and of various parish organizations of the Church of the Ascension.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trine Goldman have one son, Marcus Selden Goldman, who has devoted himself to literary scholarship, art criticism and practical journalism. He was born May 12, 1894, and was educated in the Middletown schools, Culver Military Academy, Culver, Indiana, from which he was graduated in the classical course in 1912, Miami University, the University of Illinois, and the University of Paris.

At Miami he was editor of the year book as a junior and one of the three editors of the Student as a senior. His general academic fraternity is Delta Upsilon, and he is also a member of the journalistic fraternity, Sigma Delta Chi, and of the senior society, Red Cowl. Mr. Goldman received his Bachelor of Arts at Miami in 1916, and entered the graduate school of the University of Illinois, in which he had been elected to a scholarship.

Mr. Goldman received his Master of Arts degree at Illinois in June, 1917, and in May he had been elected to a fellowship for the following year, which he declined because of enlistment in the United States Army Ambulance Service with the French Army.

During the remainder of 1917, Mr. Goldman trained at Camp Crane, Allentown, Pennsylvania, with S. S. U. 611, the University of Illinois section of the U. S. A. A. S., and went overseas with it in March, 1918. His service took him to several of the most important battles in which American forces were engaged. He saw action notably on the Baccarat sector, Lorraine, in the Marne-Aisne offensive from Fere-en-Tardenois north across the Vesle to the Aisne, throughout the entire battle of the forest of Argonne, in which he participated in the relief of the celebrated Lost Battalion of the 77th Division, and at Verdun.

At the time of the armistice he was transferred to Ambulance Service Headquarters in Paris and became assistant editor of The Radiator, the official newspaper of the organization. Later he was assigned to the Sorbonne detachment under the direction of the Army Educational Commission, and became student assistant to Prof. Henry Lemmonier, the celebrated historian, in the series of lectures he gave for American soldiers. Together with other student assistants Mr. Goldman received a present of books from the University of Paris in appreciation of services rendered during the special session for American military students. At about this same time Mr. Goldman represented the enlisted men of the United States Army Ambulance Service in the general convention of the American Expeditionary Forces at which the American Legion was organized.

At the conclusion of the army school term Mr. Goldman was returned to the states for demobilization at Mitchell Field, Long Island, in July, 1919. He held at that time the rank of sergeant first class.

Shortly after leaving the army Mr. Goldman was elected a Fellow in English Philology by the Society for American Fellowships in French Universities, and, re-crossing the Atlantic in November, enrolled for a second time in the Sorbonne, the old College of Liberal Arts of the University of Paris, which derives its name from that of its great mediæval patron, Robert de Sorbonne, the chaplain of the sainted King Louis IX. For two years the young American continued his studies at this venerable institution, his fellowship being renewed by the American Field Service when it absorbed the Society for American Fellowships in French Universities in 1920, and he has a thesis for the doctorate registered with the secretary of the faculty, though it is not his intention to present it until he has first received the degree from some American institution.

Upon the expiration of his fellowship Mr. Goldman became dramatic and fine arts critic of the European edition of the New York Herald, a position which he held until August, 1923, when he returned to America to become Greek and Latin master at the Hoosac School, Hoosick, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trine Goldman visited their son in 1920 while he was attending the Sorbonne, spending three months with him, inspecting the devastated area in France and making short stays in England and Switzerland.

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CLARENCE E. JURGENSEN. Since graduating in 1907, Mr. Jurgensen has followed his profission as an optometrist in several of the larger cities of Ohio, and is now engaged in a successful independent practice at Middletown.

He was born at Cold Springs, Kentucky, September 25, 1893, son of H. John and Mary Jurgensen, of Mount Washington, Ohio. His mother is now deceased. Mr. Jurgensen was educated in the Horace Mann School at Cincinnati, graduated in 1907 from the Salem School in Mount Washington, Ohio, and took his professional work in the Philadelphia Optical College at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. After that he spent five years with the Standard Optical Company at Cincinnati, and was with the White-Haines Optical Company at Columbus, and later at their Indianapolis office. On returning to Cincinnati he was with the optical establishment of Arthur Ehrmantraut until July, 1922, when he established himself in Middletown, at 316 South Main Street. He has his office equipped with every modern appliance known to his profession, the equipment alone costing several thousand dollars. After the creation of the Ohio State Board of Optometry he took the first examination offered by the board, and was given a license to practice on July 21, 1920.

Mr. Jurgensen is a member of the Ohio State and American Associations of Optometry. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge. On September 11, 1915, at Mount Washington, Ohio, he married Miss Marguerite Beck, daughter of Alfred L. and Lelia (West) Beck. She was educated in the public schools of Mount Washington, is a graduate of the Woodward High School of Cincinnati, and is now an active member of the Parent-Teachers Association of Middletown. They have two children, Mary Elizabeth, born in 1917, and June Lelia, born in 1921.

SAMUEL H. KITCHEN. The real estate firm of Kitchen & Sheets at Middletown, though one of the youngest, is one of the most rapidly growing general brokerage real estate organizations in Butler County. The partnership was formed April 1, 1923. This firm has already achieved a remarkable success in marketing subdivisions. It put on and sold out the Runnymeade addition of 120 acres, disposing of 100 lots in this addition in eighteen days. The Grandview addition of twenty acres was sold out by the firm in less than two weeks. In the Millville addition the firm had the experience of selling fifteen lots before the proposition was ready for the market. During the first year the firm sold about 250 homes. They have limited their activities entirely to a brokerage business in real estate, acting as brokers for individuals and also for other real estate firms.

Samuel H. Kitchen, senior member of the partnership, was born February 3, 1883, in Berkeley County, West Virginia, son of the late Henry C. Kitchen. He acquired his early education in the public schools of his native county, and subsequently attended high school at Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Kitchen, as well as his partner, is a veteran employe of the telephone industry. He was with the Bell Telephone Company as messenger, then installer, then switch board repairman, then wire chief, and subsequently as toll line wire chief for the State of Ohio, District No. 3. He became plant chief of the Springfield, Ohio, plant, and then manager of the Middletown branch. In 1916 he resigned his post in the telephone service to engage in the real estate business as a sales manager for Nein Brothers at Middletown. He left this old and well-known firm to go into business for himself on April 1, 1923.

He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and the Elks, and in Masonry is a past master of his lodge, a member of the Royal Arch Chapter, the Council, the Knight Templar Commandery, the Mystic Shrine. He is president of the Middletown Realty Board, and a member of the Ohio State and National Real Estate Association. He is secretary of the Board of Directors and a member of the Building Committee of the Middletown Young Men's Christian Association, and is a member of the Men's Bible Class in the United Brethren Church. He also belongs to the Community Golf Club and the Middletown Civic Association.

Mr. Kitchen married Miss Grace I. Metherd, of Dayton, June 20, 1906. Her father, Ben F. Metherd, is a retired capitalist. Mrs. Kitchen was educated in the Dayton High School, and is a member of the Woman's Bible Class of the United Brethren Church and of the Parent-Teachers Association of the Lincoln and Sherman public schools. They have three children: Grace Elizabeth, born in 1908, a student in the Middletown High School; Virginia Louise, born in 1910, attending the junior high school; and Ben M., born in 1914, a pupil in the Lincoln Public School.

Hobart L. Sheets, junior member of the real estate firm of Kitchen & Sheets, was born at Middletown, January 30, 1896. He was educated in high school, and then went to work in the offices of the Bell Telephone Company as an accountant. He resigned in 1916 to become a real estate salesman with Nein Brothers, and on April 1, 1923, became associated with Mr. Kitchen, as above noted.

He is an ex-service man, having served as a member of Company E of the Three Hundred Thirtieth Infantry during the World war. He is affiliated with the American Legion, the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Masons, and is a member of the Community Golf Club and Civic Association.

On December 10, 1919, at Middletown, Mr. Sheets married Miss May Binkley, who was also educated in the Middletown High School. They have one son, James Harrison, born March 17, 1923.

Kitchen & Sheets acquired the Jewell and Mary Fisher Smith farms of 278 acres in 1924 and organized the Kitchen & Sheets Development Company. They platted the above farms in 607 lots, known as Dixie Heights, which is selling very rapidly. This subdivision fronts 4,500 feet on Dixie Highway and 2,700 feet on Manchester Road, opposite the 400-acre A. R. M. Company Park. This is the largest plat ever recorded from this section in Butler County.

LLEWELYN LEWIS, president of the American Water Motor Company at Columbus, is one of a remarkable family of brothers, seven of whom are living. All the others have prominent executive positions in the great iron and steel industries of Ohio and Pennsylvania, and practically all of them passed some of their boyhood working days in coal mines. With a start from humble beginnings these sons have attained positions of great responsibility and business industry, and several of them have been advanced leaders in promoting industrial welfare and democracy among the working element.

The parents of these sons were Thomas J. and Mary (Jones) Lewis, natives of Wales. They came to America in the '50s, locating in the coal mining regions of Pennsylvania. Thomas J. Lewis spent practically all his life as a coal miner. In the late '70s the family moved to Martin's Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio, then and now the center of the largest coal mining industry in this state.

All the sons grew up in the coal mining industry, and most of them worked in the mines as soon as old enough, later going into the rolling mills and other departments of iron and steel manufacture. The seven sons still living have all advanced to higher positions. Most of them learned mechanical trades in

iron and steel plants, and they are now prosperous and substantial citizens of Ohio and Pennsylvania. The oldest of the sons was the late W. T. Lewis, for many years a prominent labor leader in the United States. In his early life he was associated with T. V. Powderly, head of the old Knights of Labor, and in later years became a conspicuous figure in the American Federation of Labor. W. T. Lewis as a boy worked on the breakers in the coal mines in Pennsylvania, and continued his work as a coal miner after the family moved to Ohio. In this environment he showed his abilities as an organizer and speaker, and in subsequent years he was drawn into the high councils of the republican party as political manager in the labor unions. He served as labor commissioner of Ohio under Governor McKinley and Governor Harris, and as such was responsible for many advanced measures for the benefit of labor that are still on the statute books of the state, including the State Free Employment Bureau and various child labor regulations. He was president of the American Federation of Labor for Ohio. His achievements as a student and investigator of labor conditions, both in this country and in Europe, make up an important contribution to the history of the labor movement. He was commissioned by the Scripps-McRae League of newspapers to write reports on these conditions in Europe. He was one of the organizers of the Progressive Union.

Another of these brothers is T. L. Lewis, now secretary of the New River Coal Operators' Association of West Virginia. He succeeded John Mitchell as president of the United Mine Workers of America, and served some years at the head of the miners' federation. Eventually his services were taken over by the operators' themselves.

Mr. Llewelyn Lewis, of Columbus, was born in Pennsylvania, in 1875, but has spent practically all his life in Ohio. As a boy he worked in the mines in the Martin's Ferry district, and then in the rolling mills in that city, becoming a steel worker. For several years his home was in Perry County, Ohio, and in 1912 he removed to Columbus, where he has resided for eleven years. The American Water Motor Company, of which he is president, has a plant on East Eleventh Street. One of its products is the water motor washing machine which was invented by his brother, the late W. T. Lewis, the first machine of its kind in America. An important product of the plant is automobile parts for the Ford Motor Company of Detroit. It is one of the very substantial and successful industries of Columbus. During the war the factory was given over to the manufacture of war materials, consisting principally of screw machines for the 37-millimetre guns. Altogether the plant has a reputation for mechanical engineering of the highest order.

Like the two brothers mentioned above, Llewelyn Lewis was, until he engaged in manufacturing for himself, a leader in labor circles. Like two of his brothers he served as president of the Ohio Federation of Labor. He was instrumental in having the child labor law of Ohio passed while he was in that office. He served as vice president of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers. During several of the national and state campaigns he was associated with the National Republican Campaign Committee as a speaker in behalf of the labor element. He had charge of the labor end of the late President Harding's campaign for governor of Ohio. During the great steel strike of 1908 Mr. Lewis spoke on the same platform with Raymond Robbins of Chicago in the steel manufacturing districts of Ohio and Pennsylvania. He is a man of fearless purpose, and was prominent in several of the great strikes as well as in political campaigns.

Mr. Llewelyn Lewis married at Martin's Ferry, Ohio, Miss Anna Hilton, a native of England. They have one son and one daughter, both students in the Ohio State University, William T. and Ora L. Lewis.

Gustav A. Wilmer, Sr. One of the oldest active business men and financiers of Middletown is Gustav A. Wilmer, Sr., president of the Middletown Building and Deposit Association. He has been an active figure in the business circles of that city for over forty years.

Mr. Wilmer was born at Dayton, Ohio, November 11, 1856, son of Arnold and Elizabeth (Ties) Wilmer. He was reared in Butler County, Ohio, attended the public schools at Hamilton, and as a youth went to work and on his own merits and the basis of his industry has made his progress toward success. For several years he was employed in a dry goods store, and then, in December, 1882, came to Middletown, where he identified himself with the Sebald Brewing Company as secretary and treasurer. He still holds that executive office in what is one of the oldest industries of the city.

The Middletown Building and Deposit Association, of which he is president, was started May 5, 1875, as the Union Loan and Building Association. It is one of the oldest building and loan associations in Ohio, and has had a remarkable record of service in realizing its essential purpose as an aid to home building. This association now has over $3,000,000 in assets. It has been known as the Middletown Building and Deposit Association since May 6, 1886, and Mr. Wilmer had been president since 1913.

He was also actively identified with the movement to establish a public library, and the first meeting of the public library association was held at his residence. He is one of the library trustees. He is also a director in the Sebald Realty Company. Mr. Wilmer is a Royal Arch Mason, is a past grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and for ten years was treasurer of the lodge, is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Orders of Elks, the Modern Woodmen of America, and the Independent Order of Foresters. He is a trustee of the Woodside Cemetery Association.

On March 22, 1883, he married Miss Minnie A. Sebald, a member of the prominent Sebald family of Middletown, some record of which is preserved on other pages of this publication. Mrs. Wilmer was educated in the Middletown High School, and has been an active worker in St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The children of their marriage are: Edna, wife of Harry Bachman, of Cambridge City, Indiana; G. W. A. Wilmer, present city attorney of Middletown; Louise, wife of Robert MacClellan, of New York; Sebald, who is proprietor of the Central Garage at Middletown, and who married Miss Abbie Rogers, daughter of Judge Rogers.

J. F. Flaherty. The United States Hotel of Middletown, of which he is owner and proprietor, has a justly celebrated reputation among the public houses of entertainments in the State of Ohio. It was built by the noted capitalist and manufacturer, Paul J. Sorg, to meet the growing demand for a first-class hotel in Middletown. In this instance Mr. Sorg lived up to his reputation of thoroughness and efficiency in everything he undertook, and he spared no pains to make the United States a modern hotel in every sense of the term, giving each of its eighty-five rooms equipment and facilities found only in the great hotels in the country.

The hotel was purchased in December, 1920, by Mr. Flaherty, formerly of Newport News, Virginia. He has been in the hotel business all his life, and was formerly proprietor of the Pocahontas Hotel of Newport News, and also operated the Lexington Hotel in that city. He has the understanding and personal

Mr and Mrs J. R. Florence

qualities that make a successful landlord, as well as being a thorough master of administrative detail. His wife, formerly Miss Margaret Scaaney, of Pottsville, Pennsylvania, has been his able ally and helpmate, her business training and experience having likewise been in the hotel business.

The hotel is conducted on the European plan. Many travelers have pronounced its cafe service the equal of or superior to any in the State of Ohio. Another able assistant to the managers is Mr. and Mrs. Flaherty's accomplished niece, Miss Anna May Hanselman, who was born at Newport News, Virginia, and was educated at St. Vincent Academy in that city.

A number of distinguished men have been entertained by the United States Hotel, including President William McKinley, the late President Warren G. Harding, William Jennings Bryan, Governor James E. Campbell and Governor James M. Cox.

C. Ed Sebald, of Middletown, has been accustomed to heavy burdens of financial and business responsibilities since early manhood. He has been identified for many years with the Oglesby and Barnitz Bank, of which he is cashier, and has also been manager of large and valuable interests represented in the Sebald estate.

He represents one of the most ancient families of Bavaria, Germany. The first church ever erected in old Nuremburg was called Saint Sebaldus. The Sebalds have lived in Bavaria for centuries. Both father and grandfather of the Middletown banker were born in Unterfranken, Germany. The grandfather, Casper Sebald, is said to have frozen to death while returning home from Castell. He was a famous organist, greatly beloved by his people and admired for his art, and to this day a custom is maintained of making an annual pilgrimage to his grave. He is buried in the cemetery at Castell, and the following inscription appears on his tombstone: "Hier Ruht in Gott Casper Sebald, Geboren, November 6, 1796, Gestorben, January 21, 1854." The old Evangelical Protestant Church in which he played the organ and in which all the Sebald children were christened is still standing.

William Sebald came to America as a young man, and for many years was prominent in business at Middletown. C. Ed Sebald was born at Middletown, in 1866, and was educated in the high school of his native city. In 1885, when he was nineteen years of age, he went to work in the Oglesby and Barnitz Bank, and has been with that institution continuously ever since. For over ten years he has held the office of cashier.

At the death of his mother she left a large estate, the younger brother of C. Ed. Sebald being then only seven years of age. The older son handled the estate, and when his younger brother became of age they organized the Sebald Realty Company, which took over the Sebald holdings. This company has capital stock of $100,000, and the assest are now $750,000. The company has erected the Sebald Block, the Castell Office Building and the Reed and Klapp Building at Middletown. C. Ed Sebald is secretary and treasurer of the company. He is also a director in the American Building and Loan Association at Middletown.

Mr. Sebald was one of the influential men in securing a commission form of government for Middletown. He had served eight years on the City Council, and after the adoption of a new charter served eight years as a city commissioner. He is a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Church of Middletown, and was one of the organizers and charter members of Middletown Civic Association.

In 1887 he married Miss Annie Weber, of Middletown, daughter of Jacob Weber, a cigar manufacturer. Three sons have been born to their marriage. Weber Sebald is now assistant vice president of the American Rolling Mill Company of Middletown. Herbert Sebald, the second son, is manager of some important interests in Detroit. Raymond Sebald is manager of the Sebald Realty Company of Middletown, and is agent for the New York Life Insurance Company.

Carl J. Mueller is one of the active younger members of the Butler County bar, having completed his law studies and began practice since his service in the World war.

He was born at Middletown, March 16, 1895, son of Frank and Mary (Nichols) Mueller. His father was very active in business for a number of years, and, having accumulated a competence, is now retired. Carl J. Mueller attended the high school at Middletown, Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, and November 14, 1917, enlisted for war service. He was in training at the Wilbur Wright field at Dayton for eight months, and was then transferred to the Jersey field, where he remained until honorably discharged March 4, 1919. He was a first-class sergeant in the Aviation Corps.

After leaving the army he resumed work in college, and in 1922 was graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree from Western Reserve University at Cleveland. He was admitted to the bar, and has since engaged in practice and is also associated with his brother, Harry G. Mueller, in the real estate business. He is a member of the Butler County Bar Association, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the college fraternities Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Phi Delta Phi. He belongs to the American Legion Post at Middletown, the Civic Association, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Baptist Church.

His brother, Harry G. Mueller, manager of the Mueller Real Estate Company at Middletown, was born July 14, 1890, and was educated in the Middletown High School and the McClelland Business College. The Mueller Real Estate Company does a general business in real estate and fire and life insurance. They have been instrumental in developing considerable property in Middletown, and have built homes sold on the easy payment plan. The company represents the Columbia Life Insurance Company, the Massachusetts Fire and Marine Insurance Company, the State Assurance Company of London, the National Security Company of Omaha, and the London and Provincial of London. Harry G. Mueller is a member of the Civic Association of Middletown and is an Odd Fellow.

Jonathan Renick Florence is secretary and superintendent of the Forest Cemetery at Circleville, an office he has held for twenty-eight years. In his capacity as superintendent he has supplied most of the wonderful landscape gardening that has made one of the most beautiful burying grounds in the State of Ohio.

Mr. Florence was for many years a prominent cattle raiser and farmer, and is a member of the old and conspicuous Florence family of Pickaway County. He was born in Jackson Township, on the bank of Darby Creek, May 30, 1848, son of Ezra and Sarah (Renick) Florence. His mother was a daughter of Jonathan and Lucinda (Sudduth) Renick, who were married in 1812. She was born October 17, 1828. Jonathan Renick had come from Virginia and settled in Jackson Township, Pickaway County, as early as 1798. Other members of the family subsequently joined him.

The Florence family has been in Pickaway County since the early years of the nineteenth century. The founder of the family was Judge William

Florence, who was a conspicuous man in the early affairs of Pickaway County, Ohio, being one of the first three associate judges of that county. His son Elias was brought to Ohio when a child, and he became the owner of several thousand acres of land devoted to farming and stock raising, and served both in the Legislature and in Congress. Ezra Florence, father of Jonathan R., kept a fine herd of cattle, and one of the many silver cups won in exhibition by his stock is now owned by Jonathan R. Florence. Ezra Florence on account of ill health sold out his stock farm about 1850 and went to Texas, and he died there in 1852, when a young man.

Jonathan Renick Florence was a child when his father died. He attended for a time Kenyon College, but left his studies there to return home and assist his mother. He did not revisit his old school at Gambier until 1923. He was with his mother many years, and then with his older brother, Elias, associated in farming and stock raising. They acquired much of the old family estate.

Both he and his brother Elias married in 1868. His wife was Eliza Jane Steely, a daughter of Lemuel and Gwynne (Haldeman) Steely. The Steelys and Haldemans were prominent old families of Pickaway Township. Mrs. Florence was born in that township in 1847. Mr. Florence continued his cattle raising operations until 1897. He had 300 acres and was conspicuously successful, as so many others of his family have been. In 1897 he moved to Circleville, and since then has been secretary and superintendent of Forest Cemetery. This cemetery was chartered in 1858, and by various additions it now contains about seventy acres, sixty acres being timbered. Many competent judges have pronounced this the most artistically arranged cemetery in Ohio. All the landscape gardening has been supervised by Mr. Florence. While living in the country he served as township trustee and president of the school board and as road supervisor. One of the teachers of his early youth was Marcus Nash, brother of Governor George Nash. Marcus Nash perhaps more than any other of his early instructors left a profound impression upon his mind and character. Mr. Florence for forty years has been active in the York Rite bodies of Masonry at Circleville, and has held all the chairs. He is also a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason.

Mrs. Florence passed away October 31, 1923. Their children are: Fannie, Mrs. J. M. Morris, who resides with her father; Mary, deceased, who was the wife of H. M. Snyder, an attorney of Columbus; Grace, who died at the age of twenty years; Blanch, who died at the age of sixteen years; Sarah, who died at the age of fourteen years; Lemuel, who died at the age of four years; Ezra, who died in infancy, and Catherine, the wife of H. L. Hishe, of Georgia, who is in the poultry business.

William Thomas Sawyer, ex-mayor of the City of Akron, comes from Revolutionary stock on both sides of the house. He was born December 3, 1862, in Springfield Township, Summit County, Ohio, on the farm on which his grandfather settled in the fall of 1829. He attended the country schools until he was sixteen years of age, then the Akron schools and finally Buchtel College, now Akron University, from which institution he was graduated June 23, 1887. He refused a scholarship and paid his way by acting as a salesman during vacations. He was a charter member of Lone Star, a local college fraternity which is still active and flourishing. The winter following his graduation was spent at Knoxville, Tennessee, reading law, and on May 1, 1888, he passed the examination for admission to the bar of that state. He then returned to Akron, making the trip on one of those high-wheeled bicycles of the period. He then took up newspaper work, but continued to study law. About one year later he was admitted to the bar of Ohio and commenced active practice. Though he gave a period of nearly twenty years to the practice of law and gained distinct success as a counselor and trial lawyer, it has been outside of the realm of jurisprudence that Mr. Sawyer has best exemplified his initiative and administrative ability.

October 15, 1889, recorded the marriage of Mr. Sawyer and Miss Bessie Coe Voris, daughter of Gen. Alvin Coe Voris, long one of the most honored and influential citizens of Akron and Summit County. Mrs. Sawyer has much of leadership in the social and cultural circles of Akron. She is a member of the New Century Club, the Woman's City Club, the Alumni Chapter of Delta Gamma and all of the patriotic societies, including the Dames of the Loyal Legion and Woman's Relief Corps. She was one of the organizers of the Akron Chapter of the Society of Daughters of the American Revolution, and its first elected regent. She is organizing regent of the United States Daughters of 1812.

Two children were born as the result of this marriage, Lucy Martha Sawyer, wife of Capt. Perry H. Stevens, an attorney at law at Akron, Ohio, and Robert Voris Sawyer, a graduate of Akron University, veteran of the World war and now manager of the Sawyer Land Company.

Captain Stevens served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France and Germany.

Mr. Sawyer has always taken an active interest in politics, having made his first political speech in 1884, in support of Grover Cleveland. He served two terms as treasurer of Portage Township, and was Akron's first police court prosecutor, having been appointed to this position by Mayor Wm. H. Miller. He served as a member of the Akron City Council and was mayor of Akron four years, 1908-1911, inclusive. While in this office he procured work for all who applied. He maintained that it was better to furnish employment for all able bodied people than to require them to accept charity. "The world owes no one a living, but it owes every one a job," was one of his epigrams. He wrote the first appropriation into the city budget that Akron ever made for children's playgrounds. He won a hard fought campaign for the purchase of the privately owned water-works, selected the Big Cuyahoga River as a source of supply, and purchased the land above Kent for the new reservoir and pumping station. He thus laid the foundation for, and assured the development of Akron's splendid water system. In an address delivered at the dedication of the new plant he said, "Few cities in America have a water system as good as ours. It is an asset the value of which cannot be measured in dollars. We need not concern ourselves with the question as to who is entitled to the credit. It is sufficient to realize that the people get the benefit." He was the last mayor of Akron who performed the duties of police judge, and was the first to exercise full executive authority with power to appoint and remove the service and safety directors and their subordinates. His administration was clean, efficient and economical. He inspected the inspectors on city work and saw to it that the city got full value. Sabbath desecration, gambling and other forms of vice were suppressed. He upheld the Printers' Union in their lawful right to picket a factory in time of strike and gave them full police protection.

He has been a member of the Democratic County Committee almost continuously since 1890, and for a number of years was its chairman. He has seldom missed a county, district or state convention. He attended the Chicago Convention in 1892, which nominated Grover Cleveland, and was one of the assistant

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secretaries of the Baltimore Convention which nominated President Wilson. In 1896 he was candidate for Congress. He stumped his district and made speeches in many other counties in the state. His voice has been heard on the stump in every campaign since he became of age. He is not a radical partisan. Locally he has voted for the best man and has even scratched one candidate of his party for governor and one for president.

He served as trustee of Buchtel College for ten years. He is a Presbyterian, Odd Fellow, Elk, Eagle, Modern Woodman and is a member of the Akron City Club and the Portage Country Club. For recreation he indulges in hunting, fishing, gardening, golf and motoring. He has made a number of long trips through the East and to Florida by automobile.

He and his wife believe in seeing America first. With this idea in mind they have visited every state in the Union, Alaska, all parts of Canada, Old Mexico, Central and South America and a number of the West India Islands. They usually spend their winters in Florida.

While in college he was captain of the College Cadets, and held this position until his graduation. During this time he served one enlistment in Company B, Eighth Regiment, Ohio National Guard. During the Spanish-American war he organized and drilled a company of infantry and tendered its services to the Government. The war ended before they were mustered in. During the World war he was active in various campaigns for the sale of Liberty Bonds, War Savings Stamps and in raising funds for the Red Cross.

In addition to the work of his profession Mr. Sawyer has been active and successful as a business man. He is financially interested in banking and manufacturing, and has extensive holdings in real estate in Ohio and Florida. As owner he has laid out and developed over forty subdivisions in and around his home city, Collinwood, Homestead, Sawyerwood, Shore Acres and Cottage Grove being some of his larger undertakings. The records of the county recorder contain his name as grantor in deeds more frequently than that of any other individual.

William T. Sawyer, subject of this sketch, is the youngest son of Robert V. and Martha Ann Sawyer. Their children were Mary, Robert, Adella and William T. His father became owner of the farm on which the Sawyer family settled when they came to the county in 1829. His grandfather, Thomas Sawyer, was born in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, in 1782. His wife was Elizabeth Day. Their children were James S., Thomas H., Margaret M., John B., Ann E., Robert V., Hannah S., William G., Benjamin F., Mary J. and Margaret C. He removed from Dauphin County to Union County, Pennsylvania, in 1810, purchased a farm near Lewisburg, and remained there about twenty years, until he came to Ohio. The trip was made in covered wagons, and required over two weeks. With them they brought ten children.

Thomas Sawyer was the oldest son of Benjamin Sawyer of Dauphin County, who was born in 1748. His wife was Margaret Haynes. Their children were Thomas, William, James and Hannah (who married David Peters). Benjamin Sawyer was a Revolutionary soldier, mentioned in Pennsylvania Archives, as also was his father, William Sawyer, who was born in Ireland in 1703 and settled with his parents on the Kennebeck in Maine in the fall of 1717, according to Egle, the historian. The same authority says that William Sawyer moved to Dauphin County prior to 1735. He was a farmer, and in a few years became owner of over 500 acres of land at or near the present City of Hershey. William and his son Benjamin, with their wives and many other members of the family, are buried in the old Presbyterian Church yard at that place.

Martha Ann Sawyer, mother of the subject of this sketch, was the daughter of James and Mary Fife Sawyer. Prior to her marriage she was a teacher and lecturer. Some of the posters announcing her lectures are still in the possession of her descendants. Her paternal grandfather, Benjamin Sawyer, and great-grandfather, William Sawyer, were Revolutionary soldiers above mentioned. Her maternal grandfather, John Fife, Jr., who married Isabel Thompson, and her great-grandfather, John Fife, Sr., who married Margaret Wright, were also Revolutionary soldiers. The latter was born in Fifeshire, Scotland, in 1721. He moved to County Tyrone, Ireland, and settled on a farm at Archill, twenty-two miles from Londonderry. In 1756 he removed to Winchester, Virginia, and to upper St. Clair Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, in 1766. They both served in the Revolutionary war from 1778 until its close. They were both in the expedition which started in Western Pennsylvania, marched to Mingo Bottom and then proceeded to Upper Sandusky, at which place they were defeated by the Indians after two days' battle, and their commander, Col. William Crawford, was captured and burned at the stake. The survivors who escaped made their way back to Pennsylvania through the wilderness. Among these were the two Fifes and also Capt. William Fife, a brother of John Fife, Sr.

The members of the Sawyer family are usually tall, active, blue-eyed, self-reliant and democratic. They stand for majority rule and constituted authority. They are Scotch-Irish, and have usually belonged to the Presbyterian Church.

Hon. Daniel C. Brower. One of the most resourceful organizers and influential figures in the republican party in the State of Ohio is a Dayton insurance man, Daniel C. Brower. Since he became the recognized official head of the republican organization in Montgomery County the complexion of that county has been completely changed from one of normal democratic superiority to the production of republican majority. He has had similar success in managing campaigns over his congressional district, and throughout Southwestern Ohio his name has great prestige in republican councils.

Mr. Brower was born January 30, 1876, in Preble County, which was also the native county of his parents, Joseph S. and Susan (Eby) Brower. His father was a farmer, and in 1882 moved to Montgomery County, where the mother died in 1884 and the father on April 21, 1911.

Daniel C. Brower was educated in public school, in the high school at Trotwood, Ohio, and in Ohio Northern University at Ada. Seven years of his early manhood were devoted to teaching and for a time he was principal of the New Lebanon schools. While a school teacher he took up insurance as a side line and vacation work but since 1902 has devoted his full time to the business, becoming in that year assistant district manager for the National Life Insurance Company of Vermont and two years later was promoted to district manager. For nine years he ranked first in business secured among all the general agents in Ohio and in June, 1919, broke all records of business secured by agents for this company since it was founded in 1860. In 1921 he also took the agency of the Detroit Fidelity and Security Company of Detroit. In 1923 he led all of this company's agencies in production of business, having written $5,014,615 in that year.

Mr. Brower in 1900 was chosen republican precinct committeeman. In 1906 he managed a successful campaign for the election of his brother, George W. Brower, to the office of county recorder, and two

years later managed his brother's campaign for county auditor. In 1910, on the death of his brother, he became candidate for the office of county auditor. During these years he began the study and systematic organization of Montgomery County, which for years had been strongly democratic. In 1913 he was candidate for the Board of Election, and after a strong test, which was carried to the Ohio Supreme Court, he received his commission as a member on October 1, 1913, and on May 1, 1919, became chairman of the Board of Election. In 1922 he was elected a member of the State Republican Central Committee from the Third Congressional District, an office he still holds. Recently much pressure has been brought to bear upon him by leading politicians to get him to accept the state chairmanship of the Republican State Central Committee, but this honor he refused. Mr. Brower was one of the first prominent men in Ohio politics to advocate Warren G. Harding for the presidency, and was himself an intimate friend of the late President. In 1920 he was an alternate delegate to the National Convention at Chicago and subsequently was Harding's campaign manager in the Third Congressional District and is now campaign manager in that district for President Coolidge. Montgomery County was still democratic when he became chairman of the County Central Committee in 1918, but in all subsequent elections he has turned out a republican majority. Mr. Brower has the distinction of never having lost a political fight. As state central committeeman from the Third District he has had charge of organizations in all the counties in that section of the state, and practically all these counties have been normally democratic and he has changed them to republican positions. He has campaigned for the Republican National Committee, and is very fluent and a convincing orator.

Mr. Brower is a member of the Dayton City Club, is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Linden Lodge, the Knights of Pythias, the Junior Order United American Mechanics, Trotwood Lodge No. 54, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Dayton Young Men's Christian Association. He married, December 23, 1915, Miss Mary Anderson, daughter of John T. and Emma (Brown) Anderson, of West Alexandria, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Brower have one daughter, Dorothy Charlotte.

Charles G. Barton, D. D. S., who has been engaged in the practice of his profession in the City of Middletown, Butler County, since the spring of 1914, has here built up a specially large and representative practice, in which he brings to bear not only his excellent technical ability but also the most modern appliances and accessories known to dental science. His fine office suite of five rooms, on the second floor of the Castell Building, includes attractively appointed reception room and a laboratory department of thoroughly metropolitan equipment, the while in the operative department the facilities are of equally high standard.

Doctor Barton claims the historic old Bay State as the place of his nativity, and his ancestral records there run back through many generations. He was born at Adams, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, December 7, 1889, and is a son of Henry and Margaret (Barnes) Barton. In the public schools of Adams he continued his studies until he had duly profited by the advantages of the high school and the excellent collegiate preparatory institution known as Savary School. To Ohio institutions, however, the Doctor is indebted for his education along professional lines. In the dental department of the University of Ohio, at Columbus, he was graduated as a member of the class of 1913, and after thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery he was for nine months engaged in practice at Portsmouth, Ohio. He then, in February, 1914, established his residence in Middletown, where he has built up a large and representative practice and gained prestige as one of the leading dental practitioners in this section of the Buckeye State. In 1917 the Doctor completed an effective post-graduate course, in conductive anesthesia, at the Ohio Dental College in the City of Cincinnati. He is actively identified with the Miami Valley Dental Society, the Ohio State Dental Society and the National Dental Association. He makes it an insistent part of his professional routine to attend the annual meetings of the above mentioned state and national organizations, and at all times keeps in close touch with advances made in dental science and practice. In connection with the equipment of his offices it may be noted specially that Doctor Barton here utilizes two of the celebrated Ritter dental units and one Ritter X-Ray machine, more than $10,000 having been invested by him in the fitting up and equipping of his office headquarters, where his professional business is now of such scope as to require his retaining an assistant dentist. In the Masonic fraternity Doctor Barton has advanced through the various grades of both the York and Scottish Rites until he has received in the latter the thirty-second degree, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is affiliated also with Middletown Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

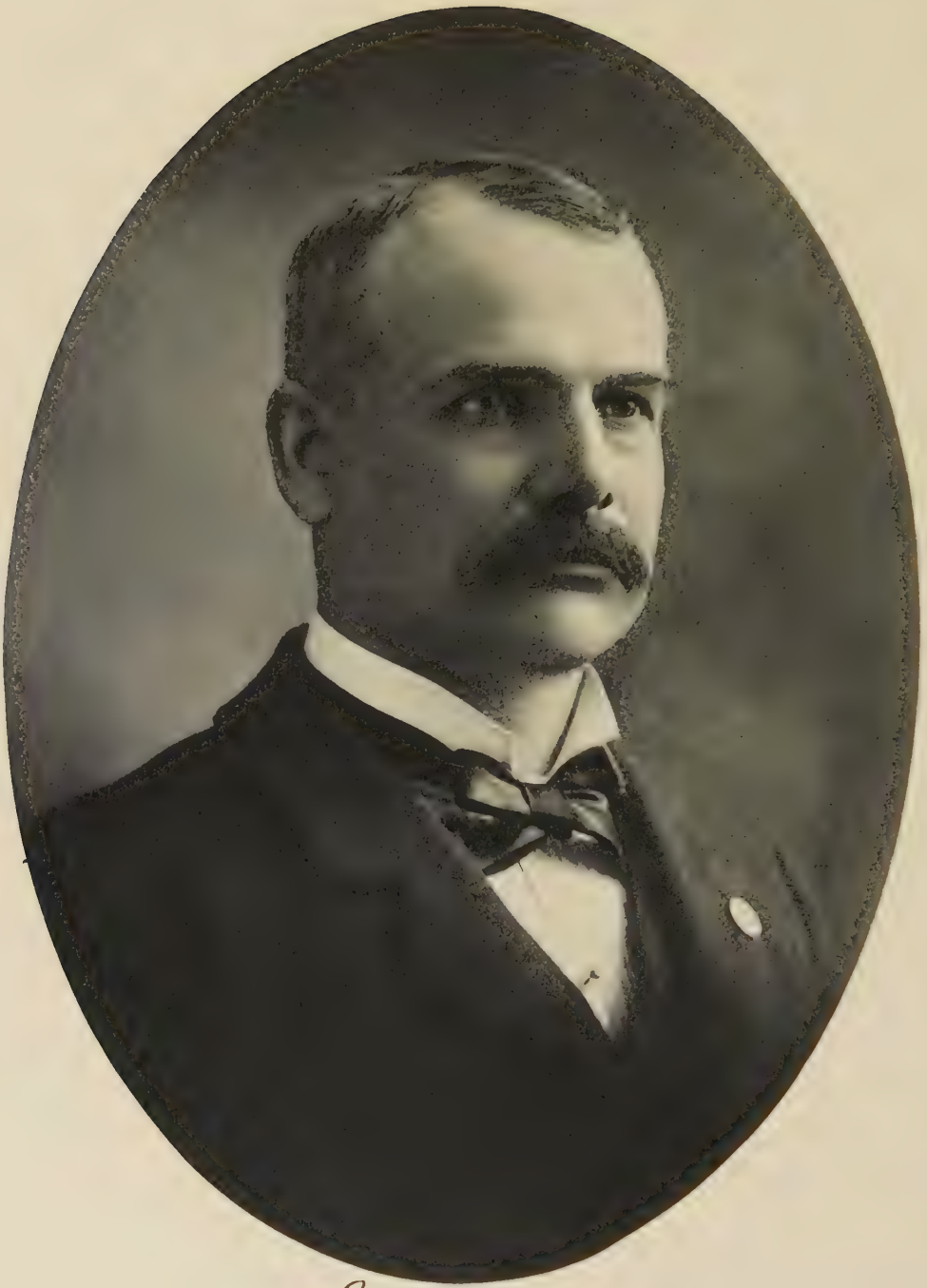
Doctor Barton is loyal and liberal as a citizen, and takes a lively interest in all that touches the welfare and advancement of his home city. He is first vice president of the Commercial Bank of Middletown, with the organization and incorporation of which he was actively concerned; he is a member of the directorate of the Middletown Young Men's Christian Association; is a director of the Security Finance & Mortgage Company; and he and his wife are zealous members of the First Presbyterian Church of Middletown, he having given several years of service as secretary of its Sunday school.

The year 1914, which was marked by Doctor Barton's establishing is permanent home at Middletown, likewise recorded his marriage with Miss Norma Braun, daughter of John and Josephine (Huber) Braun, of Hamilton, Ohio. Mrs. Barton completed a course in the Hamilton High School and thereafter developed her exceptional musical talent by attending the celebrated Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. A woman of fine attainments and most gracious personality, Mrs. Barton is a popular factor in the representative social and cultural activities of Middletown, where she is specially influential in the work and service of the Home Culture Club. Doctor and Mrs. Barton have three children: Margaret, John and Charles.

Ellis S. Rump is one of the progressive younger business men of Hamilton, being general manager and a partner in the Hamilton Autographic Register Company, one of the city's important manufacturing concerns.

Mr. Rump was born in Hamilton, Ohio, August 18, 1896. His father, the late George A. Rump, who died in 1913, was for many years connected with the Wabash Railway Company.

Ellis S. Rump, after graduating from the Hamilton High School in 1914, went with the Hamilton Autographic Register Company in the sales department. He was promoted to purchasing agent and sales manager, and in 1918 to general manager of the business. On January 1, 1919, he was made a partner in the business, and also continued his duties as manager. This company has capital of over $400,000, and manufactures some of the widely known lines of office and business stationery and accessories, includ-



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ing autographic registers, typewriter attachments and stationery supplies.

Mr. Rump married in 1919, Miss Elizabeth Sohngen, daughter of Edward C. Sohngen, one of Hamilton's most prominent business men. Mrs. Rump graduated in 1915 from the Hamilton High School, and completed her education in the Fairmont Seminary at Washington, D. C. They have one son, Ellis S., Jr., born in 1922.

William Rigling is president of the Rigling Realty Company at Hamilton, a line of business with which he has been identified for the past ten years. Mr. Rigling has handled some of the most important subdivision developments and improvements in Hamilton in recent years, and he has been responsible for some of the projects that have contributed in most notable measure to the home building movement in this Southern Ohio city.

Mr. Rigling was born at Hamilton, a member of a substantial and respected family of that community. His parents were Joseph and Rose (Holzer) Rigling, his father now deceased. The other children in the family were: Joseph, Rose, Edward, Josephine, Leo, Paul and Anna.

William Rigling attended parochial schools in Hamilton, and at the age of fifteen was clerking in a local business house at a wage of $2.50 a week. Out of that he deposited each week 50 cents in a local building association, and knowing the struggles required for establishing a competency he has in later years made his business a means of important service to his patrons. During the five years of his employment for others he completed a business college course, and then finished his education by a tour of Europe, in the course of which he attended the Paris Exposition.

Mr. Rigling engaged in the real estate business in 1915. The Rigling Realty Company has handled the purchase, subdivision and the sale of a number of tracts in and around Hamilton, and has built a great many homes of substantial comfort and moderate cost sold on the installment plan. Mr. Rigling is a business man who has kept before himself not only the ideal of profit but also that of service. His business is well characterized by its motto: "It must be a square deal for both buyer and seller if the deal is made through this office."

Mr. Rigling is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the various real estate and other commercial organizations in Hamilton. He and his wife are active in the Catholic Church, and for a number of years Mrs. Rigling was a church organist. He married in 1905, Miss Josephine Pater, daughter of Bernard and Katherine (Holbrock) Pater, of Hamilton. Their children, educated in the parochial schools at Hamilton, are named: Mary Louise, Catherine, Rosaline, Bernard, Cecilia, Ralph, Jovita, Agnes, Billy and Clotilda.

George W. McGilliard is proprietor of the George McGilliard Realty Company, realtors and brokers in real estate and insurance at Hamilton. Mr. McGilliard for a number of years was an expert accountant employed in various industrial organizations in Southern Ohio, and that experience has proven valuable to him in conducting a prosperous real estate business.

He was born at Wyoming, Ohio, October 2, 1886, son of Stanley and Alice A. (Hartwell) McGilliard. His mother was a daughter of George W. Hartwell, public accountant, for many years in the office of Hon. Judson Harmon at Cincinnati.

George W. McGilliard acquired a public school education at Liberty, Ohio, graduating from the high school of Mount Healthy in 1904, and in 1905 graduating from the Nelson Business College at Cincinnati. In a class of 367 he was the only one to receive a full diploma for completed course.

On leaving business college Mr. McGilliard was bookkeeper and assistant cashier for the Coney Island Company at Cincinnati, a company owned by Thomas W. Paxton, president of the Edgewood Distilling Company. Subsequently he was transferred to the general offices of the Edgewood Distilling Company as assistant bookkeeper. Following that he became head bookkeeper and auditor with Shuler & Benninghofen, operating the Miami Woolen Mills at Hamilton. He remained with this industrial corporation for fifteen years.

He finally resigned to engage in the real estate business, and on April 1, 1922, opened an office in the Rentschler Building. November 1, 1922, he moved to more spacious quarters at 132 High Street, where the business has since been conducted as the George McGilliard Realty Company. In addition to the general service performed by a real estate and insurance agency the company has done some notable work in the building and selling of homes and the laying out of sub-divisions. The company opened and sold the Benninghofen and Milliken farm of sixty-five acres south of Hamilton, this sub-division being restricted to high class homes.

Mr. McGilliard is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, is a member of the Hamilton Young Men's Christian Association, and is trustee of the Hamilton Methodist Episcopal Church. During the World war period he had an active part in the Liberty Bond, Savings Stamp and Red Cross campaigns.

In 1908, Mr. McGilliard married Miss Ada Johnston, of Middletown, daughter of Horace E. and Catherine (Bergen) Johnston. She is a graduate of the Middletown High School, and is a member of the Federation of Women Voters Clubs. They have two children: Stanley Hartwell, born in 1909, now attending the Hamilton High School; and Edgar Wilson, born in 1913, in the Hamilton grammar school.

Peter J. Lenhart, M. D., has practiced medicine nearly half a century. His professional abilities and service are particularly appreciated throughout Fulton County, where he has spent most of his active life. He is also a banker, and his many interests bring him in touch with the general welfare of his community.

Doctor Lenhart was born near New Bedford, Coshocton County, Ohio, son of Peter and Magdalena (Deitz) Lenhart. His father was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, and his mother in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, her father Henry Dietz coming from Pennsylvania. Peter Lenhart, Sr., who died in 1867, at the age of sixty-seven, was much interested in public affairs, holding various township and county offices.

Dr. Peter J. Lenhart grew up on a farm, attended the public schools of his native county, and subsequently entered the medical department of Wooster University, where he was graduated in 1875. He stood first in his graduating class. Immediately he began the practice of medicine in Tuscarawas County, remaining there several years, and in 1878 moved to Wauseon. In former years he performed the arduous service of a physician with an extensive country practice, traveling horseback and by buggy over roads to the outermost limits of Fulton County. He is still active in his profession at the age of seventy-eight. It was his ambition to represent the best abilities of his calling, and he sought in his own experience by active contact with able men in the profession to perfect his own powers.

Doctor Lenhart for many years was a member of the Board of Pension Examiners, and is a mem-

ber of the County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and the Northwest Ohio Medical Association. He organized and is president of the Northwest Ohio Telephone Company, is president of the Fulton County Loan & Savings Company, and for several years has been president of the Wauseon Public Library.

Doctor Lenhart married Miss Ida Pfeifer, who was born at Fremont, Ohio. They are the parents of two children. Carl Henry Lenhart graduated from the literary department of Western Reserve University in 1901, and in 1904 completed his medical education at Western Reserve and has since been a successful physician and surgeon. He is now chief surgeon of St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio. The other son, Harry Hull Lenhart, is a graduate of Adelbert College of Western Reserve University with the class of 1905, and is now a resident of Cleveland, an accountant of that city.

JOHN E. D. DAWSON, embalmer and funeral director at 420 South Fourth Street, Hamilton, Ohio, is a young man with diversified talents and has made himself favorably known in many outside activities in Hamilton.

He was born at Alexandria, Kentucky, June 24, 1898, son of James and Maud E. (Metzler) Dawson. Eighteen months after his birth his parents moved to Hamilton, where his father for a time was connected with a wholesale fruit business and then, learning the moulder's trade, has since followed that occupation.

John E. D. Dawson attended the public schools in Hamilton, graduating from high school in 1917. He completed his course in the Cincinnati College of Embalming in 1918, and in the same year was elected supervisor of applied arts of embalming at the Cincinnati College, a position he occupied six months. Following that he spent six months with Pfeifer & Company, undertakers, at Portsmouth, Ohio, and then returning to Hamilton was employed by Bonner & Cahill, an undertaking firm with whom he had worked while attending school. Altogether he spent six years with this firm. Leaving there, he was manager of the Hodap Funeral Home at Carthage for a brief time, and then, in July, 1922, opened his funeral parlors at Hamilton. He has a completely motorized and modern equipment.

Mr. Dawson is councillor of the Junior Order of American Mechanics, belongs to the Daughters of America, and is active in the First Baptist Church, formerly being secretary of the Sunday school, and for three years was general secretary. Is a former president of the Young People's Baptist Union, and had the largest class in the entire Miami Valley. He is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association Quartet.

Dr. Dawson married, May 18, 1922, Miss Anna Mae Baker, of Hamilton, daughter of Charles and Bess (Parisho) Baker. She was educated in the Hamilton High School, and attended school at Connersville, Indiana. Mrs. Dawson is a member of the Daughters of America, was the first president of the Baptists World Wide Guild, and is president of the White Cross Sewing Circle.

PAUL K. CARTIER for many years has been identified with one of Hamilton's largest industrial corporations, the Champion Coated Paper Company, of which he is cashier. He is also an active figure in republican politics in Butler County, and is at present a councilman at large in the City of Hamilton.

He was born at Williamsburg, Ohio, April 1, 1890, and was three years of age when his parents, John F. and Addie B. (Byland) Cartier, moved to Hamilton, where his parents still reside, his father being now retired. The father had lost all his property by fire before coming to Hamilton. Paul K. Cartier completed the eighth grade in the Hamilton public schools, and then had to seek employment to help support the family. For four months he was an employe of the American Can Company, and then joined the Champion Coated Paper Company as errand boy. For a time he put in seven days a week, and also for three nights in the week attended the night classes of the Young Men's Christian Association. In that way he completed a three-year course in mechanical drawing, a two-year course in stenography and a one-year course in commercial arithmetic and business law.

In the meantime he was promoted to assistant stock keeper in the millwright department of the Champion Coated Paper Company, serving fourteen months as assistant and was then promoted to superintendent of the department. After five years he was made assistant bookkeeper and cashier of the entire plant, and has been performing those duties now for twelve years. He has also continued his higher education, taking a correspondence course in higher accounting in the La Salle University of Chicago.

Mr. Cartier in 1921 was candidate for councilman at large, being defeated by forty-two votes. In 1923 he ran for the same office against the same opponent, and was elected by a majority of 1,476. In the City Council he is chairman of the finance and taxation committee, streets and sewer committee and public safety committee and a member of the administration and claims committee. Mr. Cartier is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He owns his home at 424 Cleveland Avenue.

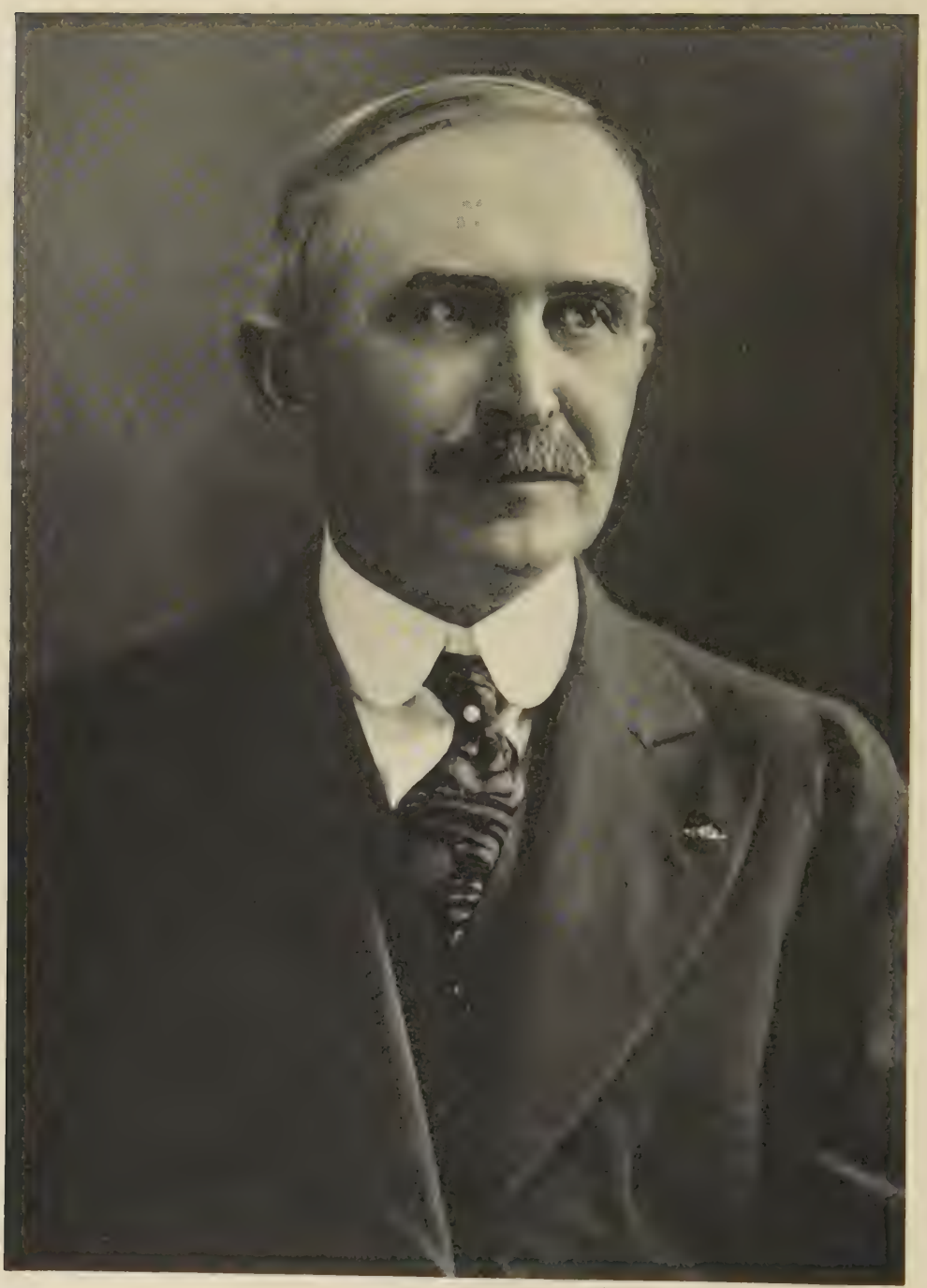
On June 10, 1914, he married Miss La Verne Kretzinger, of Hamilton, daughter of Nathaniel and May (Moore) Kretzinger. Mrs. Cartier is a member of the Woman's City Club, and is active socially. They have one son, Paul K., Jr., born in 1917.

ELBERT M. LADLEY has enjoyed a steadily growing influence and success as a citizen and business man of Hamilton for many years. He is secretary of the Todd Stationery and Printing Company, and also president of the Hamilton City Council.

He was born at Mount Lookout, Cincinnati, Ohio, August 25, 1877, son of Daniel B. and Emma Levina (Fagin) Ladley, of Cincinnati. His mother is now deceased. His father, a resident of Cincinnati, is a traveling salesman, a business he has followed many years.

Elbert M. Ladley spent all his boyhood and early manhood in Cincinnati, where he attended grammar school. He studied shorthand in Campbell's Business College and bookkeeping at the Bartlett Business College. He had a thorough routine of training in business, being employed for a time in the drug store of Jason S. Evans, then in the office of the Cincinnati Type Foundry Company of Cincinnati, as stenographer for the Curry Wooden Ware Company of Cincinnati, as public stenographer at Hotel Honing, and then in the Cincinnati offices of the Fairbanks-Morse Company, beginning as stenographer, and was chief clerk and cashier when he resigned.

Mr. Ladley came to Hamilton to become an employe of the Niles Tool Works Company, at first as a stenographer, and then as private secretary to Mr. James K. Cullen, president of the company and now president of the Niles Bement Pond Company of New York City. Mr. Ladley was with the Niles Tool Works Company for a period of seventeen years, having been put in charge of the stationery and supplies department as chief stenographer in 1913, and finally was promoted to assistant purchasing agent.



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This position he resigned to become secretary of the Todd Stationery and Printing Company.

The Todd Stationery and Printing Company was organized May 1, 1922, to take over the business of the old firm of Forbes & Todd Company. The capital stock is $30,000, and the officers are P. C. Todd, president; F. M. Goodman, vice president; Elbert M. Ladley, secretary, and L. L. Weaver, treasurer. The company does a general stationery, novelty and printing business, and owns the only first-class book store in Hamilton.

Mr. Ladley is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Young Men's Christian Association. He is an elder in the Presbyterian Church and teacher of its Bible Class, and is a member of the Butler County Sunday School Association and superintendent of administration of that association.

On July 6, 1899, he married Miss Lillie A. Heyer, of Cincinnati. She was educated in the high school of that city, and is a member of the League of Ohio Woman Voters and very prominent socially. Mr. and Mrs. Ladley have three children: Russell Elbert, born in 1900, was educated in the Hamilton High School, and is now an inspector at the Ford Plant in Hamilton. Gordon H., the second son, was born in 1904, and is a student in the Hamilton High School. Lillian Ruth, born in 1911, is attending the grammar schools.

Mr. Ladley was elected a member of the City Council of Hamilton in the fall of 1923, taking office January 1, 1924. He was chosen president of the City Council and vice mayor. He is a member of the Good Government League, and had an influential part in promoting the success of the various war programs in Hamilton. He is one of the group of men largely responsible for making Butler County almost republican, though for many years it had been solidly democratic.

George O. Sloneker, whose family name has been a familiar one in Butler County for a century, is best known on account of his long and capable service as chief deputy sheriff of the county.

Mr. Sloneker was born at Collinsville, Ohio, August 31, 1868. His grandfather Sloneker came from Alsace Lorraine to the United States in 1824, and was an early settler in Milford Township of Butler County. He was a farmer and grocer there, and later at Collinsville, and he married after coming to Ohio. Jacob Sloneker, father of George O., was born on a farm near Somerville, Ohio, and served as a Union soldier with the Second Ohio Heavy Artillery. After the war he located at Collinsville, and for many years engaged in stone and cement contracting. In 1891 he removed his home to Oxford, Ohio. He married at Collinsville in 1867 Sarah Williams, who was of old Virginia stock. She was born at Terre Haute, Indiana, in 1846, and her mother and sister moved to Hamilton, Ohio, in 1861. Her mother was a nurse during the Civil war, and her stepfather was a soldier in both the Mexican and Civil wars.

George O. Sloneker, oldest of the four children of his parents, was educated in public schools and took some courses in the Young Men's Christian Association. He was a clerk in the general offices of a railroad at Cincinnati, studied law for a time, and was in the real estate business at Cincinnati. For six years he was in the service of the United States Express Company, and in 1909 became deputy sheriff of Butler County. He filled that office consecutively fifteen years, through the administrations of four sheriffs, and in 1924 became a candidate himself for the democratic nomination for sheriff. Mr. Sloneker has been active in democratic politics. He was chief deputy sheriff during the World war, and in that capacity had many unusual duties of responsibility, and he also served as captain of the First Ward team in the Red Cross Campaign. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Loyal Order of Moose.

Mr. Sloneker married in 1914 Miss Edith May Pierce, daughter of B. F. and Ellen M. Pierce, of Arcanum, Ohio. She is a member of the Baptist Church. They have two children: George O., Jr., born December 10, 1915, and Margaret Ellen, born in 1921.

John B. Lefler. General manager of the Federal Adjustment Company of Hamilton, the oldest concern of its kind in Ohio, John B. Lefler is called upon to make collections, render credit reports and adjustments in all parts of the United States, and through his accuracy and dependability has built up a reputation for the company that is national in scope.

John B. Lefler was born in Trimble County, Kentucky, April 30, 1874, a son of Daniel W. and Mary E. (Hogg) Lefler, both of whom are deceased. For a number of years the father worked successfully as a carpenter contractor.

Until he was eleven years old John B. Lefler attended the public schools of Ohio, but from then on until he completed his studies he attended those of Oklahoma, the family having moved to that state in 1885. Following the termination of his education Mr. Lefler returned to Ohio, and became agent at Cincinnati for Western and Southern Life Insurance, and for five years held this position most acceptably. At the termination of that period he opened a store in the Emory Arcade at Cincinnati, and remained in business for two years, when he sold and moved to Hamilton. From then until 1913 he was on the road as a traveling salesman, but then took a position as salesman in the store of Max Joffe at Hamilton, and held it for two years. For the next two years he held a similar position in Mark Brilliant's furniture store of the same city. Going back then to Oklahoma, he entered Company C, First Oklahoma National Guards, and was first stationed in California, and later in San Antonio and Fort Houston, Texas. In 1917 he received his honorable discharge. While he was in the army at the time of this country's entry into the World war, he was rejected for overseas service on account of being over age, according to the strict regulations of that period.

Returning to Hamilton, he became manager of the American Supply Company, holding this position until June, 1923, at which time he took over his present company. His long and varied experience in commercial life, both on the road and otherwise, particularly adapts him for his present line of work, and is a valuable aid to him. He belongs to the Lawyers and Bankers Association and the American Business Men's Service. Fraternally he maintains membership with the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Loyal Order of Moose.

On June 30, 1921, Mr. Lefler married Miss Pansy Belle Chapins, of Hamilton, Ohio, a daughter of Samuel and Jenny Chapins, the former of whom is deceased, but the latter is still living. Mrs. Lefler was educated in the Hamilton High School. Mr. and Mrs. Lefler have two children, Catherine and Doris.

Robert W. Boyd has for thirty years been a banker at London in Madison County. He was born and grew up in that community, and combining his own service with that of his father gives a record of more than half a century in banking in Madison County.

He was born at London, October 4, 1864. His father, Robert Boyd, whose father was also named

Robert Boyd, was born in Washington, Pennsylvania, and was seven years old when his parents came to Ohio and settled in Madison County. Here Robert Boyd attended public schools, taught for one term, after which he became successfully identified with farming and stock raising. He was one of the founders of the London Exchange Bank in 1870, and was president of the institution for over a quarter of a century, until he retired. He was an able financier and business man, and possessed an integrity of character that made him one of the important men in the community. He died in 1906. His wife, Caroline Wilson, who died in 1900, was a daughter of Valentine Wilson, of Madison County. They had five children, two sons and three daughters.

Robert W. Boyd grew up at London, attending the public schools, and graduated from high school in 1882. Following that he spent two years in Ohio Wesleyan University, and is also a graduate of Duff's Commercial College of Pittsburgh. After completing his education Mr. Boyd spent about seven years in the county treasurer's office as deputy treasurer. On May 15, 1893, having become financially interested in the London Exchange Bank, he accepted the office of cashier, and held that post for six years. With the reorganization of the bank in 1899, at which time it took out a state charter, Mr. Boyd became president, and has been the executive officer for a quarter of a century.

Mr. Boyd, who has never married, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, and belongs to the Methodist Church. In politics he votes as a republican.

David Webb has been proprietor of the Webb undertaking service of Hamilton for the past twenty years, and has made his service one of the most complete in Southern Ohio. He represents an old and honored family of that city.

He was born at Hamilton, July 6, 1871, son of Foster and Margaret (Nein) Webb, his father a native of Adams County, Ohio, and his mother of Germany. Foster Webb served three years as a Union soldier in the Thirty-first Ohio Infantry, and after the war engaged in the transfer and livery business at Hamilton. He was one of the honored and substantial business men of the city for many years. He finally retired, and lived in Kentucky until his death in 1901. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and was active in the Baptist Church.

David Webb, one of six children, was reared at Hamilton, attended the public schools, and after leaving high school went to work for his father in the livery and transfer business. He was also associated with his brother Walter in the livery business for several years. About 1904 he engaged in the undertaking business, and on January 15, 1907, was granted a license as an embalmer after taking the state examination for undertakers. His assistant, Robert Klaus, was licensed under State Board July 2, 1916. The Webb undertaking establishment is completely motorized, including ambulance, two hearses and four private sedans. Mrs. Webb has aided in making the service high-class in every particular, assisting in the embalming and handling other details of the business.

Mr. Webb is a popular member of a number of fraternal and civic organizations, including the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Tribe of Ben Hur, the Maccabees and others. He and his family are members of the First Baptist Church of Hamilton. In 1901 Mr. Webb married Miss Alta Keltner, of Princeton, Ohio, daughter of Abram and Clara (Scudder) Keltner. Her father was a well-known farmer of Butler County. Mrs. Webb was educated in the public schools of Butler County, and is a member of the Pythian Sisters. They have three sons. Howard, born in 1902, is now a prominent stock raiser at Port Union, Ohio, operating a large ranch, where he specializes in the breeding of Chester White hogs, and a number of his animals have been awarded prizes at state fairs. Howard Webb married Miss Bernice Black, of Butler County. The second son, Gordon, born in 1904, assists his brother on the ranch. The youngest son, Herbert, born in 1907, is a student in the Hamilton High School.

Harry H. Despond is a well equipped and brilliant young attorney, now practicing as a member of the bar in the County of Hamilton, where he was born and reared.

He was born December 22, 1894, son of Herbert H. and Sarah (Timberman) Despond. Harry H. Despond attended local schools, graduating from the Hamilton High School in 1913, and in 1917 received his Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Michigan. He took his law course also at the University of Michigan, remaining four years in study and graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1921. Before engaging in practice he remained for another two years engaged in research work, and in February, 1924, opened his office at Hamilton. Mr. Despond, who is unmarried, is a democrat in politics, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Hon. Morris Y. Shuler, mayor of Seven Mile, and one of the prosperous farmers of Butler County, is a man who has accomplished much for his city since he has been its chief executive, for he is energetic, fearless and progressive, and an official of unblemished integrity. He was born in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, October 21, 1872, a son of Moses and Sarah Shuler. Until his death in 1913 the father was prominently identified with farming interests. The mother survives.

Attending the public schools of his native county, Mayor Shuler was reared by watchful parents, and early learned the lessons of industry and thrift which have been so useful to him in his later years. After he had completed his school days he went to Allentown, Pennsylvania, and for a year drove a delivery wagon. Going then to Hamilton, Ohio, where for two years he was in the employ of the Red Trunk Clothing Store, he left that concern to go on the road as traveling salesman for Michael Stearns & Company, wholesale clothing, of Rochester, New York, and he held this position for eight years. Mayor Shuler then accepted the position of manager of the Roe-Emerson Clothing Store of Newark, Ohio, which he retained for two years. Then, returning to Hamilton, he opened a tea and coffee store, and conducted it for the succeeding five years. In 1912 he came to Seven Mile and, opening a produce business, operated it for seven years.

In 1919 he sold that business and embarked in farming. His present farm, which is a very valuable one, is largely devoted to stock raising, and Mayor Shuler has 250 pure bred Hampshire hogs on it, in which he specializes. This farm is managed by his son. In 1911 Mr. Shuler was elected a justice of the peace for a term of four years, and in 1923 was elected police judge of Seven Mile, but resigned in June of that year, and in the succeeding August was elected mayor of the city, for a two-year term. Believing in the enforcement of the laws, he has been very vigorous in prosecuting the liquor violators. The City Council has erected 1,000 feet of concrete sidewalk, and purchased a new fire chemical truck costing $2,500, and a fire siren costing $300, and is arranging to make many other improvements, which have been made possible by the collection of fines. Mayor Shuler

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served for four years on the school board, and secured for Seven Mile its present centralized school. Some idea of his personal popularity may be gathered from the fact that when he was candidate for mayor only two votes were cast against him, a most remarkable record. He is quite as zealous in behalf of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he is a member, as he is with reference to mundane matters.

Mayor Shuler married Miss Frances Drayer, of Seven Mile, a daughter of Hon. John B. and Amanda (Baird) Drayer. Mr. Drayer was one of the leading attorneys of Seven Mile during his younger years, but later moved to Eaton, Ohio, and after eight years there, went to Mount Pleasant, Iowa, continuing at both places the practice of his profession. In 1862 he entered the Union Army, commanding a company of infantry, but ill health compelled him to resign. Returning to Mount Pleasant, he resumed his practice, and in 1864 was elected county judge, and served until 1869, when he was elected circuit judge, and was reelected three times, his last term expiring December 31, 1879. Returning to Ohio, he spent his last days at Seven Mile, where his death occurred. Mayor and Mrs. Shuler have two children: Ruth Amanda and Clifford.

Herbert Wilson Mitchell has a full complement of popular confidence and honor in "his own country," as is clearly indicated by the statement that he is serving as county attorney of Belmont County and maintains his official and professional headquarters in his native city of St. Clairsville, the judicial center of the county. Here he was born on the 8th of January, 1885, and he is a scion of a family whose name has been identified with the annals of American history since the early Colonial era. Nathaniel Mitchell, great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was a patriot soldier in the war of the Revolution, and James Mitchell, grandfather of Herbert W., served as a soldier in the War of 1812.

Alfred H. Mitchell, father of the present county attorney of Belmont County, was born in Richland Township, this county, May 31, 1849, and here he gained his early education by attending the common schools of the period. Thereafter he applied himself to the study of law, and on the 18th of September, 1871, he was admitted to the bar. He has since continued in the active practice of law at St. Clairsville, he having originally been associated with his brother under the firm title of Mitchell & Mitchell, and this firm name has been retained in his professional alliance with his son, Herbert W., who has been thus associated with him since 1908. Alfred H. Mitchell, known as one of the able lawyers and influential citizens of Belmont County, was prosecuting attorney of the county during the period of 1880-1885. He has been prominent in the councils and campaign work of the republican party in this section of Ohio, and counted the late President Warren G. Harding as one of his close political and personal friends. He served as a member of the state bar examining board from 1911 to 1917, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and he is one of the stockholders of the Dollar Savings Bank of St. Clairsville, in the organization of which, in 1895, he took an active part. September 23, 1875, recorded his marriage to Miss Mary A. Wilkinson, and she passed to the life eternal on the 9th of February, 1911.

In the public schools of St. Clairsville Herbert W. Mitchell continued his studies until his graduation from the high school as a member of the class of 1903. Thereafter he was for one year a student in the University of Colorado, at Boulder, where he became affiliated with the Phi Delta Theta college fraternity. In preparation for the profession of his choice he entered the law department of the University of Ohio, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1908, his admission to the Ohio bar having been virtually coincident with his reception of his degree of Bachelor of Laws. At the university he became affiliated with the Phi Delta Pi legal fraternity and the Sphinx Society. As previously intimated, he has been associated with his father as junior member of the law firm of Mitchell & Mitchell since 1908. He served six years as municipal solicitor of the village of St. Clairsville, and in October, 1921, he became assistant county attorney, in which connection he was one of the prosecutors in the celebrated John I. Majors labor case in 1922. In November, 1922, he was elected county attorney, and he assumed his official functions in the following January, and his term of office will expire in January, 1925. As prosecuting attorney he was prosecutor in the Long case, and the conviction effected for murder resulted in the execution of the murderer, the second execution ever held for murder in this county and the first in which electrocution was employed for the purpose.

Mr. Mitchell was zealous and influential in advancing the various patriotic activities in Belmont County in the World war period, took part in the drives in support of the Government war loans, was a valued four-minute speaker in such campaigns, and was chairman of the local Red Cross drive. He is a member of the Community Club of St. Clairsville and of the Kiwanis Club at Martins Ferry. He is a past master (1913) of Belmont Lodge No. 16, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and his Masonic affiliations are further extended to St. Clairsville Chapter, No. 17, Royal Arch Masons; Belmont Council, No. 16, Royal and Select Masters, and Hope Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templar. He is affiliated also with the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a director of the Dollar Savings Bank of St. Clairsville, is a staunch advocate of the cause of the republican party, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

At Coshocton, Ohio, on the 10th of September, 1913, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Mitchell and Miss Margaret Secrest, a daughter of Rev. John S. Secrest, who is a distinguished clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Ohio. Mr. Secrest completed a course of study in Scio College, and after his ordination as a clergyman he held pastoral charges in turn at Bridgeport, St. Clairsville, Painesville, Lisbon, Toronto and Coshocton, Ohio. Thereafter he served six years as superintendent of the Barnesville district of the Northeastern Ohio Conference, and nine years as superintendent at Akron, his service as superintendent having exceeded in duration that of any other incumbent of such office in the Methodist Conference of Northeastern Ohio. Mr. Secrest still resides in the City of Akron, is president of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Home for the Aged, Cincinnati, and of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Children's Home at Worthington, Ohio. Mrs. Mitchell is a popular figure in the representative social, cultural and musical circles of her home community, is active in church work, and is a director of the Young Women's Christian Association in the City of Wheeling, West Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell have one son, John Secrest Mitchell.

Col. Tileston F. Spangler. A man of wealth and great business prestige in Southeastern Ohio, Colonel Spangler is the second oldest attorney of Muskingum County. Has been a member of the Zanesville bar for half a century, and both through the means at his own command and through his influence as a banker and citizen he has been responsible for much of Zanesville's growth and development as a beautiful Ohio city and commercial center.

Colonel Spangler was born at Zanesville, March 28, 1849, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Tarrance) Spangler. His parents were natives of Muskingum County. His grandfather, Jacob Spangler, and great-grandfather, Mathias Spangler, arrived in Muskingum County in 1808. Jacob was a soldier in the War of 1812. Henry Tarrance, maternal grandfather of Colonel Spangler, was also a veteran of the War of 1812, and was a son of James Tarrance, who came from the North of Ireland shortly after the American Revolution.

Tileston F. Spangler grew up at Zanesville, graduating from the high school in 1867. For two years he taught school. In 1870 he began the reading of law in the office of A. W. Train, one of the foremost attorneys of his day in Ohio. Colonel Spangler was admitted to the bar in 1873, and while always an attorney in good standing at the Zanesville bar, most of his years have been spent in the real estate and banking business. In 1880 he took up real estate as a business, becoming secretary and attorney for the Homestead Building & Savings Association, of which he is still secretary and manager. From 1873 to 1883 he was secretary of the Muskingum County Fair Association. The Spangler Realty Company, of which he is president, has developed some of the finest residential districts of Zanesville, including Fair Oaks, Brighton and Maplewood, also Norwood and Bellevue Terrace. In May, 1900, Colonel Spangler helped organize the Guardian Trust & Safe Deposit Company, serving as vice president and general manager and now as president. On November 1, 1889, he and William J. Atwell organized the Peoples Savings Bank, of which he is president. This bank has the finest office building in Zanesville. In 1923 Colonel Spangler was honored with the office of vice president for Ohio, savings bank division, of the American Bankers Association. He is president of the Muskingum County Building Association League, and has been president of the Muskingum County Bankers Association, and is financially connected with a number of local business organizations.

Colonel Spangler has served with the rank of colonel on the staff of two governors, on the staff of Governor Hoadley in 1883, and on that of Governor James E. Campbell in 1889. He is an elder in the Putnam Presbyterian Church, and is prominent both in the Masonic and Odd Fellows fraternities. He has been a member of Mechanics Lodge No. 28, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, since 1870. In 1908 he was given the supreme honorary thirty-third degree in Scottish Rite Masonry. He is affiliated with Amity Lodge No. 5, Free and Accepted Masons, Zanesville Chapter No. 9, Royal Arch Masons, Cyrene Commandery No. 10, Knight Templar, of which he is past eminent commander, Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite and the Mystic Shrine. He is former president of the Ohio Canal Association. While this record shows that he has been a very successful business man, Colonel Spangler's interests are not altogether confined to his business and his profession. He has a mind cultivated by study and a great deal of travel. Motoring and railway travel in the United States and foreign countries are his favorite diversions. He has long been a student of local history, and has collected a great deal of data on Muskingum County, especially genealogical material, and has prepared various papers for the local pioneer society, including one on colonization in the Ohio Valley. He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and the War of 1812.

As a citizen his outstanding definite interest and field of achievement has been in the line of making Zanesville a beautiful place in which to live and work. On the banks of the Muskingum River, on Muskingum Avenue, directly in front of his home, he created a beautiful park, the pioneer in Zanesville's splendid park systems. He has been primarily responsible for the development of park and play grounds in Zanesville. He was appointed a member of the first city park commission, September 26, 1912, and has served continuously as president of that organization. He has been responsible for converting a number of rubbish heaps into beauty spots. During the last twelve years the park commission has made forty acres into public parks, including Fair Oaks Park, Jewett Park, Muskingum Parkway, Putnam Hill Park, McIntire Park, and Pioneer Park. The fair grounds, leased to the city for forty years, are used by the Fair Association for their purpose only one week, and the remainder of the year the grounds are for park and play grounds. Pioneer Park, with its beautiful hill drives, has in it a log cabin, moved in from the country seven miles away, and one of the first log houses built in the county, more than a hundred years old. Colonel Spangler was an active member of the Board of Trade and in later years, the Chamber of Commerce.

In 1875, in New York City, he married Miss Mary S. Cox, daughter of Ezekiel T. Cox and sister of Hon. S. S. Cox of New York City. By his first marriage Colonel Spangler has two living children: Arthur Cox Spangler, an official in the Peoples Savings Bank of Zanesville; and Helen S., wife of Walter C. Garges, of Medina, Ohio.

Colonel Spangler married for his second wife Mary H. Buckingham Greene, a member of the distinguished Buckingham family of Muskingum County. Her father was James Buckingham, who was born in Zanesville, October 22, 1831, and died in 1909. The Buckinghams on coming to Ohio first settled near Coshocton, in 1799, in 1803 moved to Athens County, and in 1804 settled in Putnam in Muskingum County. James Buckingham was educated at Marietta and at Brown University at Providence, Rhode Island, was a soldier in Company A of the One Hundred Fifty-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry during the Civil war, and subsequently for many years was owner and manager of extensive farming, real estate, banking and manufacturing interests. He was president of the Zanesville & Ohio Railroad, was one of the organizers of the Peoples Savings Bank, and from 1865 to 1873 was a director of the Ohio State Agricultural Society. His wife was Jane P. Wills, of Chillicothe, Ohio. Mrs. Spangler for a number of years has been one of the leaders in church and social circles at Zanesville.

D. Allen Bond, who is engaged in the practice of law at Saint Clairsville, as one of the representative members of the bar of his native county, is serving as city attarney and is a former representative of Belmont County in the Ohio Legislature.

Mr. Bond was born at Morristown, Belmont County, on the 17th of December, 1887, a son of John Adams Bond and Mary (Nichols) Bond, the former of whom likewise was born at Morristown and the latter of whom was born at Laferty, this county. The parents are still residents of Belmont County, and the father, now seventy-four years of age (1924), is one of the extensive and pioneer dairy farmers of the county, he having been one of the introducers of high-grade Jersey cattle into this section of the state. He served eighteen years as county surveyor, is a republican in politics, and has long been one of the progressive and influential citizens of his native county.

After having profited by the advantages of the public schools of Morristown D. Allen Bond entered the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and in this institution he was graduated in 1912, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. He had simultaneously

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pursued a course in the law department of the university, and the year 1912 marked likewise his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws. At the university he became affiliated with the Theta Lambda Pi fraternity. Upon his admission to the bar Mr. Bond opened an office in Saint Clairsville, the county seat, and here he has since been engaged in successful practice, in which he specializes in municipal law. In 1919 he became village solicitor of Flushing, this county, and he retained this position at the opening of the year 1924, besides which he has been solicitor of the village of Belmont since 1922, and city solicitor of Saint Clairsville since the early part of the year 1923. He has incidentally revised the municipal ordinances of each of these towns.

Mr. Bond has been a resourceful figure in the local councils and campaign activities of the republican party, and in 1918 he was elected representative of Belmont County in the Ohio Legislature. He served effectively during the sessions of 1919 and 1920, was made chairman of the house committee on mines and mining, besides being assigned also to the committees on judiciary, codes, courts and procedure, and universities and colleges. In 1920 he was reelected, and in the Eighty-fourth General Assembly of the Legislature he served as a member of the appropriation and finance committee, of which he was the youngest member, and of the building and loan committee and the committee on colleges and universities. Mr. Bond was the author and the effective champion of a bill for the regulation of the period of livestock detention on railroad cars, a measure introduced at the solicitation of the Farm Bureau, and he made a vigorous fight for the enactment of the bill, which was duly passed. He introduced also a bill for increasing the salaries of deputy mine inspectors; a bill for the combining of water and electric plants in cities, presented at the request of citizens of Martins Ferry, Belmont County; and a special bill to provide for the payment of the salaries of under-age school teachers employed in the schools of Belmont County. He was an ardent advocate of the cause of prohibition and that of woman suffrage, in which connection the Ohio Legislature ratified, in the Eighty-fourth General Assembly, both of the amendments to the national constitution. Mr. Bond has been specially active and influential in enforcing prohibition law, and is attorney for the Belmont County Law Enforcement League. He had the distinction of being the first man ever elected to the Legislature from Belmont County on a distinctly "dry" platform. He is a staunch advocate of the principles of the republican party, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Presbyterian Church in Saint Clairsville. He is one of the active members of the progressive local organization known as the Community Club. As city solicitor of Saint Clairsville Mr. Bond prosecuted in the year 1923 more than 400 criminal cases arising out of violations of the liquor laws.

June 26, 1912, recorded the marriage of Mr. Bond and Miss Vincia Frost, daughter of E. P. and Anna (Hill) Frost, of Belmont, Mr. Frost being a retired farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Bond have three children: William, Willis and Mary.

JOHN SALISBURY COCHRAN was admitted to the bar December 3, 1863, and at the same date in 1923, just sixty years later, he formally retired from his profession as a lawyer. His home and the scene of his work for the greater part of his life have been in Belmont County, at Saint Clairsville, and across the river in Wheeling, West Virginia.

Judge Cochran was born in Colerain Township of Belmont County, September 9, 1841, son of Robert and Susana (Davis) Cochran. His grandfather also bore the name of Robert Cochran, and was a pioneer in Eastern Ohio, being a contemporary of the first members of the noted Zane family. Robert Cochran, father of Judge Cochran, was born in 1815, and his wife in 1814. He died in 1863, and his wife in 1893.

Judge Cochran grew up in Belmont County on his father's farm, was educated at Martins Ferry, and on July 16, 1861, at the age of twenty, enlisted in Company K of the Fifteenth Ohio Infantry. He was in active duty for a year, when called home on account of the death of his father. He then engaged in teaching and reading law, and upon his admission to the bar engaged in practice at Saint Clairsville. In 1864 he went to Sedalia, Missouri, and served as prosecuting attorney and judge of the Common Pleas Court of Pettis County, Missouri. That was then a frontier district, and rather turbulent on account of being on the border between the North and the South. In 1876 Judge Cochran returned to Wheeling, and practiced law in that city and in Belmont County until November 4, 1902, when he was elected probate judge of Belmont County. March 22, 1867, he married Martha A. Weldin, a native of Wheeling. They are members of the Presbyterian Church, and Judge Cochran is a staunch republican. His long life has brought him a varied knowledge of the personalities and events of Eaton, Ohio, during the past sixty years. Many of his reminiscences and the fruits of his discriminating study of history he embodied in a book known as "Bonnie Belmont," published in 1907, and said to contain perhaps the most accurate and detailed account of the famous underground railway of abolition times.

JOHN POLLOCK, judge of the Court of Appeals of the Seventh Ohio District, is a distinguished citizen of Saint Clairsville, where he practiced law many years, until elevated to the bench.

He was born at Uniontown, in Belmont County, Ohio, June 30, 1857, son of Robert J. and Mary J. (Rainey) Pollock. His father died at eighty-six and his mother at seventy-six. They were farming people, substantially identified with their community. Judge Pollock spent his early boyhood days on a farm, attended common schools, Franklin College at New Athens, Ohio, and graduated from the law department of Washington and Jefferson College in 1878. He established his office in Saint Clairsville. From 1893 to 1896 he was associated in practice with Senator J. W. Nichols. Judge Pollock was elected in 1906 judge of Common Pleas Court at Belmont County. He was on the Common Pleas bench until December 24, 1910, when he was elected judge of the Court of Appeals of the Seventh District. This district comprises fourteen counties, a large part of Eastern Ohio between Lake Erie and the Ohio River, the counties being Monroe, Noble, Belmont, Guernsey, Harrison, Jefferson, Columbiana, Carroll, Mahoning, Portage, Trumbull, Geauga, Lake and Ashtabula. Judge Pollock since 1918 has served as president of the Saint Clairsville First National Bank. He is a republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

He married at Bloomington, Illinois, Miss Ella Finney. Her father, Josiah Finney, was a soldier in the Civil war, and a woodworker and lumber dealer. Judge and Mrs. Pollock have one son, Harry F.

A. F. BURSON, M. D., since graduating has practiced as a physician and surgeon in Paulding County, in the Village of Oakwood, where he was born and reared and where he continued the prestige of the name Burson in the medical profession, his father having spent many years as a doctor in that county.

He was born at Oakwood, January 14, 1885, son of Dr. H. S. and Sarah E. (Harmon) Burson. There were three generations of the family represented in the medical profession. Dr. H. S. Burson, who was born at Mount Blanchard, in Hancock County, Ohio,

was the son of Dr. A. F. Burson, one of the pioneers of Northern Ohio, who practiced in Hancock County until his death. Dr. H. S. Burson was reared in that county, graduated from the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati, took a course in the Medical Department of the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, and in 1876 began his practice at Oakwood, Paulding County. His professional work was continued there until 1897, when he returned to his old home at Mount Blanchard, where he died in 1900. His wife was born and reared in Paulding County. Of their five children four are living: Jessie, the wife of J. H. Slike, an attorney at Cygnet, Ohio; Dr. A. F.; Georgine, the wife of Prof. G. W. Barnes, of Arcanum, Darke County; Harry, a commercial artist at Cleveland; and John, who died in infancy.

In the public schools of Oakwood, Dr. A. F. Burson continued his studies to the age of twelve, and after that attended school at Mount Blanchard, where he graduated from high school in 1903. He studied two years in Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, and in 1910 graduated from his father's Alma Mater, the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati. Soon after graduating he reestablished his residence in his native Village of Oakwood, where for nearly fifteen years he has continued his practice. He is a member of the Paulding County, Ohio State, Tri-State and American Medical associations. He and his wife are active members of the Episcopal Church, and he has taken an active part in the Sunday school.

During the World war Doctor Burson was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps, being stationed for duty at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia. He is affiliated with the Masonic Fraternity, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Modern Woodmen of America, is a republican and a man of much popularity in social as well as professional circles.

Doctor Burson married Miss Minnie Hornish. She was born in Paulding County, a graduate of the Oakwood High School, and was a teacher five years before her marriage. They have two sons: George L., born June 7, 1912, and Harry, born February 20, 1917.

Clarence Virgil Porterfield, M. D., is engaged in the general practice of his profession at Saint Clairsville, judicial center of Belmont County, and has won status as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of his native county.

On a farm in Richland Township, not far distant from the county seat, Saint Clairsville, Doctor Porterfield was born on the 20th of February, 1888. On the same ancestral farmstead his father, William Dunlap Porterfield, was born in the year 1861, a son of Andrew Porterfield, who was born in 1819 and whose death occurred in 1884. Andrew Porterfield was a son of James Porterfield, who was born in Pennsylvania and who gained pioneer honors in Ohio, he having first settled in Jefferson County and having thence come in an early day to Richland Township, Belmont County, where he reclaimed and developed a productive farm. He was one of the substantial and honored pioneers of this county, and here remained until the close of his life, his son Andrew having likewise upheld the prestige of the family name in connection with civic affairs and constructive farm industry and having remained on the old homestead farm until his death.

William Dunlap Porterfield was reared to the sturdy discipline of the farm, and his early education was gained in the public schools of Belmont County. In 1885 he was graduated from Ohio Northern University at Ada, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science. For six years he continued his effective service as a successful and popular teacher in the school of his home district, and he was for three years a teacher in the village school of Glencoe, Belmont County. He served three years as township trustee. He was made the first township superintendent of schools in Richland Township, and introduced in his native county the system of township organization in connection with schools service. In 1895 Mr. Porterfield became instructor in English and history in Franklin College, and of this position he continued the incumbent until the college building was destroyed by fire in 1901. Thereafter he served until 1913 as the efficient and valued superintendent of the public schools of Saint Clairsville, and in the latter year he became the first cashier of the First National Bank in the Village of Neffs, Belmont County, an executive office of which he has since continued in tenure. For more than twenty years he has been active and influental in the affairs of the Presbyterian Church, of which he and his wife are zealous members, and he gave years of service as a teacher in the Sunday School. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, but he has had no ambition for political preferment. He has served as a member of the Belmont County Board of School Examiners, and he still maintains lively interest in educational affairs in his native county. His father, Andrew Porterfield, likewise was a staunch republican, and was an earnest member of the Presbyterian Church, besides having been affiliated with the Masonic fraternity. Andrew Porterfield married Miss Elizabeth Adeline Glasgow, who was born in Richland Township, Belmont County, in 1837, her father, a native of Ireland and a man of superior education, having settled in Belmont County in 1825 and having been one of the popular teachers in the pioneer schools of this section of Ohio.

In 1886 was solemnized the marriage of William D. Porterfield and Miss Myrtle E. Bear, who was born near Dayton, this state, and of their children two sons are living at the time of this writing, in the winter of 1923-24.

Dr. Clarence V. Porterfield profited by the advantages of the public schools of Saint Clairsville, including the high school, and thereafter he pursued a higher academic course by attending Westminster College. He was prominent in the athletic affairs of this college as a member of the football and track teams. In preparation for the work of his chosen profession he entered famous old Starling, Ohio, Medical College, in the City of Columbus, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1913. He was there affiliated with the Alpha Mu Pi Omega medical college fraternity, and in his senior year he served as house physician in Mercy Hospital at Columbus and also at the Ohio State Penitentiary.

After receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine Doctor Porterfield established himself in practice at Neffs, Belmont County, where he remained until 1917, since which year he has maintained his home and professional headquarters at Saint Clairsville, the county seat. The doctor is an active member of the Belmont County Medical Society, besides being affiliated with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He insistently keeps in touch with the advances made in medical and surgical science, and to compass this end he has recourse every two years to effective post-graduate work in leading medical schools and hospitals. Doctor Porterfield is aligned loyally in the ranks of the republican party, he and his wife hold membership in the Presbyterian Church, and he is affiliated with the local Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery of the Masonic fraternity, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is serving in 1924 as a member of the Saint Clairsville Board of Education.

John G. Fergus

On the 30th of December, 1913, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Porterfield and Miss Gertrude L. Carlisle, daughter of John and Eugenia (Jonston) Carlisle, her father being engaged in the retail lumber business in Belmont County and her mother being a sister of the late Benjamin R. Johnston, of whom mention is made on other pages of this work. Doctor and Mrs. Porterfield have two sons, Robert Allen and David Ormond.

John Downing Hays, state senator, coal operator, and long and favorably known in the agricultural and industrial affairs of Belmont County, was born in Wheeling Township of that county, January 25, 1857.

His father, Henderson Hays, was born in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, March 29, 1821, and spent his active years as a farmer in Belmont County, where he died January 1, 1890. His wife, Catherine Downing, was born March 21, 1827, and died February 22, 1906. Senator Hays was educated in the public schools of his native township and in Franklin College, New Athens, Ohio, and for forty years or more was in close touch with the agricultural industry of the county. He gave his personal supervision to his farming interests until 1894, and had farms under his ownership or management until 1919. In 1894 he was made deputy county treasurer, and in 1901 was nominated by acclamation and elected county treasurer, filling that office for two terms.

For a number of years he has been engaged in the coal business, being a member of the Belmont Collieries Company and the Maher Collieries Company. He is a director of the Second National Bank. He is a Presbyterian, has served on the Board of Sessions of the church, and is superintendent of the Sunday school. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, and Council at Saint Clairsville, and Hope Commandery of the Knights Templar. In 1914 and 1915 and again in 1917-18 he represented Belmont County in the Lower House of the Legislature. In 1920 he was elected to the Senate as a representative of the Twentieth and Twenty-second districts, comprising Belmont, Harrison, Jefferson and Columbiana counties, and in 1922 was reelected. In the Legislature he has been much consulted, and has wielded an important influence in legislature pertaining to agriculture, mining and banking.

Shuler and Benninghofen. One of the oldest business firms continuously under the same title in Ohio is that of Shuler and Benninghofen at Hamilton, proprietors of the Miami Woolen Mills, manufacturers of blankets and one of the larger industries in the United States manufacturing paper makers' felts.

The industry is now more than seventy years old, and for most of that time has been conducted by the firm of Shuler and Benninghofen. The woolen mills were originally established in 1853 by August Breitenbach, Asa Shuler and Robert Christie. In 1858 Asa Shuler and John W. Benninghofen acquired the business and created the firm of Shuler and Benninghofen. The sons of these original proprietors now continue the business under the old name. A new mill was erected in 1862, and a prosperous business was carried on until the fall of 1865, when the plant was destroyed by fire. Early the next year a new building was completed.

The first output of the plant was woolen blankets, yarns, jeans, satinets and other cloths, and in 1864 the firm began the manufacture of felt for use on paper making machinery. In 1866 the plant turned out the first endless felt, by joining the ends, the earlier product having been in piece form. This is a special product, requiring special machinery of larger dimensions than that usually found in woolen mills. Some of this special machinery was purchased in Europe, and the plant now has facilities for the manufacture of felts of any width required, and many of the styles of felts made are now woven seamless width.

In 1894 the firm moved to a new and specially constructed plant at Lindenwald, which was enlarged from time to time, the latest addition being a three-story concrete building, 293 by 84 feet, erected during 1921-22, in which much new machinery was placed driven by electric power. The firm now operates what is known as an eleven set mill—eleven cards and eleven mules, with a full equipment of warping, weaving and finishing machinery. The firm employs over three hundred hands, and in addition to paper makers' felt the output comprises a large and important line of bed blankets, crib blankets, Jacquard wrapper blankets, Indian and Chinese blankets and shawls. A large export business has been built up

John W. Benninghofen, one of the original partners, died in 1881, and his successors are his sons C. and P. Benninghofen. Asa Shuler, the surviving original partner, died in 1895 and was succeeded by his sons C. A. and W. B. Shuler. These four men are now the sole owners of this properous business.

Mr. C. Benninghofen is also a partner in Krauth and Benninghofen, manufacturers of music stands, autographic registers and printing presses. This latter partnership was formed in 1884, and since the death of Mr. Albert Krauth in 1918 his daughter and son-in-law, Eleonore Diesbach and F. G. Diesbach, succeeded to his interest.

C. and P. Benninghofen and Ellis S. Rump are partners in the Hamilton Autographic Register Company, a business that was first started by George W. Hughes, James Jackson, C. and P. Benninghofen, and the National Autographic Register Company of New York. With the removal of Mr. Hughes to St. Paul, Minnesota, his interest was purchased by C. and P. Benninghofen, who later on also acquired the interests of James Jackson and of the National Autographic Register Company. C. and P. Benninghofen were sole owners until January 1, 1919, when they sold an interest in the firm to the general manager, Ellis S. Rump. The output serves to increase the fame of Hamilton as a manufacturing center, including the Hamilton Satisfactory Systems, consisting of autographic registers, typewriter attachments, roll printed and blank forms, and other stationery supplies, including binders, holders, carbon paper, files, etc.

John F. Fergus is president of and attorney for the Park Savings Company, one of the oldest and most substantial building and loan associations in Columbus. Mr. Fergus is dean of the building and loan officials in Columbus, having been connected with the Park Savings Company in an official capacity for more than a quarter of a century. Because of his long experience in this branch of financial work, he is considered an authority in this state on building and loan matters.

Through his own personal efforts Mr. Fergus has been instrumental in building up a financial institution with assets in excess of $3,000,000 and serving nearly 10,000 people. During the quarter of a century that Mr. Fergus has been prominently connected with the Park Savings Company not a single depositor has ever lost a penny, nor has a stockholder missed a dividend.

Mr. Fergus is a member of the executive committee of the Ohio Building Association League, one of the highest positions in the gift of Ohio building and loan men. He also is president of the Columbus League of Building and Loan associations, an organ-

ization comprising some twenty building and loan companies, with assets in excess of $60,000,000.

In addition to his activities in the interest of building and loan associations Mr. Fergus has for years been active in the civic welfare work of Columbus. He is a member of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, a past president and active worker for the North Side Commercial Club and has taken an important part in practically every civic endeavor of any importance.

Mr. Fergus comes from a prominent Ohio family and was born in Miami County, March 8, 1863. His grandfather was Gen. James Fergus, who came from Virginia to Ohio in 1807, and who was a man of much prominence among the early pioneers of the state. He was county commissioner, and served in the Ohio General Assembly in 1825 and 1826. His death occurred at the age of seventy-two. His son, John Shannon Fergus, was born in 1819, and most of his life was spent as an agriculturist, in which line of work he attained considerable distinction. He died at the age of sixty-nine.

John F. Fergus had the benefit of the stimulating influence of early life on a farm. He taught school, attended Ohio State University and graduated as a member of the first law class, in 1892. After leaving college Mr. Fergus engaged in the practice of law in the north end, or university section, of Columbus, which profession he actively followed until 1898, when he became secretary and attorney of the Park Savings Company, and since that time he has devoted most of his efforts to the management of that institution.

When Mr. Fergus entered the Park Savings Company it had been in operation for eight years and had resources of about $100,000. During the past quarter of a century, under the guiding hand of Mr. Fergus, this company has become one of the most progressive and one of the most substantial building and loan associations in Ohio. In addition to performing a real service in affording the people of Columbus a place in which to save safely, Mr. Fergus, through the Park Savings Company, had been enabled to build homes for hundreds of people on the North Side, adding not only to the material welfare of the individuals, but to that of the city as a whole.

Mr. Fergus is a thirty-second degree Mason, and for twenty years has been treasurer of King Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church. He first married Ella May Addison, who died in 1915. She was the mother of five children: Sue F., wife of Wallace H. Cumberland; Corwin Addison, a realtor; Edward S., a building contractor; Mary Frances, wife of Dr. H. L. Dute, and Carl Franklin, a student in Miami University. Mr. Fergus' present wife was Mary Frances Black, of New Carlisle, Ohio.

Mrs. Hattie S. James. As librarian of the Lane Public Library of Hamilton Mrs. James has done much to broaden the service and improve the facilities of this institution. Her work at the library covers a period of a score of years, first as assistant and for past eleven years as librarian.

She was born at Hamilton in Butler County, daughter of Joseph C. and Martha (Smith) Symmes. She was reared and educated at Hamilton, and in 1894 became the wife of Clement V. James. At his death she was left with the care of three young children. In December, 1903, she began her duties as assistant librarian of the Lane Public Library, and in 1912 was promoted to librarian.

Clement V. James was well known in business circles in Southern Ohio. He was born in Hamilton, April 28, 1871, son of Barton and Mary J. (Longfellow) James, and a grandson of John Longfellow, one of the pioneer settlers of Butler County. Barton James was a famer in early years, and after moving to Hamilton engaged in the drug business and in 1878 was elected clerk of the Common Pleas Court, serving in that office from February, 1879, until his death. A liberal education acquired in the public schools of Hamilton and at Miami University prepared Clement V. James for a business career. For eight years he was cost clerk with the Niles Tool Works and then became traveling representative of the Foundry Supply Company of Pittsburgh.

Mrs. James is the mother of three children, Laird, Evelyn and Temple. Both sons made records as soldiers in the World war. Laird is a graduate of the Hamilton High School, and was in the offices of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton and the Baltimore & Ohio railroads until March, 1918, when he went into training with the Coast Artillery Corps at Fortress Monroe, Virginia. He was made corporal and later supply sergeant, and received his honorable discharge in February, 1919. He then became an employe of the American Wire and Steel Company.

Temple James, the second son, after leaving public schools learned the machinists' trade, and was with the Niles Tool Works until July, 1917. At that date he enlisted and was trained with the field artillery at Camp Sheridan, Alabama, and while there was promoted to corporal. June, 1918, he went to France, and saw active service in the Meuse-Argonne campaign and in the Marbach sector. He received his honorable discharge at Camp Sherman, March 10, 1919, and then resumed work at his trade. He married Mildred Chadwick, daughter of Capt. Harry R. and Grace (Flenner) Chadwick. The only daughter of Mrs. James married Leon J. Ziliox, a Hamilton attorney.

Homer Gard, of Hamilton, is a veteran newspaper man of a third of a century's experience. In Ohio newspaper circles he has the reputation of being a man who has developed several newspapers and put them on a profitable basis. Through nearly all his career as a journalist he has been a prominent and influential factor in democratic politics.

Mr. Gard was born January 9, 1866. His father, Hon. S. Z. Gard, served as prosecuting attorney of Butler County from 1862 to 1866, and was one of the leading lawyers of Southern Ohio. Homer Gard graduated from the Hamilton High School with the class of 1884. He followed that with a three years' course in Amherst College in Massachusetts. His first work in newspaperdom was performed as a reporter on the Daily News. In 1890 he became reporter for the Daily Democrat, and on January 1, 1891, was advanced to the position of editor and business manager. In that capacity he instituted reforms and made the paper a success financially and a power for the democratic party in Butler County. In accord with his management the paper was sold to a syndicate for $38,000, an increase of $24,000 over the original purchase price.

In January, 1895, Mr. Gard purchased a controlling interest in the News-Democrat of Canton, Ohio. After having more than doubled that paper's circulation he sold his interests thirteen months later and, returning to Hamilton in 1896, became managing editor of the Daily News. He held that position about seven years. In 1903 Mr. Gard bought the Evening Democrat, becoming president of the company which is now known as the Journal Publishing Company. The company also publishes the Butler County Democrat, one of the oldest papers in Ohio, founded more than a century ago.

Mr. Gard in 1903 was appointed city clerk of Hamilton, and served two years in that office. He was postmaster of the City of Hamilton throughout the eight years of President Wilson's administra-

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tion. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and belongs to the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Gard is a member of the board of trustees of the Children's Home Association of Hamilton. Her maiden name was Lutie Matthias, of Hamilton. They were married June 1, 1892. Their only child, Charles Campbell Gard, was born January 13, 1895, and was one of the Americans who gave up their lives as a result of service during the World war. He was educated in the Hamilton High School, in Amherst College in Massachusetts, and took a course in journalism at the University of Wisconsin. He was in newspaper work until the beginning of the World war. He joined the Aviation Corps, and as adjutant of the One Hundred and Eighty-sixth Aerial Squadron was in France during the latter part of the war. After the armistice he was a member of the flying squadron which dropped flowers on President Wilson on his arrival in France. Subsequently, while still abroad, his plane fell and he received injuries from which he never recovered. He died October 25, 1921.

Edward Everett Brown, D. O., is one of the prominent professional men of the City of Hamilton, and for many years has specialized in the branch of optometry pertaining to the eye.

He was born at Bemus Point, New York, January 1, 1870, son of Romantus Brown, of Bemus Point. He acquired his early education in the public schools of Jamestown, New York, and in 1902 graduated from the Northern Illinois College of Ophthalmology and Otology. After some years of practice he attended the Needles Institute of Optometry, graduating with the degree Doctor of Optometry in 1920. He took the standard examination under the Ohio law and was licensed to practice as an optometrist on January 1, 1922. Doctor Brown has on the first floor of the Beeler Building at Hamilton four rooms equipped with all the instruments of precision and other appliances used in his profession.

In November, 1912, he married Miss Martha G. Francis, of Middletown, Ohio, daughter of Benjamin Francis. She is a graduate of the Hamilton High School. Doctor Brown is a member of the Butler County, Ohio State and National Optometrical societies, and attends all the state and national meetings.

Henry Lee Good, M. D. A physician whose name has been identified with the profession at Hamilton for the past thirteen years is Henry Lee Good, a native of Hamilton, and who represents a family that has been prominent in the professional life of the city for many years. His grandfather, Henry Good, settled in Butler County in 1816. Arthur T. Good, his father, who died February 17, 1921, was a dentist by profession, and practiced over forty years. He was born March 20, 1849, was educated in Antioch and Otterbein colleges, and in 1874 entered the Ohio College of Dental Surgery, where he was graduated with the Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 1876. In the same year he located in Hamilton, and in addition to handling his private practice he interested himself in the advancement of his profession. He was a member of the Mississippi Valley Dental societies.

On September 14, 1875, Dr. Arthur T. Good married Miss Emma Jane Beal, of Westerville, Ohio. They had been students together in Otterbein College. Her parents were John and Jane (Budd) Beal. Mrs. Arthur T. Good died September 19, 1921. There were two children, Dr. Henry Lee Good and Jane Marie Good. The daughter was educated in the Hamilton High School, is a graduate of the musical department of Wooster College, and also is a graduate Bachelor of Arts of the Western College for Women, at Oxford, Ohio. In 1923 she was married to Dr. E. C. Sill, of Hamilton, Ohio.

Dr. Henry Lee Good was born April 22, 1880, was educated in Hamilton High School and also attended Wooster College at Wooster, Ohio, where he was graduated Bachelor of Surgery in 1901. Doctor Good pursued the study of medicine at Pulte Medical College at Cincinnati, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1907. After graduating he served two years as an interne at Bethesda Hospital in Cincinnati, and spent one year in the Cumberland Street Hospital in Brooklyn, New York. With this training experience he engaged in the work of his profession at Hamilton in 1910, and has handled an extensive general practice since that time. He is a member of the Butler County Medical Society, the Ohio State and American Medical associations, belongs to the Cincinnati Homeopathic Lyceum, the Ohio State Homeopathic Society, the American Institute of Homeopathy.

When America entered the World war Doctor Good immediately volunteered his services, and was given a commission in the Medical Reserve Corps, but owing to his duties as a medical member of the local draft board he was not called to camp until ten days before the armistice. At Hamilton he was a member of the Liberty Loan, Young Men's Christian Association and Red Cross drives.

Doctor Good is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, is a charter member of the Hamilton Rotary Club, belongs to the Ohio State Archæological and Historical Society, the Hamilton Club, and the Butler County Country Club. His church affiliations are with the First Presbyterian Church of Hamilton.

Charles S. Rose made a fortunate choice of business affiliations before he had reached his majority. He went to work for the contracting firm of Robert H. Evans & Company and has been with that business, a member of the firm for a number of years, and has charge of the Columbus offices.

This business was founded nearly seventy years ago, and only a few changes have been made in the management during the past forty-five years. It is without exception the oldest contracting firm in Ohio. In extent of its business it ranks easily among the largest in the Middle West. The business was founded in Zanesville and that city still remains the home office. However for some years most of the large contracts have been handled out of the Columbus office.

Robert H. Evans & Company does every class of heavy building construction, specializing in reinforced concrete. This firm had the contract for the erection of the McKinley High School and the John Layman High School, both in the city of Canton. Their business in Columbus has greatly increased in recent years. The first work the firm did there was nearly half a century ago in the construction of the Green-Joyce Building. Some of the more recent contracts in capital cities are the new shop building for the Jeffrey Manufacturing Company, the plants of the Central Ohio Paper Company and the G. Edwin Smith Shoe Company, the Third Avenue Bridge, the Central High School and the North High School Building, the Belle Street plant of the Godman Shoe Company, the Nurses Home at Grant Hospital, the plant of the Creith Lumber Company, the new Young Men's Christian Association Building, Pomerene Hall at Ohio State University, the new buildings of the veterinary department at the University. In 1923 the company had the contract for the construction of the new Timken industrial plant at Canton, the new High School at Coshocton, and the Bell Telephone

Building at Massillon. This company has taken many large contracts for construction work for the Pennsylvania Railroad in Ohio and Indiana.

The engineering and other departments of the firm are thoroughly organized and men of expert experience are in charge of all the branches. The company has a large sum of money invested in mechanical equipment and it has been a part of their reputation that the most advanced methods of business efficiency in the building arts are demonstrated in the various crews and outfits that handle the contracts. Their work in its entirety has covered all phases of construction, including courthouses, churches, hotels, clubs, manufacturing plants, office buildings, sewage disposal plants and bridges. The record of the business is one of continuous, steady growth from year to year. It is also remarkable that in all the years they have been in business they have never had a structural failure, and have constantly adhered to the ideals of commercial integrity and service.

Charles S. Rose, who has the active management of the Columbus offices of the firm, was born at Massillon, Stark County, in 1878, son of William H. and Sarah (Lichtenwalter) Rose, also natives of Ohio. He is a graduate of the Massillon Public Schools, Massillon Actual Business College and Commercial Law Schools and soon afterward accepted a position as office manager of the firm of Robert H. Evans & Company, general contractors and engineers, with headquarters at Zanesville. He went to work for the firm while it was handling a contract at Massillon. Later he was with them at Cleveland, and since 1905 has been in Columbus, as the executive in charge of the Columbus office. Since the death of the senior Mr. Evans the firm has been Robert H. Evans & Company, the three partners being Robert H. and Elmer A. Evans of Zanesville and Mr. Rose of Columbus.

As a Columbus citizen Mr. Rose has been active in civic as well as business affairs. He is a member of the Columbus Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Columbus Country Club, Columbus Athletic Club, Old Colony Club, Automobile Club, and is a Knight Templar Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a Grotto Mason and a member of the Elks. He married Miss Pearletta A. Snyder. They have one son, Gordon Snyder Rose.

Frank J. J. Sloat, of Hamilton, is one of Ohio's most widely experienced men in public utility management and operation. For a number of years he was identified with the management of electric railways and other public service corporations. In recent years he has given most of his time to coal, oil and gas as a developer and operator.

Mr. Sloat, who is president of the Sloat-Darragh Coal Company of Hamilton, was born at Sandusky, Ohio, September 19, 1870, son of Gregory and Theresa Sloat. He was educated in the public schools of his native city, and acquired his first experience there with the electric lighting corporation. From 1892 to 1895 he was superintendent of the Sandusky Street Railway Company, resigning to become manager of the Akron, Bedford & Cleveland Railroad Company, with offices in Akron. He held that position from 1895 to 1898, and in the latter year was elected general manager of the Hamilton Electric Railway Company and its consolidated properties, known as the Cincinnati, Dayton & Toledo Traction Company, a transportation system which is now the Ohio Electric Railway Company. Mr. Sloat was manager of these properties for twelve years.

In 1909, with his family, he moved to California to look after mining interests, and lived at Los Angeles, Nevada City and Morgan Hill, returning to Hamilton in 1916. Here he became president of the Hamilton Ice & Cold Storage Company, and is still the active head of that corporation. In 1917 he and C. E. Darragh organized the Sloat-Darragh Coal Company, of which he is president and Mr. Darragh, secretary and treasurer. This company manages coal mines, and also maintains sales agencies for the distribution of their output. More recently Mr. Sloat organized among some Hamilton business men a corporation known as the La Darr Oil & Gas Company, of which he is vice president. This company, with Hamilton capital, was formed to prospect for gas and oil in Butler County. The three wells drilled up to this time, West of Darrtown in Butler County, have a low pressure flow of gas at the rate of 600,000 cubic feet. This is the largest flow of gas ever found in the county.

For three years, including the World war period, Mr. Sloat served as director of public service at Hamilton, being appointed by a democratic mayor, though himself a republican. He resigned at the close of the war, a year before his term expired. He is a Mason and Shriner, a member of the Hamilton Business Club, the Butler County Country Club, and has a very extensive range of business and social acquaintances all over the country.

Mr. Sloat married in 1899 Miss Mathilda Bender, of Hamilton, daughter of John and Lena Bender. Her father was one of the Bender Brothers Company, one of the most widely known building contracting firms in Southwestern Ohio. Mrs. Sloat finished her education in the Hamilton High School, and is a member and former vice president of the Woman's Club of Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. Sloat have two sons. John Gregory, born in 1901, graduated from the Hamilton High School, spent three years in Dartmouth College, New Hampshire, and recently graduated from Miami University at Oxford, Ohio. The second son, Joseph Jay, born in 1903, is a graduate of the Hamilton High School and now attending Miami University.

Richard S. Radcliffe was the founder and for thirty years has been the active head of the drug business at Hamilton conducted by Radcliffe Brothers. His brother, of Cincinnati, was financially interested in the business from the start, but the management and control has developed upon Richard S. Radcliffe, a practical pharmacist and a business man who has built up an enterprise of his own and whose judgment and cooperation have been sought by various financial and civic institutions and organizations in Hamilton.

Mr. Radcliffe was born at Arlington, Alabama, August 3, 1874, son of Leonard and Elizabeth Radcliffe. His father was a native of Charleston, South Carolina, and spent his active career at Arlington, Alabama, where he was a cotton grower and commission merchant. The mother was a Virginian. Richard S. was the younger of the two children. His brother, W. J. Radcliffe, became president of the E. A. Kinsey Company of Cincinnati.

On June 6, 1893, when he was only nineteen years old, Richard S. Radcliffe started the business now known as Radcliffe Brothers. His first store was at Third and Dayton streets, and in 1911 the firm moved to Second and High streets. The building there was later replaced by the Rentschler Building, where Radcliffe Brothers have one of the finest equipped and stocked drug stores in Southern Ohio. The firm suffered heavily in the flood of 1913, but the prestige of the concern was unimpaired.

Mr. Richard S. Radcliffe is also a director of the Dime Savings Bank of Hamilton, and is a director of the Hamilton Gravel Company. As a public spirited citizen of Hamilton he is serving as president

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of the Board of Sinking Fund Trustees, and is president of the Butler County Country Club, a director of the Hamilton Club, and a director of the Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally he is a member of the Masons, Elks and Knights of Pythias. Mr. Radcliffe married at Toronto, Canada, in 1903, Miss Edith C. Keighley. She was born and reared in Toronto. They have two children, Betty, born in 1907, and George, born in 1909. Mr. Radcliffe and family were guests at the Wa Wa Hotel, Lake of Bays, Canada, on a summer vacation when that noted resort hotel was destroyed by fire August 19, 1923. They fortunately escaped injury, though nine other guests were burned to death.

Wilbur B. Caldwell, D. D. S., has practiced dentistry at Hamilton for a quarter of a century, and the profession at large recognizes him as one of the most skilled and advanced workers in the field of dental surgery.

He was born in Butler County, March 11, 1875, son of John R. and Mary C. Caldwell and a grandson of the late George R. Caldwell. He acquired his early education in public schools, and then entered the Ohio College of Dental Surgery at Cincinnati, where he was graduated with the class of 1898. Following his graduation Doctor Caldwell practiced for twenty-one years at Hamilton, handling the regular routine of a general practitioner in dentistry. Since that time, however, he has specialized and largely confined his work to prosthetic dentistry. He is a member of the State and American Dental associations. He is an elder in the United Presbyterian Church of Hamilton.

In 1902 Doctor Caldwell married Miss Mary E. Stetzel, daughter of John and Ellen Stetzel, of Butler County. They have one daughter, Eleanor N., born in 1906, now a junior in the Hamilton High School.

Howard R. Wolf, who is a Doctor of Dental Surgery, is a well known specialist at Hamilton, confining his work to oral surgery and X-ray diagnosis.

Doctor Wolf was born at Circleville, Ohio, December 10, 1883, son of Christopher Wolf, a business man of that Ohio city. Howard R. Wolf was reared and educated at Circleville, attended public school, and in 1906 graduated from Ohio State University. He took special courses in oral surgery and X-ray at Columbus and also at Cincinnati. In the Rentschler Building at Hamilton he has a suite of rooms equipped with all the modern appliances for his work as an oral surgeon and in X-ray examination.

Doctor Wolf is a member of the State and National Associations of Oral Surgeons, and the Butler County, Ohio State and National Dental societies, and is a frequent attendant at the meetings of these professional bodies. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity and the Rotary Club of Hamilton.

May 16, 1914, Doctor Wolf married Miss Josephine Dietz, of Hamilton County, Ohio.

Elmore J. Frechtling. While one of the younger business men of Hamilton, Elmore J. Frechtling is head or otherwise officially connected with business enterprises of great scope and magnitude. His business offices comprise an extensive suite in the Rentschler Building. Among others he is president of the E. J. Frechtling Coal Company and proprietor of the E. J. Frechtling Insurange Agency.

He was born at Hamilton, August 23, 1886, son of Henry and Mary E. (Hartman) Frechtling. Henry Frechtling, Jr., as his father was known, was one of the prominent merchants of Hamilton for many years, until his death.

Elmore J. Frechtling acquired his early education at Hamilton, attending high school, and had an extensive training working for others before he went into business on his own account. He spent two years with the Niles Tool Works Company, and two years in his father's department store. He then established the E. J. Frechtling Insurance Agency, and this has developed until it is now the largest general insurance agency in Hamilton. The agency writes fire, life, accident, casualty and indemnity, and represents such companies as Glens Falls, Hartford, American, Aetna, Rhode Island, Security of New Haven, National Union of Pittsburgh, American Eagle, Mechanics & Traders, Norwich Union, Phoenix of England, Fidelity & Casualty of New York, Travelers of Hartford and many others. Part of the business of this agency is coal mine insurance in West Virginia.

In 1921 Mr. Frechtling organized and had incorporated the E. J. Frechtling Coal Company, with a capital stock of $50,000. The company now has invested assets of $250,000, and does an extensive wholesale and retail business. Their three retail yards comprise one at Franklin and the Belt Line, one at High Street and the Baltimore & Ohio Railway in Hamilton, and one at Woodlawn and the Big Four Railway at Middletown. The company is also the wholesale representative of the output of the Main Island Creek Coal Company of West Virginia. This company has recently constructed a large plant at Hamilton and another at Middletown to handle building material and supplies. Mr. Frechtling is president; Guy C. Mitchell, vice president; Brandon Milliken, secretary, and E. J. Frechtling, treasurer of the corporation.

Mr. Frechtling is also a director of the Valley Mortgage Company, is vice president of the Ray Shipman Company, and vice president of the Hamilton Gravel Company. During the World war he handled all the negotiations without charge to supply coal for manufacturing plants in Butler County. He was a leader in the Liberty Loan drive, the Red Cross and Young Men's Christian Association campaigns. He is treasurer of the Hamilton Young Men's Christian Association.

He also belongs to the Business Men's Club of Cincinnati, the Hamilton Club, the Butler County Country Club, the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, the Middletown Civic Association, Rotary Club and the Presbyterian Church. In 1907 he married Miss Carrie Dick, daughter of D. Frank and Lou (Beal) Dick, of Hamilton. She finished her education in the Hamilton High School and the Oxford College for Women. Mr. and Mrs. Frechtling have one son, David Dick, born in 1909, now a student in the Hamilton High School.

Harvey G. Price. The marvelous development of the building industry has brought into being many new concerns connected with its different phases, which are owned and operated by men of excellent business acumen and broad vision, and one of them which has made mighty strides forward during the comparatively short period of its existence is the Cast Stone Company, of which Harvey G. Price is sole owner. This company manufactures artificial stone for all building purposes, and it has become one of the leading industries of Columbus.

Harvey G. Price was born in Jackson Township, Union County, Ohio, in 1884, a son of Harvey G. and Eliza (Criswell) Price, both of whom are deceased, and grandson of Harvey G. Price, one of the pioneers of Jackson Township. He came to Union County from Baltimore, Maryland, and settled in what is now Jackson Township before a tree had been felled or any other development commenced in that part of the county. Taking up land, he improved it and became in the course of time one of the substan-

tial farmers of his township, and his namesake son followed in his footsteps, becoming a man of substance, a large landowner, and leaving to his descendants the rich heritage of an honorable name. Both he and his father were men of influence and weight in their home community. The first Harvey G. Price donated the Price Cemetery in Jackson Township, in this action following the example of his forefather, who had similarly donated a plot of land for burial purposes to the City of Philadelphia, known as Price Cemetery, adjoining the land on which stands Independence Hall.

Growing up on his father's farm in Jackson Township, Harvey G. Price of this notice, the third to bear the name, attended the National Normal School at Lebanon, Ohio. His first permanent business experience was acquired as an employe of the firm of McAllister, Mohler & Company of Columbus, with which he remained until 1909, when he entered the building material business in Marion, Ohio, and in 1919 acquired the business known as the Cast Stone Company of Columbus, Ohio.

The Cast Stone Company manufactures artificial stone for all purposes, including foundation units that make waterproof, everlasting, clean and attractive basements, which are warmer in winter and cooler in summer; ornamental trim stone for brick and stone buildings, vases, bird baths, yard ornaments and markers, seats and columns for cemeteries in any color or shape, all according to rules and mixtures advised by the highest authorities in architecture and engineering. Within the less than five years that Mr. Price has owned this business, he has developed it into one of importance. In addition to erecting a number of handsome residences, Mr. Price in 1923 filled contracts for the construction of the following buildings at Columbus: The Columbus Washboard Company, the Church of God, a modern residence for R. D. Littler, a modern store building at High and Woodruff streets, an apartment house on High Street, opposite the Ohio State University, and numerous others.

In addition to the Cast Stone Company Mr. Price has other interests, and among them is his connection with the Marion Buick Company at Marion, Ohio, in partnership with his brother, J. Leonard Price, of that city. They control and own the business of the Buick people at Marion, and occupy the finest automobile plant at Marion, and also direct the management of their farms for diversion.

Harvey G. Price married Miss Florence C. Colby, a niece of the famous Sells Brothers, Ephriam Peter and Lewis Sells, of Columbus, prominent showmen and builders, and owners of a great deal of business and residential property at Columbus. Mr. Price is a Shriner Mason, and belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Athletic Club and the Columbus Gallery of Fine Arts.

Elmer Ellsworth Powell. Probably no city in Ohio has a more distinguished scholar at the head of its municipal government than Oxford. The mayor of Oxford is Elmer Ellsworth Powell, professor emeritus of philosophy at Miami University, and a man who has been honored in the field of scholarship both in this country and abroad.

Doctor Powell was born at Clayton, Illinois, August 16, 1861, son of Curtis and Margaret (Welch) Powell. His parents are now deceased, his father having had a long career as a minister of the Methodist Church. Elmer Ellsworth Powell was educated in district schools in Hancock County, Illinois, attended graded schools at Chatham, that state, and spent four years in the high school at Lincoln, Illinois, and also attended the college at Lincoln. He taught a district school five months, and in 1881 entered the University of Michigan, where he took the classical course, graduating Bachelor of Arts in 1885. Later he entered the School of Theology of Boston University, and was graduated in 1890 with the degree of Bachelor of Systematic Theology. On graduating Bishop Andrews of the Methodist Church appointed him a teacher in the recently founded Protestant School of Theology at Florence, Italy, a school to train Italians for the work of the Protestant Church in Italy. After two years the school was removed to Rome, and Doctor Powell was a member of its faculty from 1890 to 1896. On account of ill health he was granted a year's leave of absence, spending that year in Germany studying, as his health would permit, at the University of Halle. Then deciding not to return to Italy, he continued his advanced studies at the University of Bonn, which awarded him the Doctor of Philosophy degree Magna Cum Laude in 1899. The title of his thesis for the Doctor's degree was "Spinoza's Conception of God." Remaining in Germany several months after taking his Doctor's degree, he returned to the United States, spending the winter and spring of 1900 at Cambridge, Massachusetts. In the fall of that year he accepted the chair of professor of modern languages in Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, serving from 1900 to 1905. In 1905 he accepted the call to the chair of philosophy in Miami University, and was one of the active members of the faculty until June, 1921, when he was retired on a pension with the title of Professor Emeritus of Philosophy. Without special compensation he still teaches one course at the university.

In 1923 Doctor Powell was solicited by the people of Oxford to become candidate for mayor. He was elected by about a four to one vote over his opponent. Doctor Powell since becoming mayor has waged a determined fight against crime and vice, and has also lent his influence to the making of street improvements. For years he has been head of a committee to beautify the streets and parks of Oxford.

Doctor Powell received the thirty-second degree in Scottish Rite Masonry at Cincinnati with a class of 130, and was elected president of the class. He is a member of the American Philosophical Association, the Western Philosophical Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the National Council of the National Economic League, the Liberal League, and is a republican. He is a member of the West Ohio Methodist Episcopal Conference. Doctor Powell is author of the book, "Spinoza and Religion," published in 1906. His most recent contribution to literature is "The Present Industrial System From a Moral Point of View," now in process of completion.

On November 8, 1893, Doctor Powell married Miss Blanche Lottie Swasey, of Cambridge, Massachusetts. They were married on the famous Capitoline Hill in Rome, the mayor of Rome being the official at the ceremony. Her parents were Edward and Charlotte Swasey, of Cambridge, Massachusetts. Mrs. Powell was educated in the schools of Cambridge. She was one of the founders and an active member of the Oxford Music Club, and a member of the Current Events Club. The only child of Doctor and Mrs. Powell is Dorotea, who was born in Rome, Italy, in 1895. She was educated in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Oxford High School and is a graduate of the Western College for Women at Oxford. She is now the wife of Prof. Carl A. Murchison, professor of psychology in Clark University at Worcester, Massachusetts. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Murchison are Powell and Margery Ellen.

Michael J. Colligan, Jr., an ex-service man of the World war, is a licensed embalmer and is pro-

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prietor of one of the modern and high class funeral homes of the City of Hamilton.

He was born at Hamilton, July 14, 1892, son of Michael and Catherine (Skalley) Colligan. His father until he retired was superintendent of the Niles Tool Works. The son Michael was educated in St. Mary's Catholic School, the Hamilton School, where he graduated in 1911, and during the following five years he worked as a pattern maker in the Niles Tool Works. Following that came employment in the water department of the City of Hamilton, until he became a soldier of the National Army.

On October 5, 1917, he enlisted in the Three Hundred and Twenty-second Field Artillery, being given his early training at Chillicothe, Ohio. He was then assigned duty at Syracuse, New York, and was put with the Chemical Warfare Division in the Edgewood, Maryland, plant, where the Government was manufacturing poison gases. He served with the rank of sergeant, and was mustered out in December, 1918.

Mr. Colligan in 1920 graduated from the Cincinnati College of Embalming, and remained there six months as supervisor of Arts of Embalming. October 6, 1921, he was licensed after passing the examinations of the state board. From July, 1920, he was in the service of Albert P. Wagner, undertaker at Hamilton, until he established business of his own. He has beautiful parlors, completely equipped with motorized facilities. Mr. Colligan is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of which he is past worthy president, belongs to the Knights of Columbus, the Loyal Order of Moose, West Side Aid Society, the Walnut Aid Society, Crescent Aid Society, Monkey Mutual Aid Society, and is a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church. He belongs to Frank Derwin Post of the American Legion at Hamilton.

Gouverneur Campbell Morey, chief deputy in the office of the county treasurer of Butler County, is a lawyer by training, and has been a member of the Hamilton bar for nearly thirty years.

He was born June 28, 1867, son of Hon. Henry Lee and Mary M. (Campbell) Morey. His father represented with distinction this district in Congress for many years. His mother was a daughter of William H. Campbell, an uncle of Hon. James E. Campbell, former governor of Ohio.

Gouverneur Campbell Morey attended the Hamilton High School, Buchtel College at Akron, and graduated from the Cincinnati Law School in 1895. He immediately returned to Hamilton and engaged in law practice, which he has continued so far as his official duties have permitted. He served Butler County as deputy tax commissioner and liquor license commissioner prior to taking his present responsibilities as chief deputy in the office of county treasurer.

Mr. Morey has been prominently identified with the republican party, and has aided in the movement to give this party something like equality with the other dominant political party in Butler County. He is a member of the Butler County Republican Club, and has served on the county executive committee.

Mr. Morey married Mrs. Isabella E. Beckman, of Hamilton, in 1911.

Dan Hugh Webster, though enrolled in the list of active attorneys of the Butler County bar less than four years, has received recognition for his ability and the resourcefulness with which he attends to the interest of his clients. He has his offices in the Rentschler Building at Hamilton.

He was born at Hamilton, September 11, 1898, son of Joseph H. and Amelia (Dingfelder) Webster. His father died April 27, 1922. Dan Hugh Webster was educated in the public schools of Hamilton, graduating from high school in 1916, and then continued his higher education in Ohio State University and in the Cincinnati Law School, and was admitted to the bar in 1920. In October, 1918, when just past his twentieth birthday, he volunteered for service in the World war, and was acting sergeant in the Aviation Corps at Cincinnati, and was mustered out December 23, 1918.

Mr. Webster is a democrat in politics, and was the candidate of his party for the Legislature in 1922, being defeated by 291 votes. He is a member of the Chi Phi college fraternity, and belongs to the American Legion and the Forty and Eight Society of ex-service men.

Louis J. Taber. On the basis of practical achievement as an individual "dirt farmer" and even more through his splendid leadership in Ohio agriculture as master of the State Grange, as state director of agriculture and now as vice president of the Ohio-Pennsylvania Joint Stock Land Bank of Cleveland, Louis J. Taber is entitled to all the distinctions accorded him for his services in the advancement of the agricultural interests of Ohio. On November 15, 1923, he was elected master of the National Grange, being the youngest person ever chosen for that office.

His parents were J. J. and Mary (Pickett) Taber, both representatives of families who were founders of the Society of Friends or Quakers in Ohio. Mount Pleasant in Jefferson County was altogether a Quaker town in the early years of its history. The yearly meeting of Friends was organized in 1811 and was held at Mount Pleasant annually until 1878, when the meeting place was changed to Barnesville in Belmont County. Louis J. Taber was born at Mount Pleasant, September 19, 1878, and was about six years of age when his parents moved to Barnesville. He grew up there, and he still has the home and owns and operates the farm on which his parents settled forty years ago. He was educated in public schools, and is a graduate of Olney College. Mr. Tabor still has his legal and voting residence on the farm near Barnesville. This farm is easily one of the best in Belmont County. A notable feature is his herd of registered Jersey cattle, and he is widely known for having developed the Gold Medal strain in Jerseys.

Mr. Taber in 1900 joined the Patrons of Husbandry or the Grange, and for eight years served as subordinate lecturer, Pomona lecturer three years and county deputy six years. In 1907 he was elected lecturer of the State Grange, and in 1914 came to the important office of master of the State Grange.

The work he did and the influence he exercised during the seven years he served as master of the Grange, until December, 1921, comprise a record of which he may well be proud. As a lecturer for the organization he has delivered probably three-thousand addresses, and has spoken in every county and in almost every township in the state. The good results of his activities are shown by the fact that the Grange in Ohio grew from a membership of 27,000, when he was first elected lecturer, to 108,000 when he retired as master.

On July 1, 1921, Governor Davis appointed Mr. Tabor director of the Ohio State Department of Agriculture, and a few months later he resigned as master of the Grange. He held the office of state director until the end of the Davis administration, on January 1, 1923. While in that office he established a home for his family in Columbus, where they now reside and his business headquarters are now in Cleveland, where since the spring of 1923 he has been vice president of the Ohio-Pennsylvania Joint Stock Land Bank. This bank, located in the Federal

Reserve Bank Building at Cleveland, was opened for business January 2, 1923, its purpose being to finance farm owners in Ohio and Pennsylvania through first mortgages. The Joint Stock Land Banks are a part of the Federal Farm Loan Act machinery, and they constitute the most beneficent measure in agricultural legislation in recent years, since by the policy and administration of the Land Banks farm owners have the opportunity to borrow up to fifty per cent of the value of their farms on a first mortgage that runs for thirty-three years on the amortized plan of repayment, so that for a maximum annual payment of seven per cent on the principal the loan is entirely cancelled at the end of thirty-three years.

During the World war Mr. Taber served as a member of Hoover's Wheat Price Committee, as a member of the State Council of Defense, as president of the Ohio Home Protective League and is a member of the executive committee of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation. It is probable that no one individual in Ohio has done more for the agricultural interest of the state than Mr. Taber. His study and influence have long been directed in behalf of rural credit legislation, and he was a member of the National Grange Legislative committees that helped secure the passage by Congress of the Farm Loan Act.

Mr. Taber is associate editor of the Barnesville Enterprise, and is editor in chief of the National Grange Monthly. He is a member of the Society of Friends. He is also vice president of the Farmers & Traders Life Insurance Company of Syracuse, New York. On October 27, 1909, he married Miss Edna Bailey. They have two sons, Paul and Francis.

ALLEN ANDREWS, SR., is head of the law firm Andrews, Andrews & Rogers, made up of himself, his two sons and his son-in-law. This is a firm that has been prominently identified with general law practice in Butler County, and the senior member is one of the oldest active attorneys of the Hamilton bar.

He was born in Delaware County, Indiana, August 11, 1849, and is of Scotch ancestry on his father's side and German on his mother's. He was one of five sons, and the three older ones served as Union soldiers in the Civil war.

Allen Andrews was educated in the common schools of Indiana, in Liber College of that state, and in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. At the age of eighteen he began teaching, and taught in district schools, was a teacher in the high school at Greenville, Ohio, and was superintendent of schools at New Madison. While teaching he began the study of law, and in 1874 was admitted to the Ohio bar, so that he has now rounded out practically a half century of continuous work as an Ohio lawyer. He practiced for a time in Greenville, Ohio, and in March, 1876, moved to the City of Hamilton. For four years he was junior member of the firm McKemy & Andrews, and for twenty-two years was associated in practice with H. L. Morey in the firm of Morey, Andrews & Morey, until the death of his senior partner. The firm of Andrews, Harlan & Andrews was in existence until Walter S. Harlan was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court in 1912. Following that the law business was continued under the name Andrews & Andrews, comprising Mr. Allen Andrews, Sr., and his sons, John D. Andrews and Allen Andrews, Jr., and more recently Mr. John P. Rogers has been admitted to the partnership, making its title as given above.

Allen Andrews, Sr., has tried many cases in the State and Federal courts, and his professional abilities have won him many honors. He served as president of the Ohio State Bar Association in 1911-1912. He is a member of the American Bar Association. He has satisfied his ambitions through success in the line of his profession rather than in politics. He has been a member of the Masonic order for half a century, served as grand master of the Ohio State Grand Lodge in 1893-1894, and has received the supreme honorary thirty-third degree of Scottish Rite Masonry. He is a member of the Elks and the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Hamilton.

In 1879 he married Miss Belle Davis. Her father was J. P. Davis, of Hamilton, who died in February, 1917, at the age of ninety-one. In the maternal line she is a great-great-granddaughter of Thomas Blair, one of the first settlers of Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Andrews, Sr., have five children: John D. and Allen, Jr., his law partners; Stanley, a physician at Toledo; Ruth, wife of H. Ellis Reed, a newspaper man in California; and Elizabeth, wife of J. P. Rogers, of the law firm Andrews, Andrews & Rogers.

JOHN DAVIS ANDREWS, member of the law firm Andrews, Andrews & Rogers at Hamilton, is a son of the senior member, Allen Andrews, Sr.

He was born January 27, 1881, at Hamilton, was educated in public schools there, attended the New York Military Academy at Cornwall, New York, and the Ohio State University. He finished his law course in Cincinnati University Law School, graduating in 1904 and being admitted to the bar in January, 1905. Since that date he has been associated with his father in practice.

He served as assistant prosecuting attorney of Butler County from November, 1921, to May, 1922, and from May, 1922, to January, 1923, was prosecuting attorney. He is a member of the Butler County Bar Association, the Ohio State and American Bar associations, and his college fraternity was the Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Hamilton Club, the Butler County Country Club, Masonic Order and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He actively assisted and did committee work during all the drives in the World war, and was a member of the Local Draft Board.

He married Miss Marie Long, daughter of J. M. W. and Elizabeth (Conover) Long. They have four children: John William, born in 1913; Margaret, born in 1916; Robert Long, born in 1917; and Marabel, born in 1922.

JOHN P. ROGERS, junior member of the Hamilton law firm of Andrews, Andrews & Rogers, is a native of Ohio, was in the aviation service during the World war, and is a young man of unusual qualifications for his profession.

He was born at Mount Vernon, Ohio, February 10, 1895, son of W. J. and Anna T. (Henegan) Rogers. He was educated in the parochial schools of Mount Vernon, attended public schools in Licking County, and was a student in Aquinas College of Columbus. After the war he entered St. Xavier College of Law at Cincinnati, graduating Bachelor of Laws in 1922, and soon afterward was made a member of the law firm Andrews, Andrews & Rogers.

He was a lieutenant in the air service, receiving his ground training at Ohio State University, in the School of Military Aeronautics, at Hazelhurst Field at Mineola, New York, at Rich Field at Waco, and Camp Dick at Dallas, Texas, and was flying instructor at Ellington Field at Houston, Texas.

On May 11, 1918, Mr. Rogers married Miss Elizabeth Andrews, daughter of Allen and Belle (Davis) Andrews. She was educated in the public schools of Hamilton, in Notre Dame Academy at Reading, Ohio, and in Hollins College at Roanoke, Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers have one daughter, Elizabeth, born February 18, 1920. Mr. Rogers is a member of the Butler County and Ohio State Bar associations, the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, and the

Butler County Country Club. In politics he is a democrat, and in 1924 was a candidate for Congress from the Third District of Ohio.

THOMAS MILLIKIN. In the last half of the nineteenth century Thomas Millikin, of Hamilton, ranked as one of the very ablest lawyers of the State of Ohio. He was born at Rossville, now in the City of Hamilton, September 28, 1819, and spent all his long life in Butler County. He died November 10, 1899, when past four score. In 1838, at the age of nineteen, he graduated from Miami University, and just six years later this university conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. He studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1840, a few months after reaching his majority, and continued in practice until within a fortnight before his death. He was always a close student of the law, and was regarded by many as the best jurist lawyer in the state. He was not merely an advocate, he argued more cases in the Supreme Court of Ohio than any lawyer of his generation, and his printed briefs are a monument to his ability, learning and industry. His ambition was to be a good and successful lawyer, and he steadily resisted the temptation that so easily besets young lawyers to engage in politics or accept office. Only for one year did he serve as prosecuting attorney of the county. He declined an appointment to a seat on the Supreme Bench. He won honor and success in his profession not by dubious ways or commercial means, but fairly and honestly, by close application, hard study, loyalty to clients and strict adherence to the well recognized rules of professional ethics. His name first appeared as counsel in the Supreme Court of Ohio in a case decided at the January term of 1846, and from that time until the close of his life he was never without one or more cases pending in that court.

His widest experience, greatest success and most marked achievements were perhaps in corporation cases and will contests. His fame was so great and his success so uniform in the contest of wills that he was often called from his own county elsewhere in such cases involving large estates. In this way he became known throughout Ohio as the "great will breaker." When the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railway was constructed in 1852 he became its local council, and remained so until death.

Thomas Millikin was small of stature, of erect figure and strong vitality, an iron constitution, regular features, open countenance, a good face, quick step, sprightly movements, a cheerful presence, genial manners and a good heart. He was a good observer of men, measures and the progress of events, was conversant with the early history and traditions of the state, and especially of the Miami Valley. He was companionable, reminiscent, communicative and entertaining. His life was temperate, chaste and pure.

On November 4, 1841, at Columbus, he married Miss Mary Van Hook. Her father was distinguished in his day in the public affairs of the state. Mr. and Mrs. Millikin lived in the greatest domestic happiness for more than fifty-two years, until her death January 13, 1894. They were the parents of four sons and three daughters: Ira S., Robert B., Mrs. Sarah Gray Millikin Vanderveer, of Hamilton, Mrs. Julia Millikin Harrison, Mrs. Mary Millikin Smith, Murray G. Millikin and William B. Millikin.

BRANDON R. MILLIKIN is a grandson of the distinguished Ohio lawyer, Thomas Millikin, a brief sketch of whose honored career is given in the preceding sketch. He was born August 19, 1868, son of Robert B. and Carrie E. Millikin. His father for many years was a well known business man of Hamilton, a manufacturer of farm implements. He was also a Union soldier, joining the army in July, 1862, as a member of the Ninety-third Ohio Infantry. He was twice promoted for bravery, and on account of wounds received resigned his commission as first lieutenant November 22, 1864.

Brandon R. Millikin was educated in public schools at Hamilton, graduated from Amherst College at Amherst, Massachusetts, and received his law degree from Cincinnati Law School in 1891. He was associated with his grandfather, Thomas Millikin, during the last few years of the latter's life as a member of the law firm Millikin, Shotts & Millikin. After the death of the senior member the firm continued as Shotts & Millikin. Brandon R. Millikin is a member of the Ohio State and American Bar associations.

While at Amherst College he was a Beta Theta Pi. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, and is a director in the Young Men's Christian Association. July 9, 1895, Mr. Millikin married Miss Grace E. Jewett, of Wyoming, Ohio, daughter of Joseph E. and Cecilia C. Jewett, both now deceased. Her father for many years was president of the Cincinnati Carriage Goods Company. Mr. Millikin and family are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Hamilton. His children are: Margaret V., wife of Hamilton Wilson, of Wyoming, Ohio; Caroline E., wife of Walter W. Cordes, of Wyoming; Jewett, who is now office manager of the Liberty Machine Tool Company of Hamilton; and Helen, a member of the class of 1924 in the Hamilton High School.

MAJOR A. H. HEISEY. One of America's foremost captains of industry lived in Newark, Ohio, in the person of the late Major A. H. Heisey, a man of unrivaled vision, great personal force, charm and magnetic personality. His career reflected honor upon that city and is cherished there accordingly.

Major Heisey was the founder of the A. H. Heisey Company, manufacturers of the Diamond H. tableware and glass products of world wide distribution and use.

Major Heisey was also a champion of the principle of protection for American industries and for some years was president of the American Protective Tariff League. Following his death on February 13, 1922, the board of this league adopted a memorial referring to his connection with the organization as a member since 1905, and as its president since 1918, declaring him ever a "foremost defender of the policy of protection, a frank American, a brave and loyal soldier of the Union, an unswerving supporter of republican principles, a pioneer in productive enterprises," and "that in his death, the cause of protection has lost one of its ablest adherents and the republican party one of its firmest friends."

A. H. Heisey was born at Merrittstown, Pennsylvania, August 3, 1842, and was eighty years of age at his death. While a student at Merritstown Academy, he was a classmate of the late Senator Philander C. Knox of Pennsylvania and the eminent astronomer John Brashear.

After leaving school, a brief experience in the printing business was followed by his entering the glass industry with the King Glass Company at Pittsburgh. He resigned his position to enlist as a private in the One Hundred Fifty-fifth Pennsylvania Zouaves and was in service throughout the Civil war, being advanced from private to second lieutenant, first lieutenant, captain and finally was breveted major. He was also cited in orders for gallantry in action. At the battle of Gettysburg he commanded his regiment and was shot from his horse, but only slightly wounded. Altogether he participated in twenty-two engagements. At the time of his death

he was the last surviving commissioned officer who helped defend Little Round Top at Gettysburg. Later it was the One Hundred Fifty-fifth Zouaves that first received General Lee's emissaries at Appomattox. At the close of the war, he returned to the King Glass Company, subsequently becoming identified with the Ripley Glass Company at Pittsburgh, but in 1873 he and his brother-in-law, James E. Duncan, reorganized the George Duncan & Sons Glass Company of Pittsburgh. This was one of the prominent glass industries of Pittsburgh. He was one of the owners until 1889 when the business was sold to the United States Glass Company, after which he remained several years as general manager. Following a period of sojourn in the southwest, where he engaged in the mining business in Mexico and Arizona, Major Heisey in 1895 located at Newark.

Here he founded the A. H. Heisey & Company. In August, 1895, a sixteen pot furnace was put in operation. Before his death the industry was increased to a three furnace factory, with seven hundred employes. The Heisey plant manufactures no less than 20,000 different items of glassware. In early years its exclusive output was pressed ware, but for the last four or five years it has been manufacturing blown ware with needle and plate etching and light cutting. The Holophone glassware was at one time made by the Heisey plant. The A. H. Heisey and Company originally and for years manufactured the celebrated Holophone lighting glassware and its reputation for quality was established under the manufacture of Major Heisey's company.

This business in Newark was undoubtedly the greatest industrial achievement of the late Major Heisey. However, a share of his ability and energy was also devoted to the development of other industries. For the last thirty years of his life he was president of the Pittsburgh Clay Pot Company, was founder and director of the Newark Heat & Light Company, was a director of the Newark Consumers Gas Company, was financially interested in the American Tribune Publishing Company, was the founder and for forty years a director of the Manufacturers Bank of Pittsburgh, and at one time a director of the Franklin National Bank of Newark and president of the Newark Trust Company. At the time of his death he was vice president of the Ohio National Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati.

For many years he had been a close student of national affairs, particularly of the tariff. Only a short time before his death, he had been reelected for a fifth term as president of the American Protective Tariff League. His individual attainments brought him associations and friendships among many of the nation's public men. He was a member of the National Republican Club of New York, of the Society of Glass Technology at London, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion at Cincinnati and Post No. 159 of the Grand Army of the Republic at Pittsburgh. His clubs included the Duquesne of Pittsburgh, the Columbus Country and the Columbus clubs of Columbus, Ohio, also the Mound Builders Club of Newark.

His business position meant to him an opportunity for doing good. There was a constant exercise of his philanthropic efforts in behalf of individuals and welfare organizations. He was one of the founders of the South Side Hospital of Pittsburgh, was chairman of the committee that raised the funds for the Newark City Hospital and was one of the founders of the Newark Young Men's Christian Association.

On May 15, 1870, he married Miss Susan N. Duncan, and they had celebrated their golden wedding anniversary before his death. The children of their marriage were: George Duncan Heisey; Mrs. R. L. Walker, deceased; E. Wilson Heisey; Mrs. O. K. Dockery, Jr.; Mrs. Fred H. King, and T. Clarence Heisey.

E. WILSON HEISEY. The president of the A. H. Heisey Company of Newark is E. Wilson Heisey, who had many years of active association with his father's business, qualifying him for the responsibilities he now enjoys.

He was born at Pittsburgh October 5, 1875, and was liberally educated in the Park Institute at Allegheny, Pennsylvania, and in Washington and Jefferson University. During his college career he was one of the leading athletes of his time. Soon after completing his college career, he located at Newark and entered his father's plant which had been founded only a short time before. He has been closely identified with its upbuilding and progress for nearly thirty years. He is also a director of the Franklin National Bank of Newark.

E. Wilson Heisey married Miss Hazel Reese, of Lancaster, Ohio. They have two children: George Duncan, born in 1907, and Augustus H., born in 1914. Mr. Heisey is a member of the Duquesne Club of Pittsburgh, the Mound Builders Country Club of Newark, and the Lake Arthur Hunting Club of Louisiana. He is a member of the Beta Theta Phi fraternity. He is a republican, and from 1902 to 1905 was a captain of the Fourth Infantry, Ohio National Guard.

T. CLARENCE HEISEY, vice president and sales manager of the A. H. Heisey Company, glassware manufacturers at Newark is a son of the founder of the business, the late Major A. H. Heisey.

He was born at Idlewood, Pennsylvania, November 4, 1882, and prepared for college at Mount Pleasant Academy at Ossining, New York. He graduated from Amherst College where he was a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity. After leaving college he became associated with the business his father had established at Newark. He and his brother, E. Wilson are now the executive heads of that industry.

Clarence Heisey is also a director of the Ohio National Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, and a director of the American Protective League. From 1903 to 1908 he was battalion adjutant and first lieutenant in the Fourth Infantry of the Ohio National Guard, and in 1923 and 1924 he served as president of the Mound Builders Country Club of Newark. In politics he is a republican.

He married Miss Anna Davis, daughter of W. H. and Mary A. Davis at Newark. The two children of their marriage are T. Clarence, Jr. and Mary Ann.

CHRISTIAN PABST. In the death of Christian Pabst on October 11, 1922, the community of Hamilton lost one of its oldest and most highly respected business men and citizens. Mr. Pabst for many years held public office, and was not only well known in Butler County, but in the state at large.

He was born December 6, 1852, in Bavaria, Germany. In 1866 the family came to the United States, settling at Hamilton. Christian Pabst had received his early education in Germany, and soon after coming to Hamilton began an apprenticeship at the trade of printer. In subsequent years he was rated as the most expert job printer in Hamilton. He was not only thoroughly skilled in his trade, but was a man of most engaging personality and as a youth won a large circle of friends. He gave up the printing business in 1879 to join his father and brothers in the manufacture and bottling of mineral waters and soft drinks. This was the J. Pabst & Sons, and it is a business still carried on as the Pabst Bottling Company, one of the largest concerns of its kind in Southern Ohio. Since the death of Mr. Christian Pabst the business has been continued with his son Warren J. as the active head.

Mr. Pabst as a youth became actively identified with the democratic party in Butler County. March, 1892, he was nominated for clerk of the Butler County

Common Pleas Court, was elected for a term of three years, and in 1895 was again elected. In this election he received the largest majority ever given to a candidate in Butler County, this being attributed not only to the systematic efficiency with which he had conducted his office, but also to his supreme personal popularity. In November, 1900, he was elected county auditor, beginning the duties of that office October, 21, 1901. He was reelected in November, 1903, and in 1907 was elected for a two year term as a member of the Board of Public Service. Governor Judson Harmon in 1910 appointed Mr. Pabst a member of the State Tax Commission for a term of three years. He was reappointed in 1914 by Governor James M. Cox. He rendered valuable service to all the interests of the state while on the tax commission, but in 1915 he resigned to devote himself to his private business. He was laid to rest in Hamilton's Greenwood Cemetery. Mr. Pabst was also a leader in giving Hamilton a splendid system of public schools, and in 1881 became one of the trustees of the Lane Free Library, and served in that capacity a number of years. He was affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Modern Woodmen of America and other organizations, and was a member of the German Evangelical Church.

April 15, 1896, Mr. Pabst married Miss Katherine A. Gerlach, daughter of Peter Gerlach, of Cleveland. They are the parents of three sons: Robert P. and Warren J., twins, born November 12, 1898; and Herbert G., born March 15, 1901. The son Warren graduated in the Engineering School at the University of Cincinnati in June, 1923, and now fills his father's place in the Pabst Bottling Company. Robert P. graduated from Antioch College in June, 1923. The son Herbert G. is a student in Cincinnati University.

Charles I. Keely, D. D. S., president of the Ohio College of Dental Surgery at Cincinnati, is one of the most distinguished men in his profession in the state and the country. His father was a pioneer Ohio dentist, and no name has been more prominently identified with the profession than Keely. The Ohio College of Dental Surgery was chartered in 1845, and is the oldest college of dental surgery in the United States.

Dr. Charles I. Keely was born at Oxford, in Butler County, Ohio, November 13, 1853, son of Dr. George W. and Susanna Keely. He was educated in the public schools of Butler County, attended school at Brookville, Indiana, and finished his literary education in Miami University at Oxford, Ohio. He was graduated from the Ohio Dental College at Cincinnati in 1876, and then remained there two years as a demonstrator. In 1879 he engaged in private practice at Oxford, and in the following year moved to Hamilton, where for over forty years he has looked after an extensive private practice and still maintains his offices.

He is best known in his profession, however, through his work as an educator and instructor. He formerly occupied the chair of Orthodontia in the Ohio College of Dental Surgery, and has been president of the Board of Trustees of the school for many years, the Ohio College of Dental Surgery, and is affiliated with Cincinnati University. He served over twenty years as treasurer and one year as president of the Ohio Dental Association, and is a member of the National Dental Association and the Ohio State Dental Society. He is a republican in politics, though never active in the party.

January 14, 1885, Doctor Keely married Miss Ella Rhodehamel, daughter of Samuel and Priscillia Rhodehamel, of Piqua, Ohio. Two children were born to their marriage, Wells and Priscillia. Wells died in 1909.

Ray Shipman was educated for the law, but has used his professional training solely in his business career as a real estate operator. He is president of the Ray Shipman Company, one of the most important real estate organizations in Butler County.

Mr. Shipman was born at St. Marys, Ohio, September 17, 1888, son of John N. and Anna Louise (Haas) Shipman. His father was an Ohio farmer. Ray Shipman was educated in the high school of his native town, and in 1911 graduated from the Detroit Law College and was admitted to the Michigan bar the same year. Soon afterward moving to Hamilton, Ohio, he has since been active in the real estate business, his service in that line covering a period of thirteen years.

In 1919 he organized the Lienbach, Humphrey, Shipman Company, and in 1920 organized as its successor the Ray Shipman Company, which is incorporated with a capital stock of $50,000. Mr. Shipman is president of the company, E. J. Fretchling, vice president; Herbert Miller, treasurer; Paul Shuler, secretary, and these executives, together with F. K. Vaughn, constitute the Board of Directors. The company with its own capital and also on a brokerage basis does a general real estate business. Its home building department has a notable record, having erected ninety-one homes and put on the Lincoln Park subdivision of 170 lots and the Lawn Park addition of forty-two lots.

In 1922 Mr. Shipman organized the Valley Mortgage Company for the purpose of financing home building. It is capitalized at $500,000. The officers and directors are the following: S. M. Goodman, president and director; F. K. Vaughn, vice president and director; Herbert J. Miller, secretary and director; Guy C. Mitchell, treasurer and director; John M. Beeler, Brandon Millikin, John F. Neilen, Calvin Gurr, E. J. Fretchling, Ray Shipman, L. T. Palmer, L. E. Marshall, Leonard H. Shipman and Herman Kutter, directors. Mr. Shipman is a Royal Arch and Council degree Mason, is a member of the Elks, the Rotary Club, the Young Men's Christian Association, and is a director of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce. He and Mrs. Shipman attend the Christian Science Church.

He married Meta Budzien, of Milwaukee, June 7, 1914. She is a daughter of Gustav and Wilhelmina Budzien, and was educated in high school and the Milwaukee Art College. She is an active member of the Woman's City Club of Hamilton.

Charles Alonzo Brown, of Woodsfield, is a member of a family long and prominently known in Southeastern Ohio. His career has identified him with the railroad service and banking, and he is now vice president and cashier of the First National Bank of Woodsfield.

He was born on a farm in Malaga, Township of Monroe County, July 12, 1882, son of David L. and Alvina (Kinney) Brown. His father died at the age of eighty-two, and his mother is still living, aged eighty. David L. Brown was widely known for his enterprising record as a farmer and stock man in Monroe County, being the first to import pure bred Shorthorn cattle into this section of Ohio. He exhibited his stock at fairs and sold and shipped them all over the state. He also held various local offices, and was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He had lived retired in his home at Woodsfield from 1910.

The youngest of four children, Charles Alonzo Brown, spent his early years on a farm, attended country schools, and his first experience in commercial lines was clerking in a drug store at Woodsfield for one year. Learning telegraphy, he did some work in that line, but from 1902 to 1909 was teller

and bookkeeper in the First National Bank of Woodsfield. For two years of that time he was also purchasing agent for the Buckeye Pipe Line Company, and in March, 1909, became auditor of the Ohio River & Western Railroad. When this road was acquired by the Pennsylvania System in 1912 he continued with it, and in January, 1917, was made special agent in the comptroller's office of the Pennsylvania System at Pittsburgh on lines west of Pittsburgh. In 1918 he was made credit manager of the lines west of Pittsburgh.

Giving up his railroad work, Mr. Brown returned to Woodsfield January 1, 1920, to become cashier of the First National Bank. Since January 1, 1923, he has had the additional duties of vice president of that bank. This is one of the leading banks of Southeastern Ohio, with resources of over one million dollars. Its four-story building would be a credit to a city of 50,000. The upper floors of the building are used by the Masonic Club and as Masonic lodge rooms. Harry E. Stewart is president of the bank, with Mr. Brown as the active officer in charge of the executive details.

Mr. Brown organized and became the first president of the Woodsfield Kiwanis Club in June, 1923. His hobby is community cooperation and development, and he has helped in the program of uniting the agricultural, commercial and financial interests of the county into a harmonious unity. He teaches a boys' class in the Methodist Sunday School, and is president of the Boy Scouts of Monroe County. Mr. Brown is well read in a wide range of subjects from history to fiction, and he is much interested in sociology, politics and science. He is a member of the Masonic Club, Woodsfield Lodge No. 189, Free and Accepted Masons; Woodsfield Lodge No. 338, Knights of Pythias; Woodsfield Lodge No. 377, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Eastern Star Chapter.

Mr. Brown married at Pittsburgh in 1905, Miss Anna M. Hayes, daughter of Charles Asa and Sarah (Daniel) Hayes. Her mother is now deceased. Her father is a retired farmer at Beallsville, Ohio. He is a veteran of the Civil war and active in the Grand Army of the Republic, and is a member of the Church of Christ. He is a republican, and a past master of Beallsville Lodge of Masons and active in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have one son, Charles Asa Brown.

Daniel Wyer Lowe, M. D. For over twenty years Doctor Lowe has been accounted one of the ablest members of the medical profession in Monroe County, and has also been a well known turfman and a leader in agricultural and civic affairs.

He was born on a farm in Center Township of Monroe County, May 19, 1875. His father, James Lowe, a native of Belmont County, Ohio, came to Monroe County when a young man, and was a farmer in Wayne Township. He enlisted and served four years as a Union soldier with the Ninety-second Ohio Infantry, and when the war was over engaged in farming in Center Township of Monroe County. He was very progressive in his farming methods. His long continued habit of reading made him familiar with everything connected with country life and agriculture, and also ancient and modern history. He was an active member of the Grand Army of the Republic. His last years were spent retired at Barnesville, where he died at the age of eighty, in May, 1907. His wife, Nancy Dougherty, was born in Monroe County, where he parents were pioneer settlers of Wayne Township. She died at the age of eighty-five, in 1917.

Dr. Daniel W. Lowe grew up in a home in the country, being the youngest in a family of six children, and while attending the country schools made the resolution to become a physician. He taught country schools, and while teaching, read medicine under Dr. J. M. Keesor at Antioch. Then, on his own resources and by his individual efforts, he put himself through Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine April 16, 1903. Doctor Lowe in the same year began practice at Antioch. He did advanced work in the Post Graduate School of Medicine at Chicago, and continued his work at Antioch until 1914, when he removed to Woodsfield. His large general practice in medicine and surgery covers not only Monroe County, but the adjoining counties of Noble, Belmont and Washington. He is a member of the Monroe County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Lowe is interested in oil production in Southeastern Ohio. He is vice president of the Monroe County Agricultural Society, and served as a member of the Woodsfield City Council in 1921-23. For several years he has owned a stable of fine horses, and has a string of racers that have exhibited their powers at all the tracks over Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. He also takes recreation in hunting and fishing and is a lover of fine dogs. Doctor Lowe is a member of the Kiwanis Club, Lodge No. 419 of the Elks at Bellaire, the Knights of the Maccabees, is a republican and a member of St. Sylvester's Catholic Church at Woodsfield.

He married at Columbus in 1903, Miss Mary S. Dornbusch, who was born and reared at Antioch. Her father, the late William Dornbusch, was a merchant at Antioch. Doctor and Mrs. Lowe have one son, Charles Warren Lowe.

Walter Burns Moore, after earning his own way while in college and receiving admission to the bar in 1911, has rapidly made his way to the front in the legal profession in Monroe County, and is regarded as one of the ablest trial attorneys at Woodsfield. He has well established professional, business and civic connections there.

He was born on a farm in Malaga Township, Monroe County, February 1, 1887, son of Matthew and Sarah J. (Dickey) Moore, his father a native of Summit Township in Monroe County, while his mother was born in Marshall County, West Virginia. Matthew Moore was a farmer and sheep raiser, a democrat in politics and a member of the Presbyterian Church, and when he died at the age of sixty-six, in 1904, was living retired at the Village of Jerusalem, where his widow still resides.

Walter Burns Moore, the youngest of six children, attended country schools until he was sixteen, and finished his public school work at Jerusalem. For two terms he taught in country schools and then in the Woodsfield High School. His law studies were begun in the offices of Jeffers, Moore and De Vaul, the senior member of the firm being his older brother, W. E. Moore. From these offices he entered the Ohio Northern University Law School, and graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1911. After being admitted to the bar Mr. Moore engaged in practice at Bellaire, but in 1913 returned to Woodsfield. He became an associate of the law firm Jeffers, Moore and De Vaul, and since 1918 has been the trial attorney for this firm. Since 1921 the firm has been Moore, De Vaul and Moore, the members of which are W. E. Moore, Hon. J. G. De Vaul and W. B. Moore. While handling a general practice, most of the business of the firm is corporation law, representing oil and gas companies.

Mr. Moore is an active democrat in politics. From January 1, 1919, to 1923 he served as prosecuting attorney of Monroe County, and was a member of the Legal Advisory Board during the World war.

Henry Janser.

He is a member of the Kiwanis Club, is past grand of Woodsfield Lodge No. 377, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and past chancellor of Woodsfield Lodge No. 338, Knights of Pythias. He is a former superintendent of the Sunday school of the Presbyterian Church.

At Jerusalem, Ohio, in August, 1910, Mr. Moore married Miss Norma L. Gatchell, who was born and reared there, daughter of William R. and Adda A. (Gibbins) Gatchell. Her parents were born and reared in Monroe County. Her father for many years was a merchant at Jerusalem, and is now living retired on a small farm near there. He is a republican and a member of the Knights of Pythias. Mrs. Moore takes a very active interest in church matters. They have four children, named Vivian Rebecca, Margaret Adda, Walter Burns and Robert Gatchell.

Frank Henry Ward is a civil engineer by profession, is former county surveyor and a prominent factor in the good roads program of Monroe County, and now gives most of his time to his business as an oil producer.

He was born at Clarington in Monroe County, January 8, 1885, son of Henry and Mary (Hugi) Ward. His father was born in Monroe County, where the grandparents settled on coming from Pennsylvania. Henry Ward spent his early years on river steamboats, and then engaged in buying, selling and shipping live stock and farming near Clarington. He was a member of the Church of Christ, and he died in 1889, at the early age of thirty-six. The widowed mother, now seventy years of age, was born in Switzerland Township of Monroe County.

Frank Henry Ward grew up on a farm, attended country schools, and at the age of eleven was working as a farm hand at wages of four dollars a month. When he was eighteen he learned the trade of carpenter. As a journeyman carpenter he had a great deal of travel experience, covering twenty-three states of the Union. For a time he was a carpenter during the construction of the steel trust's marble city of Gary, Indiana. Finally returning to Monroe County, he completed a course in the Marietta Business College and the normal school of the county, and for two terms taught in his home district. While teaching he completed a course in civil engineering with the International Correspondence School, and also did special work in road and bridge building in the engineering department of Ohio Northern University at Ada.

In 1914 Mr. Ward was elected county surveyor of Monroe County, and was reelected in 1916, resigning the office during 1917. While county surveyor he was chiefly responsible for the planning and construction of the paved roads between Barnesville and Woodsfield. Since resigning his office he has devoted his attention to the oil industry. He has been more or less closely associated with the oil business ever since he was a boy. He is senior member of the firm Ward & Cooper, oil producers, and is treasurer of the Keener Drilling Company, oil drillers, well known through the petroleum district of Ohio and West Virginia.

Mr. Ward in 1922 was elected to represent Monroe County in the Ohio State Legislature, serving for the term of 1923-24. He is a democrat, and a member of Woodsfield Lodge No. 189 of the Masonic Order, and belongs to the Royal Arch and Council degrees at Barnesville. He is a member of the Church of Christ. During the World war he represented the United States Fuel Administration of Monroe County and was one of the organizers of the Monroe County Good Roads Federation.

He married at Woodsfield, July 3, 1915, Miss Clara M. Keyser, daughter of John M. Keyser, of Woodsfield, formerly a deputy sheriff and city marshal, and now custodian of the high school building. Mr. and Mrs. Ward have four children, named Ethel Elaine, John Pershing, Frank Mont and Elmer Orton.

Henry Janser has given Columbus one of the most distinctive organizations of its kind in Ohio, a complete service for artistic work in decorating, a service exemplified in some of the finest theatres, churches and hotels and other public buildings in Columbus.

Mr. Janser, president of the Henry Janser Decorating Company, was born in Cologne, Germany, in August, 1876. He was reared in that city on the Rhine, attended school there, and began the study of art. His uncle was a master painter and decorator, and Henry Janser had a practical training and apprenticeship under the elder Janser. Following that he spent four years in the Munich Art School, and then remained in that city working as a decorator for thirteen years.

Mr. Janser has been a citizen of the United States since 1909. For three years he was in New York City, employed as a decorator with some of the largest firms there. In 1912 he came to Columbus and established the Henry Janser Decorating Company. His artistic experience and taste and executive ability have been responsible for making this a leading concern of its kind in Ohio. The studio of the company is 429-431 South Fourth Street. Many of the fine homes of Columbus had all the decorating details supplied by this company. Its service is also exemplified in such public buildings as the Majestic Theatre, State Theatre, Colonial Theatre, Grand Theatre, Lyceum Theatre, St. John's Church, the Chittenden and Southern Hotel, Huntington Bank Building, Atlas Building, Clinton Building and Scioto Country Club.

Mr. Janser married in New York City, in 1909, Miss Katie Wales, of Germany. Their only child died in infancy.

Warren W. Cowen is a citizen of prominence and influence in the Ohio city and county that figure as the place of his nativity, for at St. Clairsville, judicial center of Belmont County, he is serving on the bench of the Court of Common Pleas, with high standing as one of the representative members of the bar of this section of the Buckeye State. The judge is liberal and progressive in his civic attitude, and has had much of leadership in the directing of popular sentiment and action.

Judge Cowen was born at St. Clairsville, on the 1st of April, 1868, and is a scion of one of the sterling pioneer families of Ohio, as is clearly indicated in the statement that his father, the late Judge Daniel Duane Thompkins Cowen, was born in Moorefield, Harrison County, this state, on the 20th of January, 1826. Judge Daniel D. T. Cowen received the advantages of the common schools and thereafter read law in the office of his father, Hon. Benjamin Sprague Cowen, who was one of the prominent early members of the Ohio bar. He was admitted to the bar on the 20th of January, 1847, and at St. Clairsville he built up a large and representative law practice that marked him as a leading member of his profession in this part of his native state. He gave three terms of service as county attorney of Belmont County, his successive elections to this office having occurred in 1851, 1853 and 1855. Judge Cowen served with distinction as a soldier of the Union in the Civil war, and in later years he was actively affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic, through the medium of which he vitalized his interest in and association with his former comrades. In 1862 Judge Cowen was

made lieutenant colonel of the Fifty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and he retained this command until February, 1863, when he resigned and returned home, owing to the illness of his wife, her death having occurred about a year later.

Judge Cowen was a stalwart advocate of the principles and policies of the republican party and was a leader in its councils and campaign work in Belmont County. In 1865 he was appointed judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and in this office he served one term. He was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of St. Clairsville, was elected its first president and retained this executive office from April, 1864, until his death, besides which he was prominently interested in other representative financial and business enterprises in his home city and county. He was a delegate from this county to the Ohio State Constitutional Convention of 1873. Colonel Cowen took most loyal interest in all that concerned the welfare of his home city, gave effective service as a member of its school board, and was a member of the Belmont County Board of School Examiners from 1854 to 1862. He was a zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he ever retained inviolable place in popular confidence and esteem. His first wife, whose maiden name was Hannah F. Martin, died on the 3d of May, 1864, and on the 8th of August, 1865, he wedded Miss Ann E. Martin, who was born at Uniontown, Pennsylvania, and who was a sister of his first wife. The death of Judge Cowen occurred at St. Clairsville in April, 1884, when he was fifty-eight years of age, and his widow passed away at the venerable age of seventy-six years.

Judge Benjamin Sprague Cowen, grandfather of him whose name initiates this review, was born in Washington County, New York, September 27, 1792, and at the age of twenty years he entered service as a soldier in the War of 1812. In 1824 he became a pioneer settler in Harrison County, Ohio, where he became the owner of a large farm property. He was educated for the medical profession, and later he read law, his admission to the Ohio bar having occurred in 1830. He continued in the practice of law in Harrison County until 1832, when he removed to St. Clairsville, and he passed the remainder of his life as one of the leading members of the bar of Belmont County. As a candidate on the whig ticket he was elected to the Twenty-seventh United States Congress in 1840, as representative of the Sixteenth Congressional District of Ohio, and in 1842 he was specially influential in the Congressional tariff legislation. In 1854-1856 he represented Belmont County in the Ohio Legislature, in which he was made chairman of the finance committee of the House, a connection in which he was influential in framing the state bond law and also in the readjustment of the tax laws of Ohio. In 1847 he was appointed judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Belmont County, and after serving one term on the bench he resumed the active practice of law at St. Clairsville, and here he continued to reside until his death. Judge Cowen was one of the foremost members of the Ohio bar, was long influential in political affairs, and was one of the founders of the Brooks Institute at St. Clairsville, which became one of the prominent educational institutions of its period. He was seventy-six years of age at the time of his death.

The public schools of St. Clairsville afforded Judge Warren W. Cowen his early education. He is of the third generation of the family to represent Belmont County in the legal profession and as a jurist. He advanced his education by attending historic old Washington and Jefferson College in Pennsylvania, and in the athletic affairs of the college he gained special prestige as a baseball pitcher, his alliance with the great national sport having continued for a number of years. He was admitted to the bar in 1895, and in that year also he was appointed deputy sheriff of Belmont County, an office which he retained until 1899. He then initiated the active practice of his profession, in which he has splendidly upheld the high honors of the family name. In 1912 the judge formed a law partnership with Walton J. Walker, and this alliance continued, under the title of Cowen & Walker, until April 4, 1921. Judge Cowen served two terms as county attorney, besides having previously held this office six months under appointment to fill out an unexpired term. He has been an influential figure in the local councils of the republican party, and was chairman of the Republican County Committee of Belmont County four years, 1917-1921. In the work of his profession Judge Cowen built up a large and important practice, and it may be specially noted that he was retained as attorney for the United Mine Workers' Union of sub-district No. 5 and district No. 6 in the World war period. He has won specially high reputation as a vigorous and resourceful trial lawyer. The judge was a member of the Ohio Electoral College in the national election of 1920, and had the distinction of conveying from the state capital to Marion and delivering personally to the future president, Warren G. Harding, the electoral vote of the state. On the 4th of April, 1921, he was appointed by Governor Harry L. Davis to the bench of the Court of Common Pleas for Belmont County, an office previously dignified by the effective administrations of his father and grandfather, as previously noted in this context. His advancement to this office came as the sequel of a petition signed by every member of the bar of Belmont County, without reference to political affiliation. He assumed his official duties November 22, 1922, and is giving a characteristically able administration on the bench. Judge Cowen has served also as a member of the city council of St. Clairsville, and also as a member of the board of education. He was chairman of the local committee that made a vigorous but unsuccessful effort to effect the removal of Franklin College from New Athens to St. Clairsville, and his influence and cooperation are ever given in support of measures and enterprises advanced for the general good of his home city and county. He is associated with his former law partner, Mr. Walker, in the ownership of the Belmont Chronicle, a weekly republican paper that was founded in 1813, and he is a contributor to the editorial columns of this excellent paper, besides writing special articles for the same. He is a member of the Arion Club of Wheeling, West Virginia. Judge Cowen held for several years the position of treasurer of the Belmont County Bar Association, in 1893 he became a member of the judicial committee of the Ohio State Bar Association, and in the year 1924 he is a member of its executive committee. In other counties he has served as special judge in the trial of a number of important cases. The judge is past chancellor commander of the local lodge of Knights of Pythias, is affiliated with Bellaire Lodge No. 419, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at St. Clairsville, he having been for several years teacher of the Men's Bible Class in its Sunday school. He has served as a member of the congressional and judicial committees of the republican party in his constituent districts.

February 21, 1890, recorded the marriage of Judge Cowen and Miss Estelle Kirk, daughter of the late Cyrus H. Kirk, who was for some time engaged in the mercantile business at St. Clairsville and who later figured as one of the representative farmers of Belmont County. Judge and Mrs. Cowen have three children: Elsie A. is the wife of Charles C. Bulger, superintendent of the Maher Mine Company at

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Bellaire, and they have one child, Beatrice. Beatrice, the younger daughter of Judge Cowen, remains at the parental home and was a student at the Ohio Wesleyan University. Martin Lindsey, the only son, is safety director for the Wheeling Traction Company at Martin's Ferry. He married Miss Agnes Trall, of St. Clairsville, and their children are two in number, Martin Lindsey, Jr., and Laura Lee.

Judge Cowen is an active member of the Kiwanis Club at Martin's Ferry, and in June, 1923, he was elected lieutenant governor of the Ohio organization of Kiwanis clubs for the year 1924. In the World war period the judge was active and influential in local patriotic service, was chairman of committees in charge of the Belmont County campaigns in support of the Government war bonds, and otherwise did much to further patriotic activities in this section of Ohio.

Walton Jay Walker, of St. Clairsville, has won a representative place as one of the able members of the bar of Belmont County, and in addition to his careful attention to his large and important law business he is the owner of the Belmont Chronicle, a well ordered weekly newspaper that was founded in the year 1813, and which is an effective exponent of community interests and of the principles of the republican party, Mr. Walker having the general management of this newspaper.

Mr. Walker was born on a farm near Bethesda, Belmont County, Ohio, November 24, 1887. On the same ancestral farmstead was born his father, Thomas A. Walker, who now resides upon his fine farm near St. Clairsville, and who gives special attention to dairy enterprise, with a select herd of Jersey cows. Thomas A. Walker is one of the substantial and highly esteemed citizens of his native county, is a stalwart republican, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His father, the late John Walker, was born and reared in England, and was a young man when he came to Ohio and settled on a farm in Belmont County, his old homestead being the place on which his grandson, Walton J., of this review, was born. John Walker was for some time a millworker in what is now the State of West Virginia, but the greater part of his active life was given to farm enterprise in Belmont County, Ohio. He represented the Buckeye State as a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war, in which he served three and one-half years. John Walker was loyally aligned in the ranks of the republican party, and was affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic. He was seventy-seven years of age at the time of his death. Thomas A. Walker married Miss Elizabeth Hill, who was born at Malaga, Monroe County, Ohio, and whose death occurred in 1910, when she was forty-three years of age, the subject of this sketch being the younger of the two children.

Walton J. Walker attended the public schools at Morristown and thereafter was a student in Muskingum and Athens colleges. He devoted six years to teaching in the public schools, mainly in rural districts, and by this means largely defrayed the expenses of his higher academic as well as his professional education. In 1912 he was graduated from the law department of Ohio Northern University at Ada, his admission to the Ohio bar having been virtually coincident with his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In the year of his graduation Mr. Walker became associated in the practice of law with Judge Warren W. Cowen, and this effective professional alliance, under the title of Cowen & Walker, continued until Judge Cowen assumed his present office, that of judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Belmont County, in 1921, a record of his career being given in the preceding sketch. Since 1921 Mr. Walker has continued in the practice of law in an individual way, is known as one of the most versatile and effective trial lawyers in this part of Ohio, and is retained as attorney for the United Mine Workers. In 1920 he was retained by the state as a special prosecutor in the famous John J. Morgan riot cases, and in this connection he was instrumental in gaining the only first degree labor convictions ever obtained in trials growing out of labor disturbances. Since this notable achievement he has been retained as attorney for the United Mine Workers. Mr. Walker has the most complete and comprehensive law library in Belmont County, and is a specially deep student of the science of jurisprudence. His general library likewise is one of exceptional scope and excellence.

Mr. Walker is one of the influential representatives of the republican party in his native county, and has served as secretary of the Republican County Committee and the Republican County Executive Committee, 1918-1920. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Thoburn Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church of St. Clairsville, and was chairman of the finance committee which made the remarkable drive that, in one day, cleared the indebtedness on the church property. Mr. Walker is most loyal to and appreciative of his native county, and as a citizen is distinctly liberal and progressive. He has valuable farm interests in Belmont County, and, as previously noted, is prominently identified with representative newspaper enterprise in his home city. He was active and prominent in furthering the various local patriotic activities incidental to the World war, was a four-minute speaker in the campaigns in support of the Government war bonds, and was chairman of the committee in charge of the drive for subscriptions to the War Savings Stamps. He was one of the organizers of the Community Club at St. Clairsville, and is a member of its executive committee. He is past chancellor commander of St. Clairsville Lodge No. 698, Knights of Pythias, and served two years as deputy grand chancellor of the Grand Lodge of this order in Ohio. He is affiliated also with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Walker wedded Miss Edna J. Bond, who likewise was born and reared in Belmont County, and who is a daughter of John A. Bond, a pioneer in modern dairy farming in this county, where he owns a large and splendidly improved dairy farm. Mr. Bond is a republican in political adherency, and he gave eighteen years of service as county surveyor of Belmont County. Mr. and Mrs. Walker have two children, John Thomas and Mary Elizabeth.

Adolph E. Munkel is one of the vital and progressive business men of Columbus, where he is president of the Munkel-Lamneck Company, furnace manufacturers and heating engineers.

Mr. Munkel was born at Port Washington, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, on the 25th of April, 1883, and is a son of Emil and Sarah (Barnhouse) Munkel, the former of whom was born in the City of Dresden, Saxony, Germany, and the latter of whom was born and reared in Ohio. The subject of this sketch has been a resident of Columbus since he was a lad of fifteen years, his educational advantages in his boyhood and youth having been those of the public schools, and his advancement in the domain of business having been gained through his own ability and well ordered efforts. For more than twenty years Mr. Munkel was associated with the W. E. Lamneck Company, manufacturers of coal and gas furnaces, and in the meanwhile he gained experience both in the office affairs of the concern and as a salesman of

its products. In 1918 he established the Munkel-Lamneck Company, which is incorporated under the Ohio laws, and of which he has been president from the time of organization. This company has developed a substantial business in the manufacturing of furnaces, and in the general handling and installing of coal and gas furnaces, radiant-fires, ranges, etc., besides controlling a prosperous business as heating and ventilating engineers. Mr. Munkel has long been known as an expert and an authority in these lines, and has won secure status as one of the loyal and progressive business men of the Ohio capital city. He was for two years president of the Ohio Sheet Metal Trades Association, is a member of the Exchange Club, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner, and is affiliated also with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In 1921 he was elected president of the Columbus Builders Exchange, and in his year of adminstration in this office he found another opportunity to manifest his marked civic loyalty. The maiden name of his wife was Emma Roehr, and they have one daughter, Josephine.

George Thornburg. The bar of Belmont County claims as one of its representative and popular members the native son whose name initiates this paragraph, and who is established in the successful general practice of law at St. Clairsville, the judicial center of the county.

Mr. Thornburg was born on a farm in Goshen Township, Belmont County, not far distant from the Village of Spiedel, and the date of his nativity was February 19, 1879. In the same township were born his parents, Carter and Mary C. (Stidd) Thornburg, representatives of old and honored families of this section of the Buckeye State. Carter Thornburg passed his entire life in Belmont County, where he was a successful exponent of farm industry, and he was sixty-one years of age at the time of his death, in 1888, his widow being still a resident of this county.

The boyhood experiences of George Thornburg were in close touch with the affairs of the home farm, and his initial educational discipline was obtained in the district schools. He early announced his ambition to become a lawyer, and to the achievement of this purpose he directed his efforts. After a course in the Belmont High School he gave three years of effective service as a teacher in the district schools, his earnings having been used to defray the expenses of his course in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1901 and with the degree of Bachelor of Science. Thereafter he read law under the able preceptorship of Hon. Charles J. Howard, and in the National Normal University at Lebanon, and upon his admission to the bar in 1904 he forthwith engaged in the practice of his profession at St. Clairsville. He soon made a record of successful achievement as a trial lawyer of exceptional resourcefulness, and his practice expanded in scope and importance with the passing years. In 1915 Mr. Thornburg was elected prosecuting attorney of Belmont County, and in this office he served two consecutive terms. In 1919 he became a member of the strong and influential law firm of Thornburg & Lewis, in which his coadjutor is Earl R. Lewis, and the firm controls a large and important law business, especially in the domain of corporation practice.

Mr. Thornburg served six years as secretary of the Republican Central Committee of Belmont County, and the year 1924 records him as chairman of this committee and also of the Republican Executive Committee of the county. He is a director of the First National Bank of St. Clairsville, is a member of the local Board of Education, and was for twelve years secretary of the Belmont County Bar Association. In the World war period Mr. Thornburg served as attorney for the draft board of Belmont County, was Government appeal agent for the county, and was zealous in the advancing of all patriotic measures in his native county. Mr. Thornburg was chairman of the building committee under the direction of which the beautiful Thoburn Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church at St. Clairsville was completed in 1923, both he and his wife being zealous members of this church and he having given seven years of service as Sunday school superintendent. He is affiliated with the local Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council of York Rite Masonry, is past high priest of the Chapter and past illustrious master of the Council.

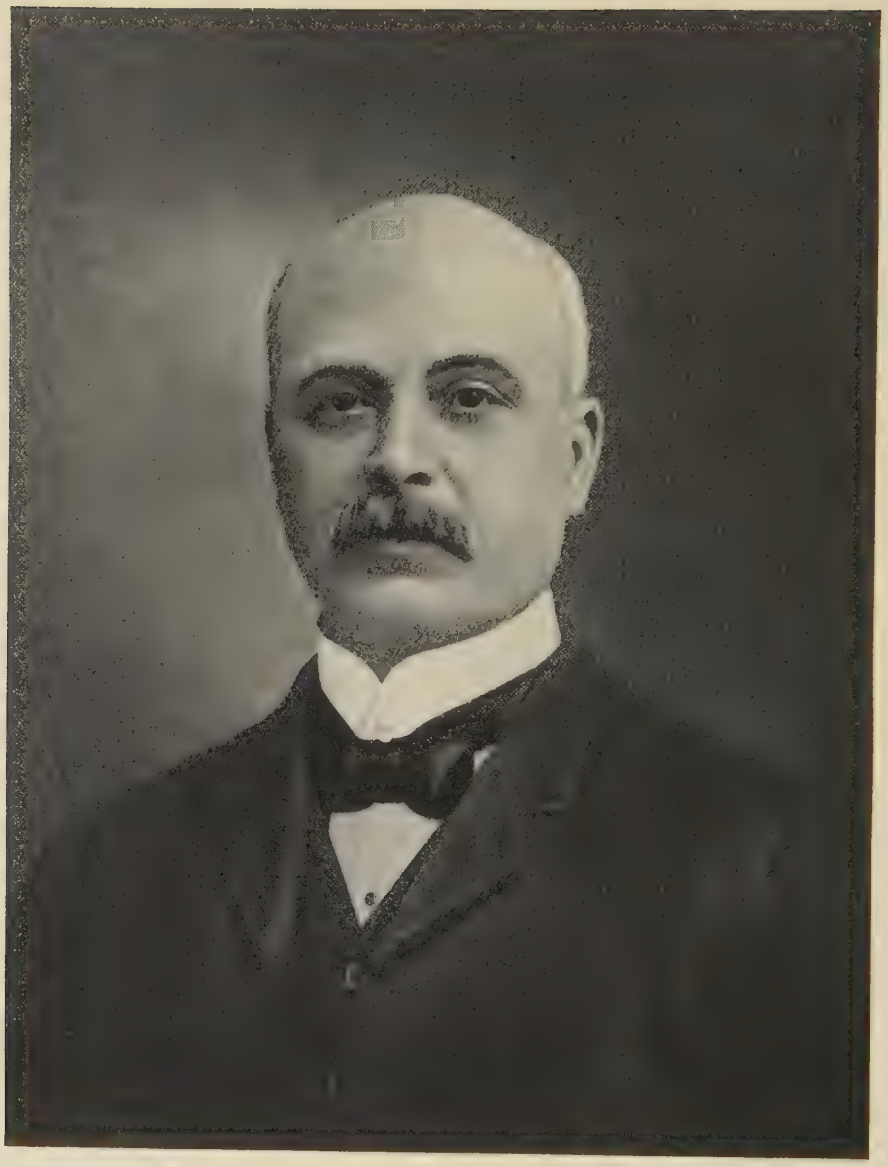
September 5, 1907, recorded the marriage of Mr. Thornburg and Miss Mary G. Thompson, who was born on the parental homestead farm near St. Clairsville, and who is a daughter of the late Thomas A. Thompson. Mr. Thompson was one of the representative farmers of Belmont County, and was sixty-five years of age at the time of his death, in 1896. Mr. and Mrs. Thornburg have three children: Carter, Glenn T. and Elizabeth Laura.

Emerson Campbell, who maintains his residence in the City of St. Clairsville, Belmont County, is prominently associated with coal mining interests, by reason of his holding the responsible office of tax agent for the Pittsburgh Vein Operators' Association of Ohio.

Mr. Campbell was born near Moorefield, Harrison County, Ohio, on the 18th of June, 1871, the fourth in order of birth of the five children of John and Mary E. Campbell, the former of whom was born in Graysville, Monroe County, Ohio, and the latter of whom was born in Harrison County. In 1881 John Campbell came with his family to Belmont County, where he became a successful contractor and builder and where he continued to reside until his death in 1908, at the age of seventy-six years. His widow is a resident of St. Clairsville and is eighty-four years of age at the time of this writing, in the winter of 1923-1924. John Campbell was of Scotch ancestry and was a representative of a sterling pioneer family of Washington County, Pennsylvania. He was an earnest member of the Presbyterian Church, as is also his venerable widow.

The public schools of Flushing, Belmont County, afforded Emerson Campbell his early education, and thereafter he completed a course in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. As a registered pharmacist he was employed in turn at Flushing and Martin's Ferry, Ohio, and Wheeling, West Virginia, and he then made a radical change of vocation by taking the position of local news editor at Martin's Ferry for the Wheeling Register. He retained this position four years, and for the ensuing six years was retained in a similar capacity by the Wheeling Intelligencer. He served two terms as county auditor of Belmont County, 1911-1915, and besides having given a most effective administration he had the distinction of having been the first democrat to be elected to this office in this republican county in a period of nearly twenty years. While he was incumbent of this office Mr. Campbell was instrumental in securing for Belmont County the improvement of twenty-seven miles of the National Road, and secured from the state its first appropriation from the state half-mill good road levy for roads, giving to Belmont County the distinction of being the first county in Ohio to pave its entire mileage of the National Road, at a cost of about $900,000.

In 1917 Mr. Campbell became special accountant in the service of the Ohio State Tax Commission, and he retained this position until 1919, when he resigned



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and returned to Belmont County, in the capacity of tax agent for the Pittsburgh Vein Operators' Association of Ohio. In this executive office Mr. Campbell has charge of all tax matters and tax legislation for the coal operators of this association in Belmont, Harrison and Jefferson counties. Mr. Campbell also owns and publishes the St. Clairsville Gazette. This paper was the first to be published in Belmont County, having been established in 1812.

Mr. Campbell was one of the most influential figures in the organizing of the Community Club of St. Clairsville, became its first president, and had much to do with the formulating of its progressive civic policies and social facilities, the club being an important feature of progressive movements in St. Clairsville and Belmont County. Mr. Campbell has a fine fruit orchard near his home city, and in the care and improvement of the same he takes the deepest interest as an enthusiastic horticulturist. He is a trustee of the Public Affairs Committee of St. Clairsville and also of the Thoburn Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he and his wife are zealous members.

At Martin's Ferry, Ohio, on the 19th of October, 1906, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Campbell and Miss Rachel A. Duff, who was there born and reared. Mrs. Campbell is a daughter of the late William and Mahala (Fisher) Duff, the former of whom was born in Maryland and the latter at Steubenville, Ohio. William Duff was a young man when he came to Ohio and established his residence in Mt. Pleasant. When the Civil war was precipitated he promptly tendered his service in defense of the Union, and he served during virtually the entire period of conflict, as a member of the Ninety-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He became a successful contractor and builder, and was one of the venerable and honored citizens of Martin's Ferry, Belmont County, at the time of his death, in 1920. He passed away at the age of eighty-four years, and his widow was eighty-three years of age at the time of her death, in 1922. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell have two children: John William and Jean Fisher.

The original American ancestor of Mr. Campbell on the paternal side came in an early day from Scotland and settled in Pennsylvania, and it was from the old Keystone State that the first representatives of the family in Ohio came in the pioneer period of the history of the latter commonwealth.

JOHN BAKER BARNES for many years has been one of the conspicuous business men and citizens of the old town of Barnesville, in Belmont County, a community famous for its notable men and women, and founded and named in honor of a member of the Barnes family.

John Baker Barnes was born in Warren Township of Belmont County, February 27, 1857. His parents were Joshua and Jane (Shotwell) Barnes. Joshua Barnes was born at Kent, Ohio, in 1818, and in 1824 accompanied the family to Barnesville, a town that had been laid out by his cousin, James Barnes, in 1808. Joshua Barnes was a carpenter and builder by trade, and a very influential citizen of Barnesville. He lived in one house in that town for fifty-six years. He was a member of the Home Guards Company during the Civil war, was a republican, and one of the leading members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His wife was likewise active in church work, and was one of the organizers of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union at Barnesville. Joshua Barnes died in 1880 and his wife, in 1901, at the age of eighty years. They had a family of seven sons, John Baker being the fifth in age.

Mr. Barnes had only the advantages of the public schools at Barnesville, and when he was fifteen he started a practical apprenticeship to learn the carpenter and builder's trade by working with his father. When he was nineteen he took up the study of dentistry, spending two years with his brother, Dr. Henry F. Barnes, and another year under Doctor Taft of Cincinnati. From 1879 to 1884 Doctor Barnes had a successful dental practice at Barnesville, and from 1884 to 1886 followed his profession at Omaha, Nebraska. Then came a serious breakdown in health, and it became necessary to take up outdoor work. For two years he was employed in carpentry and construction work with the Union Pacific Hotel Company, doing work along the Union Pacific Railroad from Omaha to Salt Lake City. From 1893 to 1900 Mr. Barnes was at Chicago, as foreman and superintendent of construction with the Fuller Construction Company, one of the largest contracting firms in the Middle West. With the benefit of this unusual experience he returned to Barnesville in 1900 and took up general contracting on his own account. For a number of years he had a large business, putting up store buildings, homes and various industrial plants. Since 1921 Mr. Barnes has confined his attention to a general insurance and real estate business. In real estate he handles his own property, and is the owner of considerable real estate at Barnesville.

He was identified with all phases of the patriotic program during the World war. He has been a worker in republican politics, serving on the County Central Committee, and was a member of the City Council from 1904 to 1910. On November 7, 1923, he was elected mayor of Barnesville, on an independent ticket, with a platform calling for tax reduction, law enforcement and a common sense business administration. Mr. Barnes is a member of Warren Lodge No. 76, Knights of Pythias, and has represented Bellaire Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in a state convention. He was one of the organizers and the first president of the Barnesville Aerie of the Eagles, and took an active part in their campaign for an old age pension movement. He is also a member of the Barnesville Loyal Order of Moose. His hobby and recreation is the care and superintendance of a small orchard near his home. As a young man he was a member for five years of a local military company known as Tom Young Guards.

Mr. Barnes married at Barnesville, in 1880, Miss Laura B. Dalls, who died in 1907. In 1908 he married Mrs. Catherine Dement McGinnis, who was born and reared at Barnesville, where her father, William Dement, was a merchant and later for many years conducted a meat market. Mrs. Barnes has been prominent in the varied branches of organized woman's work in Barnesville, serving as chairman of the Red Cross during the World war, as chairman of the Woman's Republican Committee, is active in the missionary and other societies of the Methodist Church, and has been identified since its organization with the Pythian sisters.

HON. DAYTON A. DOYLE was for a quarter of a century one of the prominent attorneys of the Akron bar, being member of one of the most prominent law firms of that section of the state. He also served as judge of the Court of Common Pleas.

Judge Doyle was born in Summit County, September 27, 1856, and died February 28, 1920. His parents, William B. and Harriet S. Doyle, were early settlers in Summit County. His father was a pioneer in the lumber business in Northern Ohio. Dayton A. Doyle acquired a public school education, graduating from the Akron High School in 1874, and in 1878 received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Buchtel College of Akron. He then entered the Cincinnati Law School, graduating Bachelor of

Laws in 1880 and being admitted to the bar by the Supreme Court at Columbus on May 27, 1880. Subsequently Buchtel College bestowed upon him the degree Doctor of Laws. For several years he was one of the trustees of Buchtel College.

Judge Doyle opened his law offices in 1885, in partnership with Maj. Frederick C. Bryan. In the same year he was elected city solicitor, an office he held until 1889. Charles Dick became a member of the law firm, and the firm of Dick, Doyle & Bryan was one of the highest standing and continued until Mr. Dick was elected to represent Ohio in the United States Senate. From 1898 to 1906 Judge Doyle was referee in bankruptcy in Summit County, and in the latter year was elected judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the Eighth Subdivision of the Fourth Judicial District. He was reelected in 1912, and completed two terms in the office, retiring in 1918.

Other activities serve to make his name notable in the citizenship of Summit County. He was the first president of the Summit County Bank, which was later consolidated with the Ohio State Bank and Trust Company, one of the largest banking institutions of Summit County. For many years he was president of the Glendale Cemetery Association, and was a director of a number of other organizations. The social and fraternal organizations in which he was active included the Elks, Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was one of the original members of the Summit County Bar Association and was active in the First Methodist Church.

Judge Doyle possessed estimable qualities of mind and heart, and exemplified those attributes found in the successful practitioner and able and important jurist. Equipped with nature's best endowments, supplemented by an intellectual and legal training acquired by a life of industry and study, he brought to his judicial duties all those qualities which served to make for him an enviable record as a judge. He was diligent and painstaking in his work, and was intellectually and judicially honest with himself as well as with the body of the public which he served faithfully and well in various positions of public trust. As a citizen he was patriotic; in his personal relations, of good conduct and example, and he left behind him achievements worthy of the ambition of those who are to succeed him in the fulfillment of the duties and responsibilities of life.

On April 23, 1884, Judge Doyle married Miss Ida M. Westfall. He was survived by his wife and six children, the children being Dayton A., Jr., Arthur W., Frank (who passed away January 23, 1924, at St. Augustine, Florida), Mrs. Harold Dalzell, Miss Harriet K. and Miss Ruth.

Arthur William Doyle, son of the late Judge Dayton A. Doyle, has given a good account of himself in the legal profesion. He is the present prosecuting attorney of Summit County, and is a veteran of the World war.

He was born at Akron, November 3, 1893. His education was acquired in public schools, then in Cornell University, where he graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1915, and in 1917 received his law degree from Western Reserve University at Cleveland.

In July, 1917, he was called to the colors for duty in the World war, being with the One Hundred Thirty-fifth Field Artillery. Becoming first lieutenant of the Sixteenth Field Artillery, in command of the battery, he served overseas, and after the armistice was with the Army of Occupation in Germany until July, 1919.

After the war he engaged in private law practice with the firm of Allen, Waters Young and Andress. In 1920 he was elected prosecuting attorney of Summit County, and has also served as a member of the Civil Service Commission, and is a director of the Ohio State Bank and Trust Company. In 1924 he was candidate for the republican nomination for Congress in the Fourteenth Ohio District.

Mr. Doyle is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a charter member of the Tadmor Temple of Akron, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, belongs to the Portage Club and the Akron City Club, and his diversions are golf, hunting and horseback riding. He is a member of the Summit County, Ohio State and the American Bar associations. Mr. Doyle is commander of the Joseph Wein Post of the Veterans of Foreign wars, and a member of the Ohio Commandery of the Veterans of Foreign wars. He also belongs to the American Legion.

Albert Lewis Bumgarner. The year 1924 marks the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the First National Bank of St. Clairsville, Belmont County, and of this old and substantial financial institution Mr. Bumgarner has been the cashier since 1920, on December 16th of which year he resigned the office of clerk of the courts of Belmont County, a position to which he was elected in 1918 and the duties of which he assumed in August, 1919, his resignation taking place when he was elected cashier of the First National Bank. This bank bases its operations on a capital stock of $150,000, its surplus fund likewise is $150,000, and its undivided profits are in excess of $50,000. Its individual deposits at the close of the year 1923 totaled $468,432.26, subject to check, and its certificate deposits aggregated $345,942.12.

Albert L. Bumgarner was born at St. Clairsville, judicial center of Belmont County, Ohio, on the 14th of August, 1871, and is a son of George P. and Mary (Gleaves) Bumgarner, the original spelling of the family name in Switzerland having been Baumgardner. Harvey R. Bumgarner, the founder of the family in America, first settled in Greene County, Pennsylvania, and thence he came eventually to Ohio. George P. Bumgarner was seventeen years of age when he enlisted for service as a soldier of the Union in the Civil war. He became a member of the Fourteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and with this command participated in many engagements, including those of Sherman's historic Georgia campaign. Mr. Bumgarner and his wife still reside at St. Clairsville, as venerable and honorable citizens who have here maintained their home for many years. Mr. Bumgarner early learned the trade of shoemaker, and he followed the same as a vocation for a term of years. He is an uncompromising advocate of the principles of the republican party, has given yeoman service in behalf of its cause, and he served two terms as postmaster of St. Clairsville. He is actively affiliated with the local post of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Albert L. Bumgarner continued his studies in the public schools of St. Clairsville until he had duly profited by the advantages of the high school, and thereafter he completed a course in a leading business college in the City of Cincinnati. He soon afterward entered service as court reporter, and in this important capacity he continued his effective work until 1898, when he obtained a year's leave of absence and assumed the position of stenographer in the office of the secretary of war at Washington, D. C. He was selected by Col. Tasker H. Bliss, of the United States Army, to accompany this distinguished officer as secretary when he went to Cuba, in connection with the Spanish-American war. Mr. Bumgarner thus passed about nine months in Cuba, and on the 1st of January, 1899, he had the distinction and honor of raising the United States Flag over the building of the treas-

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ury department in the City of Havana, when that city was taken over by the United States Army forces. Impaired health compelled him to return to the United States in July, 1899, and the Flag which he had raised in Havana, as above noted, was presented to him by Colonel Bliss. This historic souvenir Mr. Bumgarner later presented to the Ohio Historical Society, and it is now preserved in the rooms of this society in the City of Columbus. After his return to his native county Mr. Bumgarner resumed his service as court reporter, and he made a record of twenty-seven years of efficient administration in this office. In this connection he reported many important cases in the various counties of Ohio and also in West Virginia. Mr. Bumgarner has never wavered in his allegiance to the republican party, has been influential in its local councils and campaign work, and twice served as secretary of the Republican County Committee of Belmont County. He is an honorary member of the Belmont County Bar Association, of which he is treasurer for the year 1924. In 1918 he was elected clerk of the courts for Belmont County, and this office he retained until his resignation to assume the position of cashier of the First National Bank, as previously mentioned in this context. Mr. Bumgarner has been an enthusiastic student of the history of the Civil war, has collected a library of more than 200 volumes pertaining to the war, besides having many material trophies of the great conflict. He is affiliated with Belmont Lodge No. 16, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; St. Clairsville Chapter No. 17, Royal Arch Masons; Belmont Council No. 16, Royal and Select Masters; and Hope Commandery No. 26, Knights Templar. He is past chancellor commander of the local lodge of Knights of Pythias, and takes special satisfaction in being a member of the society of the Sons of the American Revolution, his eligibility for which is based on the service of his maternal great-grandfather, Peter Tates, who was a member of the Second New Jersey Regiment, Continental Line, in the great struggle for national independence.

Mr. Bumgarner is vice president of the St. Clairsville Community Club, a vigorous civic and social body, has served as a member of the city council, and was formerly president of the public service board of St. Clairsville. He is the owner of a fine orchard of sixty acres near his home city, and there raises the best types of the Rome Beauty, Grimes Golden, Winesaps and other apples.

In the City of Cincinnati was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Bumgarner and Miss Ida Lee Rand, who was born in Charleston, West Virginia, a daughter of Henry and Alice (McArthur) Rand, the latter's father having served as president of the Kentucky State Senate. Henry Rand was born at Charleston, West Virginia, and was a soldier of the Confederacy in the Civil war, as an officer of the Twenty-second Virginia Infantry. After the war he served as sheriff at Charleston, West Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Bumgarner have one son, Rand Bliss, who is (1924) a student in the agricultural department of the Ohio State University.

Benjamin Ruggles Johnston, who maintained his home at St. Clairsville, judicial center of Belmont County, throughout the course of a signally useful and honorable life, who became one of the leading business men of this attractive little city, and whose death here occurred in 1897, was a representative of one of the old and honored families of this section of Ohio. He was born in Belmont County, in the year 1844, and was named in honor of Hon. Benjamin Ruggles, the first United States senator from Ohio. Mr. Johnston became a specially skillful cabinetmaker, and was in the early days the leading manufacturer of furniture and coffins in Belmont County. When the Civil war was precipitated on a divided nation he promptly subordinated all personal interests to tender his aid in defense of the Union. Early in 1861 he enlisted as a member of Company A, Twenty-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and he served during virtually the entire period of the war, the full tension of which he endured through participation in many battles and campaigns, he having received his honorable discharge at Louisville, Kentucky, July 13, 1865.

After the close of his valiant career as a soldier of the Union Mr. Johnston returned to St. Clairsville, and in 1869 he here engaged in the funiture and undertaking business. The high grade products turned out from his establishment gained him prestige and business support throughout many counties in Eastern Ohio and also in the nearby counties of West Virginia. He was an expert cabinetmaker, as previously intimated, and as such would not permit any inferior work to be sold in his place of business. His pride in the high grade products turned out by him fully justified the reputation he gained in this connection and the worthy success that he won. His son Albert was but a boy when he began to learn the details of the furniture and undertaking business, and upon the death of the father in 1897, Albert Johnston assumed control of the well established furniture and undertaking business, which he continued in an individual way until 1920, when he retired from the active management, which he turned over to his sons, the enterprise having since been continued under the title of Albert Johnston & Sons. In the handling of high grade furniture and the conducting of an undertaking department with the best facilities he built up a business that in scope and importance was excelled by none other of like order in Eastern Ohio. He was the pioneer not only in Ohio but also in the Middle West in adopting the arterial system of embalming, and he utilized other modern and approved methods and accessories in connection with his undertaking business. In 1920 Albert Johnston & Sons took possession of the present three-story brick building in which the business of the firm is conducted and which is metropolitan in equipment, facilities and service. Mr. Johnston was the first funeral director in Eastern Ohio to provide his establishment with automobile hearse and other motor equipment. He has figured as one of the liberal, progressive and loyal citizens and leading business men of St. Clairsville, where he and his wife still maintain their home and where he is now living virtually retired. Mr. Johnston is a member of the Blue Lodge of Masonry. Mrs. Johnston, whose maiden name was Nora Meyers, likewise was born and reared in Belmont County, and of the four children the two daughters are Mrs. E. J. Hatcher, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. R. C. Emblen, of Wheeling, West Virginia. The two sons, Lowell J. and Faris Harwood, have the active management of the furniture and undertaking business with which the family name has here been identified for three successive generations. Lowell J. Johnston, a licensed embalmer, has charge of the furniture department of the business. Faris H., who was born July 16, 1900, is in charge of the undertaking department of the firm's business. After his course in the St. Clairsville High School Faris H. Johnston was for one year a student in the Western Reserve University, and incidentally later he there served as sergeant in the Students Officers Training Corps in the World war period. In 1921 he was graduated from the Ohio College of Embalming in the City of Columbus, he having with his brother become in the preceding year a member of the firm of Albert Johnston & Sons, as previously stated in this review.

Faris H. Johnston is affiliated with the Sigma Chi college fraternity, the Masonic fraternity, the

Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and St. Clairsville Post No. 112, American Legion. His brother, Lowell J., is a member of the Chapter and Council of York Rite Masonry, and is also a member of the Knights of Pythias and St. Clairsville Post American Legion No. 112.

Faris H. Johnston wedded Miss Gertrude Boggs, daughter of F. W. Boggs, who is manager of the Boggs Mercantile Company of St. Clairsville. Mrs. Johnston is the only woman in Eastern Ohio who is a licensed embalmer, she having been graduated in 1922 in the same school of embalming as was her husband in Ohio's capital city, and her gracious service constituting an important feature of the undertaking business of the firm of Albert Johnston & Sons.

Jesse Thomas McCartney, M. D. A prominent physician and surgeon of Barnesville, where he has practiced more than twenty years, Doctor McCartney represents a pioneer family of Belmont County, the McCartneys having long been known for their prominence in industry and commercial affairs not only in Eastern Ohio but in other states.

Doctor McCartney was born at Barnesville, May 10, 1873, son of William Heslop and Martha French (Hunt) McCartney. His father was born at Hendrysburg, Belmont County, in 1840, and his mother was born in Belmont County in 1842, and died in 1915. William H. McCartney in early life was a contractor, building pike roads, later built a section of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway, and then became a successful figure in the lumber industry of Wisconsin. His home was at Medford, Wisconsin, and he remained there seven or eight years. Returning to Ohio, he engaged in farming at North Salem in Guernsey County, and finally retired to Barnesville, where he died in 1901, at the age of sixty-one. He was an active member of the Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Jesse Thomas McCartney acquired his public school education in Guernsey County, and spent two years in Franklin College at New Athens in Harrison County. For a time he was a student in a business college at Green Bay, Wisconsin, taking the course there to prepare himself for duties in the McCartney National Bank of Green Bay. Instead, however, he went to Thomasville, Georgia, and for three years was manager of the McCartney plantation in that state. He gave up his business engagement to enter the Medical College of Ohio at Cincinnati, where he was graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1903.

In the same year he located at Barnesville, and has handled an extensive general practice. His specialty is obstetrics. He had a service record in the World war, being commissioned a captain in the medical corps on June 21, 1918. He was sent to Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, for training as a medical officer, and then to Camp Sherman, Ohio, where he became commanding officer of Base Hospital No. 149, and served in that capacity until discharged December 14, 1918. He is a member of the American Legion, the Military Surgeons of the United States, and the Belmont County, Eighth District, Ohio State and American Medical associations. He is also a member of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Surgeons Association.

As a hobby and recreation as well as a matter of profits Doctor McCartney owns and operates a fine dairy farm at Barnesville, having a herd of fifty Jersey cows and producing milk of the highest standard of purity. He is a member of the Barnesville Rotary Club and has charge of the club's work for crippled children. His vacations are spent in Northern Ontario, where he hunts big game, and he has several splendid moose and caribou heads. Fraternally he is affiliated with Friendship Lodge No. 89, Free and Accepted Masons, Barnesville Chapter No. 69, Royal Arch Masons, Barnesville Council No. 97, Royal and Select Masons, Cambridge Commandery No. 47, Knights Templar, Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He also belongs to the Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, being eligible for membership in this order through his great-grandfather, William French, who served as a bugler with Maryland troops in the war for Independence. Doctor McCartney has one son, Charles McCartney.

Roy W. Schertzer has practiced law in the industrial city of Bellaire for over twenty years. His work has brought him recognition as one of the leaders of the Belmont County bar, and he has earned his reputation and success almost entirely within the limits of his profession and not in politics or business.

Mr. Schertzer was born on a farm at Mount Victory, Hardin County, Ohio, September 21, 1875. His parents were Simon and Belle (Carraher) Schertzer. His father was born in Stark County, Ohio, and was brought to Hardin County, Ohio, when four years of age. He served as a Union soldier in the Civil war, and was one of Hardin County's substantial men of agriculture, in his later years devoting his time to fruit and berry growing. He finally retired to Ada, where he died in 1916, at the age of seventy-six. He was a republican in politics. His wife was born in Indiana, and died at Ada in 1922, at the age of seventy-eight.

Second in a family of four children, Roy W. Schertzer was reared on a farm, attended country schools and subsequently the public schools of Ada. He early determined to become a lawyer, but before qualifying for the profession he spent seven years as a teacher in country schools in Hardin and Marion counties, in the meantime keeping up his law studies. He is a graduate of the law school of Ohio Northern University at Ada, where he obtained his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1903. In the same year he was admitted to the bar and began practice at Bellaire, and has always maintained a general practice. He is a director of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Bellaire.

Mr. Schertzer is a republican, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with Lodge No. 419 of the Order of Elks at Bellaire, and Bellaire Lodge, No. 378, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married at Bellaire, June 24, 1915, Miss Mabel Waddell, a sister of Paul V. Waddell, present city attorney of Ballaire. They have one daughter, Eleanor Schertzer.

Clifford Levin Belt in twenty years of successful law practice at Bellaire has accumulated many interests, professional, commercial and civic, and is one of the men of solid worth and prominence in that important industrial community of Eastern Ohio.

Mr. Belt was born in Center Township, Monroe County, Ohio, July 15, 1877. His grandfather, Benjamin Middleton Belt, was of English ancestry, a native of Maryland, and settled in Ohio in 1821, spending the rest of his life as a farmer in Center Township of Monroe County. Cornelius Levin Belt, father of the Bellaire attorney, was born in Monroe County, and was educated in a famous school of the time, Springdale Academy. Though he owned a farm in Center Township, his active life was devoted to the cause of education. For over forty years he taught in village schools in Monroe County, but spent his last years retired at Bellaire, where he died in 1921, at the age of seventy-nine. He was an active member of the Methodist Church. Cornelius L. Belt married Mary Catherine Wiley, who was born in Monroe County

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and is now living at Bellaire. Her parents came to Ohio from Pennsylvania.

Clifford Levin Belt, one of eight children, grew up near the old Ohio village of Woodsfield, where he attended the local schools. After leaving high school he entered Ohio Northern University at Ada, and was graduated with the law degree in 1902. He stood at the head of his law class of twenty-one at the state bar examination, and soon afterward engaged in private practice at Bellaire. For a number of years he has specialized in corporation law, and is attorney for and has financial interests in business organizations, manufacturing industries, coal companies and also in farming lands. He is a director of the First National Bank, the strongest bank in Belmont County, The Shadyside Bank, and in May, 1921, he helped organize and is vice president of the Union Savings Bank of Bellaire.

In 1923 he served as president of the Bellaire Chamber of Commerce, and has been a director of that organization from the beginning. He was chairman of several of the war drives in his locality, and was a member of district No. 2 draft board in Belmont County. As an active democrat he was a delegate to the national convention at San Francisco in 1920, and was twice elected city solicitor of Bellaire, in 1908 and 1912. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Americus Club, Masonic order and is past chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias, and is affiliated with the Elks. He is vice president of the Belmont County Bar Association, is a member of the Ohio State and American Bar associations, and is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Bellaire and teacher of the Woman's Bible Class. He had some experience as a teacher in the public schools in Monroe County before completing his college education.

On October 4, 1910, Mr. Belt married Miss Carrie L. Neff, of Bellaire, a member of a prominent pioneer family of that name in Belmont County. Mrs. Belt takes an active interest in women's club work and the Presbyterian Church. The five children of Mr. and Mrs. Belt are: Robert Weir, Richard Levin, Nancy Lee, David Homer and Frederick Addison.

Chester Cyrus Sedgwick is an attorney practicing at Bellaire, is secretary-treasurer of the Daily Times Company of Martins Ferry, and an ex-service man of the great war.

He represents a prominent family of this section of Ohio, and was born on a farm near Blaine, in Richland Township of Belmont County, December 5, 1887. His father, Leroy Cyrus Sedgwick, who was born at Otsego, Ohio, served two terms as deputy and two terms as sheriff of Belmont County, was a farmer in early life, and on March 2, 1892, established the Daily Times at Martins Ferry and was actively connected with that newpaper until 1900. He has been retired since that year. During the Civil war he was a lieutenant of infantry in the Union army. He has served as a trustee of the Ohio State School for the Blind, is a republican in politics, and a Mason. He married Sarah Ann Maycox, who was born at Middlesex, Pennsylvania, and is now living at Martins Ferry. They have nine children, Chester C. being the youngest.

Chester C. Sedgwick spent his boyhood days on a farm. He was educated in the country schools until eleven years of age, graduated from the Martins Ferry High School in 1905, and had a thorough training in the newspapers business on the Martins Ferry Daily Times while attending public school and college. He was graduated Bachelor of Arts from Ohio State University in 1910, and received his law degree from the law department of Ohio State in 1912. He is a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity, and has served as president of both these organizations and also as president of the Sphinx Society and the Pan Hellenic Society at Ohio State.

Mr. Sedgwick has been engaged in the general practice of law at Bellaire since 1912. In addition he is secretary-treasurer of the Daily Times Company of Martins Ferry, and is a director of the Stanton Heater Company. He is a member of the Belmont County Bar and of the Ohio State and American Bar associations.

On January 5, 1918, he entered Camp Sherman, and was commissioned second lieutenant of infantry at Camp Lee, Virginia, July 1, 1918. On July 3 he was transferred to Camp Sevier at Greenville, South Carolina, and in September, 1918, was promoted to adjutant of the Fifty-ninth Machine Gun Battalion of the Twentieth Division, serving in that capacity until his discharge on January 13, 1919. He is a member of the Bellaire Post, No. 52, American Legion.

Mr. Sedgwick was appointed city attorney of Bellaire June 13, 1919, and was regularly elected to that office in November, discharging its duties until 1921. He has served as a member of the Republican County Executive Committee, and is a member of the Kiwanis Club, Americus Club, the Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with Bellaire Lodge, No. 267, Free and Accepted Masons; Bellaire Chapter, No. 107, Royal Arch Masons, and Bellaire Lodge, No. 419, Benevolent and Protective Orders of Elks.

He married at Riverside, California, April 18, 1921, Miss Kitty Marie Hall, who was born and reared at Martins Ferry, Ohio, where her father, W. Harmon Hall, for some years practiced as a dental surgeon, but who later became a resident of San Diego, California.

Robert T. Crew, now trust officer of the Citizens Trust and Savings Bank of Columbus, gained a state wide reputation through his former connection with the banking and insurance departments of the state, and is one of the best qualified men for his present work in Columbus.

Mr. Crew was born at Zanesville, Ohio, and represents families of pioneer and other distinctions in Morgan County. His father, the late Joshua T. Crew, and his grandfather were born in Morgan County and earned high places in the law. A cousin of Robert T. Crew was Judge W. B. Crew, who was born in Morgan County, in the old Chester Hill community, and served twenty years on the bench, at first as judge of the Court of Common Pleas and from 1902 until his death in 1912 as a judge of the Ohio Supreme Court. The mother of Robert T. Crew, Mary (Williams) Crew, also represented a family that moved into the Chester Hill community of Morgan County more than a century ago.

Robert T. Crew was educated in the public schools of Zanesville. After graduating from high school he spent two years at Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pennsylvania. He later entered the newspaper field in Zanesville, moving to Columbus in 1910, where he was employed as a reporter and later as assistant city editor of the Columbus Citizen. In 1912 he was appointed private secretary to Congressman George White, of Marietta. Two years later he entered the College of Law at Ohio State University, and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1916.

In 1917 he was appointed executive secretary to Governor Cox. He joined the army during the World war, being commissioned first lieutenant in Field Artillery. After getting his honorable discharge he resumed his work in the Governor's office, and left that to accept the position of attorney-examiner in the Ohio Department of Banks and Banking. Subsequently he was promoted to superintendent of the

Ohio Insurance Department. He resigned to become identified with The Union Trust Company of Cleveland, and his success in that, one of the most successful trust organizations in the country, brought him promotion to the office of assistant secretary. He resigned as assistant secretary to become head of the trust department of the Citizens Trust & Savings Bank of Columbus on August 1, 1923. As trust officer he supervises all phases of the bank's activities in insurance trusts, corporate trusts, safe-keeping and agency accounts, living trusts, trusteeships under wills, and the other services usually found in such departments. Mr. Crew is a member of the Athletic Club, Young Business Men's Club, the Mason fraternity, the Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Phi.

Paul Vane Waddell was born in Belmont County. Largely through his own efforts he acquired a liberal education, subsequently graduating from law school, and for the past six years has been one of the leading attorneys and men of affairs at Bellaire. He is a former member of the Legislature.

Mr. Waddell was born on a farm near Lamira, in Richland Township, Belmont County, March 29, 1887, son of Frank Scott and Mary (Parkinson) Waddell. His parents are natives and lifelong residents of Belmount County. His father has devoted his active life to farming, and for thirty-five years was a member of the school board. He is a democrat and a Methodist.

Fourth in a family of seven children, Paul V. Waddell grew up on his father's farm, attended the country schools and St. Clairsville High School, and supplemented such assistance as his parents could afford him by his own earnings to put him through college. He taught for a year, then attended Muskingum College, and subsequently Ohio Wesleyan University, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1911. In university he was president of the Jesters Club. He took his law course in Ohio University, graduating Bachelors of Laws in 1914, and in December of the same year engaged in practice at Bellaire. He continued his work as a general practitioner until May, 1917, when he entered the First Officers Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis. After some weeks of training he was discharged for physical disability, and had to be satisfied with a very active part in home war campaigns. He has since practiced law at Bellaire. He was chosen to represent Belmont County in the Ohio State Legislature in 1917-18, and in 1921 was elected and in 1923 reelected city solicitor of Bellaire. He has served on the County Central Committee of the democratic party.

Mr. Waddell is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, the Americus Club, the American Legion and the Presbyterian Church. He is affiliated with Bellaire Lodge, No. 419, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. So far as his work as a busy attorney permits, he spends much of his time outdoors and is a follower of all the outdoor sports.

Mr. Waddell married Miss Grace Robinson, who was born and reared at Bellaire. They have two children, Pauline and Frank Scott.

Henry Duane Cowen is a member of a prominent insurance firm of Bellaire, Ohio, and is one of the well-known young business and civic leaders of that Eastern Ohio city.

Mr. Cowen was born at Flushing, in Belmont County, October 10, 1888. His grandfather, Duane D. Tompkins Cowen, was a veteran of the Civil war from Belmont County. The father, Duane Tompkins Cowen, was born at St. Clairsville in Belmont County, and for a number of years was actively engaged in the insurance business at Bellaire, under the name Cowen & Company. Since 1913 he has been cashier of the Dollar Savings Bank and secretary of the Peoples Savings & Loan Association at Flushing. He is a member of the Masonic Order and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Duane T. Cowen married Belle Meyer, a native of St. Clairsville, who died in 1921.

Henry Duane Cowen attended the Bellaire High School, and in 1910 garduated with the Bachelor of Science degree from the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. He is a member of the Phi Kappa Psi college fraternity.

Mr. Cowen, before completing his college course, had considerable experience in the insurance business, and for several years past has been secretary of the Cowen-Dickens Company, a general insurance agency, writing insurance of every kind.

Mr. Cowen is a charter member and was president in 1923 of the Kiwanis Club of Bellaire. He is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church, president of the Americus Club (1924) and during the World war was active in the various drives.

He married Miss Ada Robinson, of Bellaire. Their four children are Elizabeth Jane, Duane Tompkins, Robert Henry and George T.

Carl Henry Koch was an artillery officer in the American forces abroad during the World war, is one of the most active among the progressive younger generation in the commercial and civic life of Bellaire.

He was born at New Waterford, in Columbiana County, Ohio, January 22, 1893, son of Jacob Henry and Elizabeth (Garlach) Koch, natives of Columbiana County, where they have spent their lives. His father for over forty years was a carriage manufacturer, and is president of the New Waterford Savings Bank. He has been mayor of New Waterford, and is active in the Lutheran Church and the democratic party.

One of a family of five children, Carl Henry Koch aspired when a boy to enter the banking profession. He was liberally educated, attending public schools, the Salem Business College, and in 1915 graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree from Mount Union College at Alliance. He was a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity and the College Debating Team.

Mr. Koch was first connected with the citizenship of Bellaire as teacher of mathematics and bookkeeping in the Bellaire High School. Two years later America entered the struggle against the Central Powers, and he attended the Officers Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, being commissioned as second lieutenant in artillery. He was attached to Battery B of the Seventy-ninth Field Artillery, went overseas with that organization, and was transferred to headquarters, Seventh Field Artillery Brigade at Camp Meucon, France. He was also promoted to first lieutenant of artillery, and spent ten months overseas, returning to the United States in June, 1919.

Mr. Koch on January 1, 1920, became teller in the First National Bank of Bellaire, and since 1921 has been assistant cashier of the Union Savings Bank of that city and is also one of the stockholders in the institution. When the Bellaire Kiwanis Club was organized he was elected its first secretary, and on January 1, 1924, became its president. He is a member of the American Legion Post and the Forty and Eight Society of ex-service men. He belongs to the Americus Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with Bellaire Lodge, No. 267, Free and Accepted Masons. Mr. Koch married at Bellaire in July, 1921, Miss Bess Rosser, daughter of the late Charles Rosser, of Bellaire.

Harry Robert Jungling is vice president and cashier of the Bridgeport National Bank, which has the distinction of being the oldest, largest and strong-

est unmerged bank in Belmont County. It was established in 1846, as the Belmont Branch of the State Bank of Ohio, took out a national charter soon after the national system of banking was inaugurated, and for over three-quarters of a century held the reputation of being a bank of personal service. Its officers and directors have been well-known men in the business affairs of Wheeling, West Virginia, and Belmont County. The bank has capital stock of $200,000, surplus and undivided profits of nearly $400,000, and total resources of over $4,700,000.

Harry Robert Jungling, the vice president and cashier, was born December 10, 1880, at Wheeling, West Virginia. His grandfather, Gottlieb Jungling, came from Germany to the United States as a young man. The parents of the Bridgeport banker are William Frederick and Emma (Hazlett) Jungling, both residents of Wheeling. His father, now retired, devoted all his active career to cigar manufacturing, and was owner of a small factory of his own and for many years associated with the firm of M. Marsh & Son at Wheeling.

Harry Robert Jungling attended public schools in is native city to the age of fourteen, and since then has been dependent upon his own efforts and resources to put him ahead in the world. He began his career as a two-dollar-a-week delivery boy for C. H. Abercrombie, a wholesale merchant in millinery and notions at Wheeling. Then for three years he was an elevator boy, was in the order department of the wholesale drug firm of Reed, Robb & Breiding, then a year with the Aetna Standard Mills and three years in the shipping department of the Stone & Thomas Department Store at Wheeling. In 1902 he became a clerk for J. C. McKinley, coal operator, and resigned as chief accountant in 1905 to go with the Crystal Glass Company of Bridgeport.

With a wide diversity of commercial experience and training Mr. Jungling in 1908 became teller and bookkeeper for the Bridgeport National Bank. In May, 1913, he was promoted to cashier, and since July 2, 1918, has served as vice president and cashier. Since 1914 the Bridgeport National Bank has had the greatest increase in deposits of any bank in this part of Ohio. The president of the bank is J. J. Holloway, of Wheeling.

Mr. Jungling's home is at Lennox in Wheeling. He is a member of the Fort Henry Club of Wheeling, the Elks Lodge, the Wheeling Country Club, the Wheeling Tennis Club, and his favorite recreation is golf. During the World war he was chairman at Bridgeport of all the Liberty Loan drives, and put every one of them far over the top. He married at Wheeling Mary Elizabeth Weitzel, born and reared in that city, daughter of John Weitzel, an engineer. They have one son, Robert William Jungling.

Jesse Moore Barton, secretary of the Martins Ferry Board of Trade and an insurance man, is one of Ohio's distinguished ex-service men of the World war. He was one of the young American officers who went overseas in the first months of the war, returned to this country disabled with wounds, and was not restored to civilian life until nearly three years after the close of the war.

Mr. Barton was born in the Village of Barton, in Belmont County, Ohio, August 10, 1888. His grandfather, Judge Jesse Barton, was born in Chester, Pennsylvania, in 1806, son of Abner Barton, also a native of Chester. Abner Barton brought his family to Ohio in 1814, and was one of the pioneer settlers in Eastern Ohio. He followed the trade of blacksmith and took up a section of land. His son, Judge Jesse Barton, founded the Town of Barton, and was one of the early judges of Belmont County.

Wilson Shannon Barton, father of Jesse Moore Barton, was born in 1842, and for many years followed the profession of civil engineering. In the early days in Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas he was engaged in railroad building and government surveying. He finally returned to Barton, and is now living there retired, though owner of extensive land interests. He has been active in the democratic party, is a Presbyterian and a member of the Masonic Lodge. Wilson Shannon Barton married Jennie Cope, who was born in 1854.

Jesse Moore Barton was the second of four children. He attended public schools in his home community, the Linsly Institute at Wheeling, and soon after leaving school he began working in the shipping department of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company at the Aetna Standard Mill. From there he was sent to the Youngstown district, to the Struthers plant, and then to the Laughlin Works at Martins Ferry as assistant order clerk. In 1913 he was promoted to order clerk.

Mr. Barton was one of the young men who attended the first military training camp at Plattsburg, New York, in 1916. Early in 1917 he resigned his position with the American Sheet and Tin plate Company to enter the First Officers Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, where he received his commission as second lieutenant of infantry on August 15, 1917. On September 11, 1917, he was sent to France, attending the French School of Instruction in modern infantry tactics, and then became an instructor at Langres. He was also with the British army, attending the Machine Gun School of Instruction, and subsequently served as instructor with the Seventy-seventh Division, and then with the Thirtieth Division, Headquarters Company, of the One Hundred and Eighteenth Infantry. He participated in the Ypres-Lys offensive and the second battle of the Somme. On October 17, 1918, Mr. Barton was awarded the distinguished service cross with two citations. Disabled by wounds, he was sent to Base Hospital No. 24 at Etapes, then to Base Hospital No. 29 at London, and after two months in a hospital abroad was returned to this country and spent thirty-five months in the New York Polyclinic and the Walter Reed Hospital at Washington. He finally received his honorable discharge on November 7, 1921, after having given nearly five years of his young life to the service of his country. While convalescing in the hospital at Washington he studied law in George Washington University.

Mr. Barton on December 1, 1922, located at Martins Ferry, and on April 1, 1923, was made secretary of the Board of Trade. Under his energetic direction the Board of Trade has greatly enlarged its field of usefulness and service. He also does a general insurance business. Mr. Barton is a member of the American Legion Post, is an honorary life member of Lodge No. 895 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a Presbyterian. Most of his recreation now is found in reading, but before his army service he was very active in outdoor sports. He married at Greensburg, Pennsylvania, April 8, 1921, Miss Elizabeth Catherine Mittinger, who was born and reared at Greensburg, daughter of William L. Mittinger. Her father is a retired merchant of that Pennsylvania town. Mrs. Barton is active in the Presbyterian Church and social affairs. They have one son, Jesse Moore Barton, Jr.

William H. Duffy, present director of public service of the City of Columbus, came to that office with unusually broad qualifications of experience and personal ability.

He was born at Sandusky, Ohio, May 22, 1872, son of James and Mary (McGory) Duffy, his father a native of County Cavin and his mother of County Ty-

rone, Ireland. James Duffy was a Union soldier in the Civil war, a member of Company K of the One Hundred Twenty-third Ohio Infantry. For many years he was engaged in the manufacture of wagon and carriage wheels at Sandusky, before the advent of the automobile. He moved to Columbus in 1907, and died in that city at the age of eighty-two.

William H. Duffy was reared and educated in Sandusky, and in 1891, at the age of nineteen, became a member of the National Guard. During the Spanish-American war he was second lieutenant in the Sixth Ohio Regiment, United States Volunteers, and served in the Army of Occupation in Cuba. In 1900 Mr. Duffy located at Toledo, and five years later came to Columbus as finance officer in the adjutant-general's office, under Governor Harris.

Mr. Duffy in 1912 was the first editor of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, under Secretary of State Thompson. He was assistant quartermaster general during the administration of Governor Willis, serving under Quartermaster General Hough, and had charge of the construction of Camp Willis, construction work that set a record, since it was completed in eleven days.

When America entered the World war he served in the Quartermaster Corps as camp supply officer of the Infantry School of Arms.

Mr. Duffy was chosen director of public service January 1, 1920. Under his supervision are the street and sewer division, street cleaning, garbage and refuse collection, operation of the garbage reduction plant, the divisions of electric light, water, sewage disposal, parks, the maintenance of lands and buildings, and new construction work. By virtue of his office he is also president of the Board of Purchase. His office is one of great responsibility, but he has filled it with admirable efficiency at all times. Devoted to official performance, he has before him at all times the ideals of making Columbus a perfect city. While not a professional politician, he is endowed with those qualities that make success in dealing with public affairs. For four years he has been a member of the State Republican Central Committee, and is its present secretary.

Victor John Kehrer, who was born and grew up near Martins Ferry, has had a successful career as an attorney there, having a good general law practice and other professional and business connections.

He was born on a farm in Pease Township, near Martins Ferry, in Belmont County, June 25, 1887, son of Albert G. and Emily (Halm) Kehrer, residents of Martins Ferry. His father was born in Belmont County and his mother in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, both of German parentage. Albert G. Kehrer has spent his active career as a farmer and truck gardener. He is a member of Saint John's Lutheran Church and a republican in politics.

Victor John Kehrer before finishing his high school education decided to be a lawyer. He graduated from the Martins Ferry High School in 1905, and having to depend upon his own earnings and resources he for two years did clerical work in the local freight office of the Pennsylvania Railroad. He then entered the Ohio State University Law School, remaining there three years and defraying his own expenses by work during vacations and at other times. Mr. Kehrer was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1910, and has since been engaged in practice at Martins Ferry. He was associated with William Bates Francis, a former representative of the Eighteen Ohio District in Congress, until 1919. For the past five years he has conducted a general practice alone.

Mr. Kehrer is also a director and one of the organizers of the Union Savings and Loan Company and a director of the Martins Ferry Building Company, serving both institutions as attorney. He is active in democratic politics, and in November, 1923, was elected city solicitor. He was identified with all the local war causes. He is a member of the County and Ohio State Bar associations, Saint John's Evangelical Church, and is much interested in outdoor sports. On June 1, 1917, at Washington, Pennsylvania, he married Miss E. Mae Porter, who was born and reared at Bridgeport, Ohio, and is active in the club and social life of Martins Ferry. They have one son, Victor John, Jr.

George Cooke. In addition to handling a large general practice as a lawyer George Cooke has put himself heart and soul into all the worthy civic and progressive movements and undertakings in his home Town of Martins Ferry. He is one of the most valued citizens of that Ohio River industrial city.

Mr. Cooke was born near New Athens, in Harrison County, Ohio, May 4, 1869. His grandfather, George Cooke, was a native of Washington County, Pennsylvania, and was an early settler in Harrison County, Ohio. James Cooke, father of the Martins Ferry attorney, was a native of Harrison County, was a farmer, and died at the age of sixty-nine. He married Jane McCracken, a native of Belmont County, who died aged eight-four. They were members of the United Presbyterian Church.

Third in a family of five children, George Cooke had a farm training, a public school education, and during his youth served three years as assistant postmaster at Bridgeport, Ohio. Then on his own resources he paid his expenses for a year while attending Washington and Jefferson College, and he also had some of his higher training in Franklin College at New Athens, Ohio. Taking up the study of law, Mr. Cooke was admitted to the bar in 1895 at Martins Ferry, and now for nearly thirty years has been engaged in practice there. The larger part of his general practice is corporation law. He represents the Peoples Savings Bank as director and attorney, the Valley Finance Company as director and attorney and one of its organizers, and is a director of the Riverside Bridge Company.

Mr. Cooke is chairman of the Board of Directors of the Belmont County Children's Home and is a trustee of the Martins Ferry Hospital, having been one of the local citizens most prominently identified with the establishment of the local hospital. He is a commissioner of the City Sinking Fund, and is a former president of the City School Board and a director of the Martins Ferry Board of Trade. In the democratic party he has served on the County Executive, County Central and also as a member of the State Central committees. He served three terms as city solicitor. He is a United Presbyterian, a member of the Kiwanis Club, Masonic Club, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his Masonic affiliations is with Ohio City Lodge No. 486, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Martins Ferry Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons, Martins Ferry Council No. 122, Royal and Select Masters. During the World war he was a four-minute speaker and a member of the Legal Advisory Board. He served as the first secretary of the Belmont County Bar Association, and is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association. For many years Mr. Cooke has been interested in athletic sports.

He married at Delaware, Ohio, April 30, 1902, Miss Lena McKay. She was born at Delaware, Ohio, and finished her education in the Ohio Wesleyan University. Mrs. Cooke is active in the musical, civic and social life of her home town. They have one daughter, Virginia.

Howard Aken Duff, now in his second term as mayor of Martins Ferry, is an ex-service man, has

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been an iron and steel worker since boyhood, and is a citizen of recognized prominence in his home community of Martins Ferry.

He was born there July 14, 1892. His grandfather, Lemuel Duff, came from Pennsylvania to Martins Ferry early in his life, was a captain in an Ohio regiment during the Civil war, and in business was a painting contractor. He held various city offices and was active in local affairs. Charles L. Duff, father of Mayor Duff, was born and reared in Martins Ferry, and has spent thirty-two years as an engineer with the Pennsylvania Railway, being an active member of the Pennsylvania Railway Veterans' Association. He is also affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Charles L. Duff married Katharine Aken, who was born in Jefferson County, Ohio, and died at Martins Ferry in 1913.

The oldest of three children, Howard Aken Duff was reared at Martins Ferry, had only a few years of attendance in the local public schools, and was paying part of his expenses when nine years of age by selling newspapers. At the age of fourteen he began an apprenticeship at the trade of moulder with the Center Foundry and Machine Company at Wheeling. He completed a four years' apprenticeship, and was then with the mills of the Whittaker Glessner Company of Wheeling until he answered the call to the colors.

He entered the army September 6, 1917, at Camp Sherman, and became a sergeant in Company I of the Three Hundred and Thirtieth Infantry of the Eighty-third Division. He was promoted to first sergeant of Company I, and, going to France, was stationed at Langres and was assigned to the Officers Training School, but the armistice was signed before he was commissioned. He then returned to his company as first sergeant, came home with the organization after six months overseas, and received his honorable discharge in March, 1919. Since the war Mr. Duff has continued his employment as an iron and steel worker.

He was candidate for mayor of Martins Ferry in 1919, and in 1921 was elected to that post of responsibility, being the first democratic mayor Martins Ferry has had in sixteen years. He was elected by a majority of 1,000 in a republican town, and, at the age of twenty-nine, was then the youngest mayor in the State of Ohio. In November, 1923, he was again elected mayor by 1,400 majority. As mayor he has emphasized law enforcement without fear or favor. During his first term fines were collected and turned into the city treasury to the amount of over $30,000. His administration was marked by the city getting out of current and floating indebtedness and also by the issue of $400,000 in bonds for the building of light and water plants and paving the streets.

Mr. Duff was chosen the first commander of Martins Ferry Post No. 38 of the American Legion. He has been chairman of the City Democratic Committee, is a member of the Elks, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Red Men, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Modern Woodmen of America and belongs to the Methodist Church. Mr. Duff, who is unmarried, was a semi-professional baseball player before he went into the army, and has been at all times an enthusiastic baseball fan, another hobby being Airedale dogs.

ALLEN THURMAN SELBY has for over thirty years been identified with the shoe business, and most of that time in business for himself at Martins Ferry. As a citizen and business man he is one of the first called to insure the success of public-spirited enterprises. He is president of the Martins Ferry Board of Trade and well known socially.

He was born at Martins Ferry, November 16, 1873, son of Jesse and Emily (Weaver) Selby. His parents were born in West Virginia and his father died in 1903, at the age of sixty-seven, and his mother in 1918, aged eighty-three. Jesse Selby was a brick contractor, and during his long residence at Martins Ferry he built the greater part of the most substantial business buildings in the town. For a time he was associated with the contracting firm of Selby Brothers and then for many years was in business for himself. In addition he was a member of the City Council, was active in the democratic party, and was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Presbyterian Church.

Allen Thurman Selby, only child of his parents, is a graduate of the Martins Ferry High School and for one year attended LaFayette College at Easton, Pennsylvania. In 1891, at the age of eighteen, he became a clerk for the Locke Shoe Company at Martins Ferry and also had experience as clerk in the Wheeling store of this company. Then, in 1898, he became associated with R. H. Stewart, establishing the shoe business of Selby & Stewart. The firm dissolved in 1909, and since then Mr. Selby has been in business for himself. He has a fine store, carrying a complete line of shoes and hosiery, and it is the largest establishment of its kind in Martins Ferry. He is also a director in the Citizens Savings Bank and a stockholder in the Peoples Bank.

Mr. Selby was elected and served as president of the Martins Ferry Board of Trade for the years 1923-24. He is also a member of the Board of Education, and during the World war was identified with all the local patriotic organizations. He is active in the playground movement and similar enterprises for the welfare of Martins Ferry and its people. He is a democrat, a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Masonic Club, and has served the Presbyterian Church as a trustee and is now a member of the Board of Sessions. He is affiliated with Ohio City Lodge No. 486, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Martins Ferry Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons, Hope Commandery No. 26, Knights Templar, at Bellaire, and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus.

In February, 1901, at Wheeling, Mr. Selby married Miss Martha Johnson, who was born and reared in that West Virginia city. Her father, George W. Johnson, was head of the well known hardware firm of George W. Johnson & Sons until his retirement, and is now a resident of Martins Ferry. Mr. and Mrs. Selby have two children, Robert Allen and Juliet.

O. A. ROBINS is an electrical engineer by profession, and during the past six years has become a prominent figure in that line of work in Columbus. While electrical installation at one time was a superficial and incidental part of the building program, under modern conditions it is an essential part in architectural design and building construction, and in any modern building the electrical construction accounts for one of the large elements of original cost. Electrical contract work in connection with modern architecture demands the services and skill of one of the most recent of the technical professions, electrical engineering.

A native of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, Mr. Robins received a good general and technical education, spending two years as a student of electrical engineering in Drexel Institute at Philadelphia. His first work as an electrician was done for the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company at Audenried, Pennsylvania, and for several years he was connected with electrical industries in Pennsylvania. Mr. Robins has been a resident of Columbus since 1918. Here he has done his most important work as an electrical engineer and contractor. Some of the largest contracts in the city during the past six years have been awarded him. He was the engineer for and supervised the electric installation in the plant of the Timken Roller Bearing Company, the new Lazarus Building, the reconstruc-

tion of the Union Store Building, the Medical Arts Building and various other prominent structures in Columbus. In 1923 he took the contract for the electrical construction in the new Fort Hayes Building, to be completed in 1924, one of the largest and most modern buildings in the capital city. As an electrical engineer and contractor Mr. Robins is closely associated with the building interests of Columbus. For two years he was manager of the Electric League of Columbus, and in December, 1923, was nominated for president of the Builders Exchange of the city.

He is affiliated with the Masonic Order and the Elks. He is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the Builders and Traders Exchange, the Electric League, Illuminating Engineering Society, Society for Electrical Development, Association of Electrologists, International.

On September 15, 1909, he married Florence M. Kaufman, a native of Weatherly, Pennsylvania, and daughter of Peter J. and Morilla (Andreas) Kaufman. Their children are Dorothy Mae, Orrin A., Jr., Ruth Leomi and John Sterling.

David William Medill, M. D. A native of Ohio and now a resident of Martins Ferry, Dr. David William Medill has had a long and successful experience in his profession as a physician and surgeon. He has proved his abilities in the practical field of business as well.

Doctor Medill was born on a farm near what is now Tiltonville, in Jefferson County, Ohio, July 29, 1872. His father, William Medill, was born at Warrens Ridge, Jefferson County, and died in 1908, at the age of seventy-four. The mother, Martha Jane (Worthington) Medill, was born at Brilliant, Ohio, and is now eighty-four years of age. William Medill as a young man went out West, and during the Civil war he served as United States marshal at Leavenworth, Kansas. He helped turn back slaves into Missouri, and was on duty during Quantrill's raids. After the war he returned to Jefferson County and engaged in farming. He was active in civic affairs, a democrat, and served on the school board and as a justice of the peace. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church. There were five children in the family: Dr. Walter W., now deceased; W. L., a retired attorney at Martins Ferry; Mrs. Maude Miller, of Sanford, Florida; one that died in infancy; and Dr. David William.

David William Medill while a boy on a farm in Jefferson County attended the common schools, completed his literary education in the Linsly Institute at Wheeling, and on June 22, 1893, graduated in pharmacy from old Scio College. During the following year he did work as a pharmacist at Denver, Colorado, and then entered the medical department of Colorado State University, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1896. After graduating he became associated with his brother, Dr. Walter W. Medill, in the firm of W. W. Medill & Company, in business as wholesale jobbers of surgical and hospital supplies. Doctor David William Medill represented the firm as traveling salesman, and covered all the intermountain and Pacific coast states. In 1905 he took work in the New York Post Graduate Medical School, and has returned to that city for further training and inspiration nearly every year.

Doctor Medill engaged in general practice at Adena, Ohio, in 1906, in 1910 removed to Youngstown, and since 1916 has looked after a general medical and surgical practice at Martins Ferry. He is a member of the Belmont County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Medill with his brother and sister subdivided the old Medill homestead and platted and sold it partly for residence purposes and also for the site of the mills of the Wheeling Steel Corporation at Tiltonville. Doctor Medill is an enthusiastic fisherman and spends two weeks every year in Northern Michigan. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. On November 19, 1906, at Martins Ferry, he married Miss Belle Flora Green, daughter of Thomas Green and Sarah (Bowman) Green. Her father was a well known architect of Martins Ferry, designing the high school and many of the fine homes and business structures of the city. He died in 1917, at the age of sixty-eight, and her mother passed away in 1919, aged seventy. Mrs. Medill was born and reared in Martins Ferry, and has been active in the city's social life and the Presbyterian Church.

Earl W. Froom is one of the active and enterprising young business men of the South Side of Youngstown, being in business as a dealer in dairy products.

He was born at Youngstown, March 24, 1894, son of Alfred H. and Emma (Watson) Froom. His parents were natives of Pennsylvania. The family settled at Youngstown in 1892, and Alfred Froom was for a number of years engaged in business as an ice cream manufacturers, but is now retired. His mother died in 1900.

Earl W. Froom was liberally educated, attending the public schools at Youngstown, and in 1915 was graduated from the Carnegie Institute of Technology at Pittsburgh. For six years he was a salesman for Ford cars, and then engaged in the dairy products business, opening his store on Williamson Avenue and Market Street in March, 1922, but this place he sold January 21, 1924. He opened his present store at 2624 Market Street in March, 1923. He handles a complete line of dairy products.

Mr. Froom married, June 21, 1916, Miss Emily J. Roop, a native of Altoona, Pennsylvania, and daughter of Clarence L. Roop. They have two children, Minerva and Robert. Mr. Froom is a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, is a republican, is affiliated with the Masonic Order, Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and belongs to the Kiwanis Club. He is treasurer of the South Side Business Men's Association.

David James Woods, representing the casualty department of the Medbury-Wilson Insurance Company in the Youngstown district, has been a resident of the City of Youngstown since he was a youth of twenty years, and here he was for many years employed in the steel plants, in which connection he became a skilled boilermaker.

Mr. Woods was born at Kanawha, West Virginia, on the 12th of September, 1878, and is a son of Thomas W. and Jane (Cole) Woods, who now maintain their home in Youngstown. Thomas W. Woods was born in Wales, and after coming to the United States he was long employed as a skilled steel worker, he having finally retired from the work of his trade.

In the public schools of Nelsonville, Ohio, David J. Woods continued his studies until he was sixteen years of age, when he initiated an apprenticeship to the moulder's trade, in a foundry at that place. He continued his association with foundry work five years, and in connection with the steel industry he became an expert boilermaker. He continued his service in local steel mills sixteen years, and has since been identified with the insurance business as representative for the Medbury-Wilson Insurance Company. He also served as state oil inspector of Ohio. He is a republican in politcal adherency, he and his family hold membership in the Baptist Church. He is a trustee and also the executive secretary of the Union League Club of Youngstown, and in his affiliation

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with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of the Maccabees he has passed the various official chairs and also represented the local organizations in the respective Grand Lodge and Grand Camp of Ohio.

In August, 1903, Mr. Woods wedded Miss Mary Gething, who was born at Sharon, Pennsylvania, and who is a daughter of John and Margaret (Jones) Gething, the former a native of Reading, Pennsylvania, and the latter of Wales. Mr. and Mrs. Woods have four children: David S., Dorothy, Margaret and Jane.

JACOB KALVER, of Youngstown, a lawyer by education, is best known through his active interests as a real estate operator. He is also one of the prominent men in the republican party of Ohio.

He was born in New York City, October 24, 1873, son of Moses S. and Etta Kalver, but was reared at Youngstown, where he attended the common schools, and his first business was that of manufacturer of hosiery at Youngstown. On February 1, 1900, he became an expert accountant in the office of the auditor for the War Department of the Treasury Department at Washington, and while in Washington he studied law in Columbia, now George Washington, University, completing his course in 1903. He remained at Washington in the treasury department until about April 8, 1908.

For the past fifteen years he has been in the real estate business. He is owner of the Harding Park Allotment at Hubbard, Ohio, and he donated thirty-seven and six-tenths acres of land in Hubbard to the town for park and playground purposes. Under the perpetual name of Harding Park it was dedicated August 16, 1923, being the first memorial to the late beloved President Harding.

Mr. Kalver has been active in republican politics and a worker in republican campaigns under and with the late M. A. Hanna from the time that Cleveland business man entered in politics until his death.

JAMES HENRY NUTT. A continuous service of nearly half a century to the iron and steel and related industries of the Mahoning Valley, a service of varied importance and responsibility in keeping with its length in years, gives James Henry Nutt of Youngstown a distinction such as is perhaps not enjoyed by any other man in the industry. He started work in a tin mill when he was only nine years of age, and it is literally true that he has been identified with some branch of the iron and steel industry for almost the normal span of man's life, three score and ten years.

He was born in Worcestershire, England, November 19, 1848, son of Thomas and Ann (Poultney) Nutt, both of whom remained in England all their lives. His father was a tin plate worker in Worcestershire. James Henry Nutt is a man of extensive knowledge, but his formal schooling was confined to the first nine years of his life and his real education has been the product of extended experience. As a boy he went to work in a sheet mill at Wolver Hampton in Staffordshire, England, and for ten years he had the thorough routine training of a British tin plate mill.

In 1868, at the age of nineteen, he came to the United States, and immediately found employment in the mills at Pittsburgh. From there in 1876 he moved to Youngstown, and became identified with the noted old Brown-Bonnell Mill, in which he was employed in the capacity of heater for fifteen years, until 1891.

However, the services that have made him best known in the iron and steel industry have been rendered as a labor manager and adviser. In 1892 he became the first incumbent of the newly created office of commissioner of the Labor Bureau of the Mahoning Valley Manufacturers Association, and has filled that office continuously now for over thirty years. In 1906 the Western Bar Iron Association was organized to take in all the iron mills from Pittsburgh west to the Coast, and Mr. Nutt has been the official secretary of this organization ever since. In 1912 he helped organize and has since been secretary of the Western Sheet and Tin Plate Manufacturers Association, composed of the independent sheet and tin mills negotiating with the amalgamated associations. Mr. Nutt knows the industry with which he has been identified practically all his life, he knows men, knows the interests at stake, and has earned the thorough confidence and respect of all parties interested. His offices are in the Mahoning Bank Building at Youngstown.

In 1884 Mr. Nutt was elected a member of the City Council, and served three terms. In April, 1891, he was appointed one of the first four city commissioners of Youngstown, in response to the acts of the Legislature dividing the administrative functions of the city government. However, after a service of about a year he resigned to become commissioner of the Labor Bureau. Another important public service was rendered during the World war period as safety director of Youngstown. In addition to his routine responsibilities he did much to promote the efficient functioning of all the local committees formed to assist in the prosecution of the war. He served from 1912 to 1916 as a member of the Board of Education, and is now again a member of that board.

Mr. Nutt has served as a member of the Official Board of the Episcopal Church. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Consistory at Cleveland, and also belongs to other bodies at Youngstown.

His home is at 238 West Spring Sreet. On November 26, 1871, he married Miss Sarah Ward, of Boston, Massachusetts, where she was born, a daughter of Henry and Susan Ward, natives of England. Mr. and Mrs. Nutt were the parents of nine children. Three sons are now living: Harry W. and Albert James, partners in a general contracting business at Toledo, and Dr. George S., a physician at Youngstown, and who served as a lieutenant in the Medical Corps during the World war.

HON. JOSEPH H. EBRIGHT. Among the citizens of New Philadelphia who through long residence, sterling citizenship and valuable public service have become well known in their community, few are held in higher esteem than Joseph H. Ebright, a veteran of the Civil war, at present a member of the Ohio House of Representatives, and serving as justice of the peace. His career has been a worthy and useful one, both in times of war and peace, and in the evening of life he can look back with a pardonable degree of pride over a life that has been unselfish and that has been of value to his fellow-men.

Mr. Ebright was born on a farm in Noble County, Ohio, August 5, 1849, a son of Joseph S. Ebright. His father, a native of Pennsylvania, was a coal miner by occupation, and met his death in a mine accident in Noble County when his son was but seven years of age. After the death of his father Joseph H. Ebright was bound out, and his youth was filled with many hardships and few advantages, educational or otherwise. He was not quite fourteen years of age when he ran away from the farmer who had secured his services, and enlisted in the Union Army, July 4, 1863, becoming a member of Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry. When his term expired and he was mustered out of this company he reenlisted, March 4, 1864, in

Company F, Fifteenth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and served until after the close of the war, receiving an honorable discharge in September, 1865. At the Battle of Kenesaw Mountain he received a severe wound in the chest. The war records show that he was breveted a major, and to this day he is often referred to as "Major" Ebright, particularly in the local post of the Grand Army of the Republic, of which he is a member.

Upon his return from the war the young soldier went to Canton, Ohio, where he secured employment with Sheriff Peter Chance, with whom he remained for two years for his "keep" and privilege of going to school during the winter terms. He then applied himself to learning the trade of machinist, and subsequently went to the West, thence into Mexico and South America, finally returning to Ohio and settling in Tuscarawas County, where he has resided continuously for over forty years. For nine years he was employed as a master mechanic at Dover, and during this time installed the first machinery for the sheet and tin mills there. Eventually he engaged in business on his own account, but gave it up when appointed state examiner of stationary engineers, a position he held for six years, resigning to accept a position in the engineering department of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company as chief mechanic, with headquarters at Bridgeport, Ohio. One year later, on account of ill health, he was forced to resign the position, at which time he engaged in the real estate and insurance business at New Philadelphia, which he has continued. During the past six years Major Ebright has served very acceptably in the office of justice of the peace. In 1922, at the democratic primaries, he won the nomination for representative in the Ohio Legislature, and was elected to that office in the fall of the same year. While in the Legislature, serving in the Eighty-fifth General Assembly, he introduced the bill (which subsequently became a law) respecting the creation of the Schoenbrunn Historical Association for the preservation of the site of the first church and schoolhouse built in Ohio and west of the Alleghany Mountains, in 1772. Fraternally Major Ebright is a Chapter degree Mason and a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

In 1883 Major Ebright was united in marriage with Miss Laura Humerickhouse, and they are the parents of two sons: Harry C., a prominent realtor of Miami, Florida; and Howard, who served in the army during the World war, but was not called overseas, and who is now in the West.

FRANK H. VOGAN, present county treasurer of Mahoning County, began his career as a printer, still holds a union printer's card, and for several years was identified with the Court House at Youngstown, before election to his present office. He is undoubtedly one of the best known men in Mahoning County.

Mr. Vogan was born in New Castle, Pennsylvania, September 14, 1876, son of Gilbert K. and Sarah A. (Lock) Vogan, his father also a native of New Castle, while his mother was born at Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania. Gilbert Vogan, a carpenter by trade, moved to Youngstown in 1877, and died in that city July 27, 1897. His widow still lives there.

Frank H. Vogan was an infant when brought to Youngstown, grew up in that city, and had the advantages of the public schools until he was about fourteen years of age. After completing his apprenticeship at the printing trade he worked for several job printing concerns, and was then with the plant of the Youngstown Vindicator, serving many years as foreman of its job department. He resigned in 1911 to become clerk of the county commissioners, serving in that capacity until August 1, 1919, when he was made chief deputy in the county treasurer's office.

Mr. Vogan resigned in June, 1922, to make the campaign for election as county treasurer, and received a substantial majority in November, 1922. He took charge of the county treasurer's office in September, 1923.

On February 14, 1906, he married Miss Cora May Kightlinger, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of Orlando W. and Mary (Hawkins) Kightlinger, her father born at Meadville, Pennsylvania, and her mother in Wales. Mr. Vogan is a member of the First Christian Church. He is a republican, and was elected to office on that ticket. Fraternally he is affiliated with Western Star Lodge, No. 21, Free and Accepted Masons, and is a member of the Masonic Grotto, the Eastern Star and the White Shrine, the Knights of Pythias and Youngstown Lodge, No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

For many years Mr. Vogan has been prominently identified with musical circles and activities in Youngstown. He is an expert trombone player, is a member of the Masonic Band and the Musicians Union, and up to 1919 he filled regular engagements, playing with orchestras for theatres and other functions. During the World war he was chairman of the Music Committee in Youngstown.

ELIAS MORGAN FAUST, county auditor of Mahoning County, was for nearly thirty years one of the prominent school men of Youngstown, serving as principal until he went into office at the Court House.

He was born in Springfield Township of Mahoning County, July 10, 1858, son of Elias and Catherine Anna (Schray) Faust, also natives of Mahoning County. His grandparents, Solomon and Elizabeth (Herman) Faust, were farmers in Mahoning County. The great-grandfather, Philip Faust, a native of Connecticut, was one of seven brothers who fought on the American side in the Revolutionary war. Between 1796 and 1798 he came West to the Western Reserve of Ohio, and under a grant from the Connecticut Land Company secured land at Canfield. About 1812 he sold this land and moved to New Middletown in Mahoning County, where he was a hotel owner and farmer. Solomon Faust was born in Canfield Township in 1803, and spent his life as a farmer. Elias Faust, Sr., was a teacher in early life and later a contractor and builder, and he died in 1887. His wife, Catherine Anna Schray, who survived him and passed away in November, 1922, at the age of eighty-nine, was a granddaughter of Stephen Rentz, a native of Scotland, and a preacher of the "Separatist Church."

Elias Morgan Faust was educated in district schools, in the Poland Union Seminary ,and in later years graduated from the Northeastern Ohio Normal College at Canfield, and also took a course of lectures in the Scientific School at Harvard University. He was seventeen when he taught his first term of district school. He was engaged in country school work until 1887, when he became principal of the New Springfield public school, and in 1889 was made principal of the Flint Hill School in Youngstown. A large part of the school population of Youngstown for thirty years knew him in his capacity as principal. He was principal of the Flint Hill School until 1895, of the Market Street School until 1903, and then had charge of the Wood Street School until 1919, when he resigned to take charge of the county auditor's office, to which he was elected on the republican ticket in 1918. He was relected in 1922.

Mr. Faust proved the possession of exceptional qualifications as a judge during his term from 1910 to 1919 as justice of the peace in Coitsville Township.

On May 28, 1880, he married Caroline Welk, a native of New Middletown, Ohio, and daughter of Henry Welk. She died in 1886, her only child, Dale, dying in infancy. On August 17, 1891, Mr. Faust married Miss Flora Bossert, who was born at New Middletown, Ohio, daughter of John and Sally (Welk) Bossert. The two children of this marriage are Veda E., wife of Howard D. Jones, of Scienceville, Ohio, and Homer Morgan, a student in Ohio State University.

Mr. Faust is chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Science Hill Methodist Episcopal Church, and fraternally has twice filled the office of chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, has been through the chairs and for several years recording secretary in the Junior Order United American Mechanics, is past master and since 1910 has been secretary of Western Star Lodge, No. 21, Free and Accepted Masons, and holds all degrees in York and Scottish Rite Masonry except the thirty-third. He is a member of Youngstown Lodge, No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, is former president of the County Teachers Institute, and for some years was on the Executive Committee. He is a member of the Union League Club and the McKinley Club.

Francis M. Lillie. A modern city like Youngstown reflects the technical skill of the engineer on every hand. So far as the public engineering problems are concerned, those dealing with water, sewerage, the laying out of the streets and other public ground, the one individual who has had more to do with the development of these features of the modern city than any other is Francis M. Lillie, who for nearly thirty years was city engineer. He was designated the official to handle such problems when Youngstown was a comparatively small city, with only about eighteen miles of sewerage system and twelve miles of paved street. Before he resigned his office the street paving alone had extended to fully 160 miles in aggregate and the sewerage system had attained a total length of 180 miles.

Mr. Lillie was born in Geauga County, Ohio, February 15, 1855, son of William A. and Laura A. (Roberts) Lillie. His mother was born in New York State, and died in 1864. William A. Lillie, a native of Connecticut, and of a family established in New England as early as 1640, studied for the law but eventually became a minister of the Church of the Disciples. For about fifteen years he lived on a farm in Mentor Township of Geauga County, and his last years were spent at Willoughby, in Lake County, where he died in 1887.

Francis M. Lillie was educated in district schools in Lake County, and finished his liberal education in Oberlin College in 1880. The following year he moved to Youngstown, where he has been a citizen for over forty years. After a year and a half of employment as assistant to the city engineer he served two years in railroad construction on the Pittsburgh and Western, now a part of the Ohio and Baltimore System, and for four years was in the maintenance of way department of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

On January 1, 1893, Mr. Lillie assumed the office of city engineer, and served in that position continuously until March, 1920, a period over twenty-seven years. Since he left the office of city engineer he has been engaged in general practice as a consulting engineer, being well known as a specialist in all lines of municipal engineering. The city engineer's office increased in importance in proportion to the rapid growth of Youngstown, and of the vast amount of work accomplished during Mr. Lillie's administration only a few outstanding points may be mentioned. One of the improvements on which his attention was first concentrated was making efficient the sewerage system in the North Hill district of the city, an improvement carried through by Mr. Lillie, supported by the State Board of Health, and against considerable opposition. He and several public-spirited citizens also developed Wick Park from a site of weeds and bushes into a beauty spot, and he had much to do with planning and carrying out the practical work of acquiring and improving what is known as Lincoln Park.

Another improvement demanded early in his administration was a filter plant to purify the city water supply, which had previously been taken unchanged from the river direct. He prepared the plans which were adopted by the Council and approved by the State Board of Health, the plant being constructed by Thomas Lightbody and Mr. Henderson. The distinctive feature of the filtering plant is that it was designed by local men without payments to the filter manufacturers for the use of patents.

One of the most important municipal engineering plants around Youngstown is the Milton dam and reservoir, to provide an adequate supply of water for industrial and manufacturing purposes during the dry season of the year. This dam was planned and constructed under the direction of Mr. Lillie, the cost of the land and the dam altogether being about $1,250,000.

Mr. Lillie served several years as a trustee of the Unitarian Church, is an independent democrat in politics, and is affiliated with the Masonic Order, Youngstown Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Loyal Order of Moose and Saint David's Society.

In 1900 he married Miss Mary Whitehead, who was born near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, daughter of William Whitehead. They have three daughters, all at home, Laura, Annabelle and Eleanor.

Harry R. McPherson is proprietor and publisher of the Eldorado Bee at Eldorado in Preble County, and is a successful young journalist and public spirited citizen of his community. He is widely known through his archæological interests and studies.

He was born near New Paris, Ohio, October 17, 1891, son of Joseph O. and Mary E. (Trucks) McPherson, well-known farming people in the county. Harry McPherson was educated in public schools in Jefferson Township, graduating from the New Paris High School in 1909. During 1909-11 he attended Earlham College at Richmond, Indiana, and after leaving college taught school three years in Jefferson Township.

In 1914 Mr. McPherson acquired the Eldorado Bee from G. C. Koons, a brother-in-law, and former owner. The Eldorado Bee under Mr. McPherson's energetic management has become a weekly publication with a circulation of over 600 copies, published each Thursday. The paper was founded about 1878, under the name of Odds and Ends, which discontinued publication about 1881 and has been under its present title since 1898.

Mr. McPherson married, June 5, 1912, Miss Elsie C. Commons, of New Paris, daughter of Elmer E. and Cynthia J. (Thomas) Commons, who are now living retired in Florida. Mrs. McPherson was educated in the public schools of Jefferson Township. They have one daughter, Marian, born April 16, 1914.

Mr. McPherson is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, is an active worker in the United Brethren Church, and is a republican. For several years he was assessor, and is now justice of the peace of his township, and personally and through his paper has given his hearty support to all worthy movements in his community.

He is one of the enthusiastic young students of archæology who has done much to bring to public knowledge the remains of antiquity found in this section of Ohio. In 1923 he published the "Pence Mound," a description of an Indian mound he personally excavated near New Paris in 1922, and he is also author of "The Lee Mound," a similar description of a mound in Monroe Township of Preble County and which was excavated by him in 1920. Mr. McPherson owns a large collection of archæological remains gathered from Darke and Preble counties, also from Eastern Indiana. He organized in 1921 and has since been president of the Preble County Historical Society. It was largely due to his influence that an appropriation of $15,000 was secured from the State Legislature for the purchase of the Fort St. Clair battlefield, a mile west of Eaton. Fort St. Clair battlefield has since been transformed into a beautiful state park, under the guidance of the Preble County Historical Society, and is becoming the mecca of thousands of persons interested in the deeds of their ancestors.

PATRICK JOSEPH CARNEY, who for eight months held the office of service director in the municipal government of Youngstown, began his career in the steel mills when a boy, and has been actively identified with both labor and public affairs.

He was born in County Galway, Ireland, February 2, 1880, son of James and Mary (Flynn) Carney. His father in 1882 came to America and settled at Youngstown, where he became a steel mill worker. Patrick Joseph Carney remained in Ireland with his grandmother until he was between six and seven years of age, and was then brought by a relative to Youngstown. In that city he attended Saint Anne's parochial schools, and at the age of fourteen went into the mills as a water boy. His industry and skill brought him eventually to the post of a foreman in the Bessemer department of the Carnegie Steel Company.

Mr. Carney in 1919 left the steel mills to engage in the draying business, and continued that work until May, 1923, when he sold his interest. In the meantime, in November, 1921, he was elected councilman at large for Youngstown, taking his seat in the City Council January 21, 1922. On May 1, 1923, he resigned to accept the office of service director, which office was abolished when the new city charter took effect. On July 19, 1924, Mr. Carney engaged in the retail produce business at 1712 Belmont Avenue, where he carries a full line of produce, such as vegetables, butter, eggs, ice cream, soft drinks and groceries.

Mr. Carney in 1908 married Miss Mary Lynch, a native of Youngstown and daughter of Michael and Catherine (Giblin) Lynch, her father a native of Ireland and her mother of Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Carney have four children, James, Michael, Paul and Mary Catherine. The family attend worship at Saint Patrick's Roman Catholic Church. Mr. Carney is a republican, is a member of the Knights of Columbus, served one and a half terms as dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose, and in July, 1921, was elected state president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and was reelected in August, 1923.

NICHOLAS R. HAMILTON, former director of public safety for the City of Youngstown, represents a distinguished family name in that city. He is a son of the late Homer Hamilton, and several of his brothers also reached successful positions in business affairs, his brother, Grant Hamilton, being for many years art editor of the Judge and Leslie's Weekly.

The late Homer Hamilton was an expert mechanical engineer, and acted as consulting engineer in all the mines and steel mills in Mahoning County. He was born in Trumbull County, was reared in a home of very simple comforts, had to leave school at the age of sixteen, and served an apprenticeship at the machinist's trade. For a time he was a member of the firm of Predmore & Hamilton, manufacturing portable steam engines. This business, started in 1856, after 1861 continued as the Homer Hamilton & Company, and was the foundation of the widely known engine building establishment of William Tod & Company, under which name it was continued from 1878 until 1915, and was then acquired by the corporation known as the United Engineer & Foundry Company. Homer Hamilton was manager of William Tod & Company until his death in 1893. He was commissioner for Ohio at the New Orleans Exposition in 1883-84, and had been instrumental in collecting the fine exhibit of iron products and mineral resources of the Mahoning Valley for the Centennial Exposition of 1876. He was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Just after the close of the Civil war he was elected a member of the Village Council of Youngstown, serving two terms in a progressive local government that laid some of the foundations for the city of later years. In 1868, when Youngstown was incorporated as a city, he was elected a member of the first City Council. Homer Hamilton married Adeline Roberts, whose grandfather, Maj. William Roberts, was an American officer in the Revolutionary war. He died in 1913.

Nicholas R. Hamilton was born at Youngstown, June 20, 1872, was educated in the public schools, and at the age of nineteen began work in the Youngstown Police Station. Five years later, in April, 1898, he enlisted in Company H of the Fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, serving in camp in Florida. He was discharged in the fall of 1898, having been a trap drummer in the band. He then reenlisted at Augusta, Georgia, joining the Tenth Regiment Band.

For two years Mr. Hamilton was identified with the construction work on the street car lines in Sharon, Pennsylvania, then for four years served as assistant engineer, and for eight years as engineer of the Youngstown Fire Department. He was appointed director of public safety in April, 1923.

In 1899 he married Alice Hayes, who died in 1917, leaving one son, Harold. In 1919 Mr. Hamilton married Sara J. Snyder, widow of Ralph Wehr, by whom she had a son, Paul Wehr, deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton was born one son, Dale. They are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is a republican in politics, and a Knights Templar and a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

THOMAS ROSEWELL ATWOOD. A worker in the steel mills around Youngstown, Thomas Rosewell Atwood was attracted into local politics, and is the present county recorder of Mahoning County.

He was born at Youngstown, June 29, 1883, son of Thomas and Mary (Rosewell) Atwood. His father, a native of Shropshire, England, was a son of Moses Atwood, who came to Youngstown in the early '50s. Thomas Atwood was an iron and steel worker in Pennsylvania, and about 1870 worked in the Youngstown district, and died in 1916. He married Mary Rosewell, who was born at Sharpsburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of Edward Rosewell, a native of Pittsburgh, and who served as a Union soldier in the Civil war. Mrs. Thomas Atwood died in March, 1903, mother of four children: Emma, of Youngstown, widow of James H. Williams; Flora, Mrs. Ephraim Williams, of Youngstown; Thomas Rosewell; and John, of Youngstown.

Thomas Rosewell Atwood continued to attend the public schools at Youngstown until he was sixteen years of age, when he started out to make his own way in the world. In the Ohio works of the Carnegie

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Steel Company he was employed in work of increasing responsibility until when he resigned he was assistant to the shipper. On January 1, 1914, he was appointed deputy in the Youngstown Municipal Court, holding that office until 1918. He then became chief deputy county auditor, and in 1920 was elected county recorder of Mahoning County on the republican ticket, beginning his official term in September, 1921.

On September 23, 1908, Mr. Atwood married Miss Florence Hauserman, a native of Youngstown, daughter of Gottlieb and Mary (Reebel) Hauserman, her father a native of Switzerland and her mother of Youngstown. Mr. Atwood lost his first wife by death in December, 1914. On September 5, 1917, he married Erma Herrmann, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of Jacob and Mary (Theiss) Herrmann, who were born in Germany. Mr. Atwood's four children are: Mary Louise, Eleanor Lydia, Thomas H. and Emma Jane.

Mr. Atwood has close ties and working affiliations with several social, fraternal and civic organizations at Youngstown. He is a member of the First Reformed Church and for two years was a member of the finance committee while the new church was being built. In Masonry he is assistant secretary of Western Star Lodge No. 21, Free and Accepted Masons, is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter, Council and the Grotto, is affiliated with Lodge No. 52, Knights of Pythias, and Lodge No. 403, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He also belongs to the Protective Home Circle, and helped organize and is a member of the Board of Governors of the Youngstown Young Men's Christian Association.

Benjamin Edward Westwood. In the administration of one of the larger postoffices of the State of Ohio, Benjamin Edward Westwood as postmaster has made a record that fully justifies his place and has shown conspicuous administrative ability and an ambition to make his position a medium of thorough service to the community. Mr. Westwood is a former county recorder of Mahoning County.

He was born at Sharon, Pennsylvania, just over the Ohio state line, on September 20, 1872, son of Samuel and Eliza Caroline (Woodbury) Westwood. His father, a native of Staffordshire, England, was a son of Edward Westwood, a coal miner in the old country, who after coming to America engaged in farming. Samuel Westwood became a puddler in the steel mills, working at Sharon, Pennsylvania, and in 1874 moved to Youngstown, where he died in 1885. He married at Sharon Miss Eliza Caroline Woodbury, a native of that city, and daughter of Edward and Pearl (Grant) Woodbury, also natives of Pennsylvania. She survived her husband over twenty years, passing away in 1909. Her two children were Benjamin E. and Elizabeth Ann. The latter is the wife of William Wake, of Warren, Ohio.

Benjamin Edward Westwood was thirteen years old when his father died. He had up to that time been a regular attendant in the grade schools, but at the age of fourteen he began to earn his own living, at first in rolling mills. He started as a dragger out, and in time was advanced to the position of technical skill known as rougher. After being in the steel mills over eighteen years Mr. Westwood in 1903 found other occupation, and for several years was an employe of a bowling alley and poolroom.

In 1908 he was elected county recorder of Mahoning County, and made a record of notable efficiency in the administration of that office from 1909 to September, 1913. For the next five years he was connected with the Realty Trust Company in the Abstract and Title Department, and from 1918 to 1922 served as membership secretary of the Youngstown Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Westwood was appointed postmaster of Youngstown April 10, 1922, by the late President Harding.

He married, October 27, 1894, Miss Leah Jane Hillier, a native of Youngstown and daughter of Shadrach Hillier, who was born in England. Mr. and Mrs. Westwood have three children: Pearl Amelia, at home; Leah Eleanor, wife of Myron Myers, of Youngstown; and Emerson Edward, attending school. Mr. Westwood is chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He served for several years as a member of the jury commission of Mahoning County. He has been through the chairs of the Lodge of Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a Royal Arch, Council Degree and Grotto Mason.

Joseph M. Huerkamp, B. S., M. D. In the medical profession of Mercer County there are to be found a number of men who have made their mark when still young in years, due to perfect equipment, long and comprehensive specialized training and intense application. In this class may be numbered Dr. Joseph M. Huerkamp, who has followed his profession in Mercer County for six years, and who is now the leading physician and surgeon of Fort Recovery.

Doctor Huerkamp was born at Cincinnati, Ohio, April 4, 1891, and is a son of Martin and Catherine (Bertling) Huerkamp. His father followed the vocation of traveling salesman throughout the period of his active years, and is now deceased, while his mother still survives. Joseph M. Huerkamp received his preliminary educational training at St. Joseph's College, from which he was duly graduated as a member of the class of 1908. He then pursued a course at Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana, and was graduated in 1912, subsequently commencing his medical studies at the medical department of Cincinnati University. After receiving his medical degree as a member of the class of 1916 he spent one year as an interne in the General Hospital at Cincinnati, and then commenced practice at Holloway, Ohio, where he remained two years. During the past six years he has been in practice in Mercer County, and at this time occupies four handsome office rooms at Fort Recovery, where he has built up a large practice and a splendid reputation in his calling. Doctor Huerkamp is considered a skilled practitioner and a steady-handed surgeon, and has gained general public confidence. He is a member of the Mercer County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. His religious connection is with the Catholic Church.

In 1917 Doctor Huerkamp was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Lyle Frisbie, daughter of Alvah and Mary (Hildreth) Frisbie, the former of whom was chief clerk in the office of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway at Covington, Kentucky. Mrs. Huerkamp was educated at Covington High School, Miss Bristow's private school and Miss Alexander's private school, and is a graduate nurse from the General Hospital, Cincinnati, and a member of the King's Daughters. She and Doctor Huerkamp are the parents of three children: Mary Catherine, Alvah and Joseph Edward.

George M. Montgomery. Every history, however brief, of the development of the iron industry in the Mahoning Valley records the fact that the second furnace built, but the first successfully operated, was that built and established by Robert Montgomery on Yellow Creek, about 1806. This Robert Montgomery was of New England stock, of Scotch ancestry, and his father had fought as a patriot in the War of the Revolution. Robert Montgomery learned surveying

from his father, and while surveying in Western Pennsylvania, paid a visit up the Mahoning Valley. About 1805 he came again to this section of Ohio, and made a contract for a site for a furnace on land owned by John Struthers. The furnace was put in operation about 1807, and it was operated several years, until litigation and other difficulties closed it down. This pioneer iron master, who died about 1857, has been described as a man of great courage and energy and very outspoken in his opinions. For a number of years he made his home on a farm east of Youngstown. He married Louisa Maria Morris, whose first husband was John Stark Edwards. Her father was a member of Congress from Vermont. She was a woman of education and refinement, and greatly beloved by the young people of the Youngstown community.

Robert M. Montgomery, only child of the iron master, devoted his active career to farming near Youngstown. He married Nancy H. Wolcott, of New England ancestry. Their son, Lewis W. Montgomery, also became a farmer, served as a Union soldier during the Civil war, and died at Youngstown in 1912. He married Isabell Cubbison, who was born in Mercer County, Pennsylvania, daughter of James and Mary (Campbell) Cubbison. Mrs. Isabell Montgomery is still living at Youngstown.

George M. Montgomery, a great-grandson of the iron master, Robert Montgomery, has for many years been prominent in his profession as a civil engineer at Youngstown. He was born in that city March 20, 1873, and after attending the public schools acquired his advanced education in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and the Ohio State University. He completed his civil engineering course in 1897, and soon afterward began practice with his cousin, Edwin D. Hazeltine. The firm of Hazeltine and Montgomery, civil and mining engineers, has been in existence for a quarter of a century, and it has solved engineering and other technical problems for nearly all the larger industries of the Mahoning Valley.

In addition to his extensive private practice Mr. Montgomery has also served for nearly twenty years as county surveyor of Mahoning County. His first term in that office was from 1900 to 1910. In 1918 he was again elected, and is still in the service. He has also at different times been the official engineer for the villages of East Youngstown and Struthers, and resident engineer of the State Highway Commission.

Mr. Montgomery is a member of the Ohio Society of Surveyors and Civil Engineers and the Engineers Club of the Youngstown district. He is a republican, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

In the fall of 1897 Mr. Montgomery married Miss Ella A. Robinson, daughter of James and Elizabeth Robinson, natives of England, and for many years residents of Niles, Ohio. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery are: Miss Mary Louisa and Robert M., the latter a student in the Ohio State University. Both are graduates of the Rayen High School of Youngstown.

Richard A. Zenk, an architect of recognized ability and successful achievement, has been engaged in the practice of his profession in the City of Youngstown for more than a score of years, and has gained standing as one of the prominent representatives of his profession in Mahoning County.

Mr. Zenk was born in Germany, August 24, 1876, and is a son of Albert E. and Carolina (Knuth) Zenk. He was about five years of age when, in 1881, his parents came to America and established their residence at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, whence in the following year they came to Youngstown, Ohio, where the father found profitable employment at his trade, that of patternmaker. The subject of this sketch continued his studies in the public schools of Youngstown until he was seventeen years of age, he having in the meanwhile profited by the discipline of the high school. At the age noted he entered upon a practical apprenticeship in the office of H. F. Kling, a leading architect at Youngstown, and in the passing years he gained marked proficiency in his chosen vocation. After ten years of association with Mr. Kling he was admitted to partnership in the latter's business, and this alliance continued until January, 1922, when the partnership was dissolved. Since that time Mr. Zenk has continued in independent practice, as one of the able and successful architects of the county which has represented his home from his boyhood. He maintains his office at 144 West Wood Street, and his residence at 1112 Bryson Street. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and he and his wife are active communicants of Woodland Avenue Lutheran Church.

On the 25th of June, 1903, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Zenk and Miss Dorothea K. Boehne, who was born at Union City, Indiana, a daughter of Rev. E. A. and Barbara (Emmelhinz) Boehne, the former a native of Germany and the latter of Columbus, Ohio, the father having long been an able and zealous clergyman of the Lutheran Church. Mr. and Mrs. Zenk have four children, whose names and respective dates of birth are here recorded: Theodore R., December 7, 1905; Gertrude E., February 12, 1907; Margaret L., June 18, 1910; and Ernest A., November 7, 1915.

Mr. Zenk has designed and supervised the erection of many buildings in Mahoning County, including a number of specially important order, and his reputation constitutes a most valuable asset in his business. As a citizen he is loyal and progressive, and he takes deep interest in all that concerns the welfare and advancement of his home city and county.

Alfred G. Morgan effectively prepared himself for the profession of civil engineering, of which he is now one of the successful and prominent representatives of the younger generation in the City of Youngstown, the vital industrial city that is the judicial center and metropolis of Mahoning County.

Mr. Morgan was born at Girard, Trumbull County, Ohio, in April, 1890, a son of Walter and Jennie (Brown) Morgan, who still maintain their home at Girard, where the father is a skilled steel worker in the mills at that place. The paternal grandparents of the subject of this sketch were William and Susan Morgan, who were born and reared in Wales, where their marriage was solemnized and where all of their children were born. William Morgan came to the United States after the death of his wife and established his home at Youngstown, Ohio, where he passed the remainder of his life.

In the public schools of his native place, Alfred G. Morgan continued his studies until he had duly profited by the advantages of the high school, and in 1908, when eighteen years of age, he took up a technical course of study and gained the practical experience that admirably equipped him for successful work as a civil engineer. Here he has been engaged in the private practice of his profession since 1920, and he maintains his office at 150 West Rayen Avenue. He is aligned loyally in the ranks of the republican party, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Ohio State Engineering Society. He is actively identified with the United Presbyterian Church of Youngstown, in which he is director of the choir, his musical talent being of high order.

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He married in 1915, Miss Nettie Armitage, a daughter of William and Lillian (Shook) Armitage, and to this union was born one child, Alfred G., Jr. Mrs. Morgan died in 1918.

GEORGE H. GESSNER made for himself a record of successful and worthy achievement in the practice of law and as judge of the Municipal Court in the City of Youngstown, judicial center of Mahoning County, and this record marked him as distinctly eligible for the higher honor that came to him on the 19th of March, 1923, when he was appointed judge of the Court of Common Pleas for this county. On this bench he is giving a characteristically zealous and effective administration.

Judge George Herbert Gessner was born in Knox County, Ohio, September 13, 1878, and is a son of John and Lucy (Ashburn) Gessner, the former of whom was born at Loudonville, Ashland County, this state, in the year 1834, and the latter of whom was born in Knox County, in 1848, she having been one of the venerable native daughters residing at Mount Vernon, the county seat, at the time of her death, January 6, 1924. John Gessner became a skilled blacksmith, and he followed his sturdy trade in Knox County many years, his death having there occurred on the 20th of May, 1884. His father, William Gessner, was born in Germany, was a youth when he came to the United States, and he became one of the pioneer settlers in Ashland County, Ohio, the remainder of his life having been passed in this state. Judge George H. Gessner was the fifth in order of birth of the six children now living. The eldest of the number, Frances, is the wife of Lawrence Dermondy, and they maintain their home at Mount Vernon, Ohio. Albert is a resident of Los Angeles, California; Catherine is the wife of George F. Malone, of Baltimore, Maryland; Clinton H. resides in Huron County, Ohio, and Mabel is a resident of Indianapolis, Indiana, and is the wife of O. L. Andrews.

After completing his studies in high school Judge Gessner was for two years a student in Hiram College, and in preparation for his chosen profession he entered the law department of Western Reserve University at Cleveland, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1913, his admission to the Ohio bar having been a virtual concomitant of his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws. At Youngstown he thereafter continued in the general practice of his profession until April 17, 1917, when he was appointed to the bench of the Municipal Court of this city, an office of which he continued the incumbent until he was elevated to the bench of the Court of Common Pleas in the spring of 1923. The Judge has given effective service also in connection with the educational work of his profession, as he has been the dean of the Youngstown School of Law since November, 1920. In 1914-15 he served as assistant city solicitor of Youngstown. He was a member of the commission that drafted the admirable new municipal charter for the City of Youngstown. The Judge has been distinctively one of the state's constructive workers, and in this connection it is to be noted that in his youth he gave ten years of successful dispensation as a teacher in the public schools in Milton and Berlin townships, Mahoning County, besides which he was engaged in farming in Milton Township, where for two terms he held the position of township assessor.

Judge Gessner is a loyal and well fortified advocate of the principles of the democratic party, and he and his wife hold membership in the First Christian Church in their home city. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, the Loyal Order of Moose and with Milton Grange No. 733, Patrons of Husbandry, of which he was secretary during a long term of years. He is past vice president of the Youngstown Society for the Blind, and is president of the local Kiwanis Club and also of the Chamber of Commerce.

August 28, 1917, recorded the marriage of Judge Gessner and Miss Ruth Robison, who was born at Palmyra, Portage County, Ohio, a daughter of Frank and Nora M. (McGranahan) Robison, the former of whom likewise was born at Palmyra, and the latter of whom was born near Greenville, Pennsylvania. Judge and Mrs. Gessner have three children: John Franklin (born May 20, 1919), and Martha and Margaret (twins).

BRUNO W. HOLSTEIN. A little more than ten years ago, in 1913, B. W. Holstein started a small machine shop in Columbus on Swan Street, having only one boy as an assistant. He was an expert mechanical engineer and his shop provided facilities for the manufacture of special tools for Columbus manufacturers. This business has steadily grown and is today known as the Superior Die, Tool and Machine Company at 525 Buttles Avenue, having been incorporated in 1923 with a capital of $150,000.

B. W. Holstein and C. A. Field are now proprietors of the business, Mr. Field being an expert accountant and has had charge of the office management since 1915. Mr. Holstein looks after all of the technical problems of manufacture, and also has been largely responsible for the building up of the sales.

In the early days of the business Mr. Holstein, while visiting in Detroit, secured some contracts to make special tools for automobile manufacturers. This line developed rapidly, demanding an expansion of space and installation of new machinery. In 1918 the present plant on Buttles Avenue was secured. Today eighty men are employed in the industry, and while special tools seem to be the leader, the company does a large business in manufacturing license plates for automobiles, having the contract for manufacturing the plates used in Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Wisconsin, Massachusetts and Washington. The constant aim has been to produce only high grade work, especially work requiring the finest of machinery as well as workmanship. This is the only machine shop in Columbus that has some of the machines of utmost precision used in modern industry, one such machine being graduated to a fineness of one twenty-fifth part of one ten-thousandths of an inch.

The details of production have been under the constant supervision of Mr. Holstein, and he has used his expert technical knowledge to build up a profitable business for the concern. He is a skilled designer and has assembled about him a force of experts in the various departments.

Mr. Holstein was born in Berlin, Germany, in 1877 and was three years of age when his parents came to America and settled at Columbus. His father, August Holstein, was for many years foreman in the pattern shop of the Jeffrey Manufacturing Company. He died in 1901. Bruno W. Holstein, as a boy, sold newspapers and was a bootblack on the streets of Columbus. In his mature life he has retained an honorary membership in the News Boys' Association and devotes one day each year for charitable purposes, selling newspapers. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, the Elks Lodge, the Elks Country Club and the Columbus Mannerchor.

June 20, 1901. Mr. Holstein married Miss Dorothy Balden, and their two children are: Elizabeth, now Mrs. J. A. Murphy, and Paul J., who is now a student at Ohio State University.

CARROLL THORNTON, who was mayor of the City of Youngstown in 1916-18, had long before won an envi-

able place in business affairs, and since the World war has been one of the leaders in real estate activities.

He was born in Youngstown, February 20, 1861, son of William and Julia (Hamilton) Thornton, and grandson of Daniel Thornton. His parents were both born in the Mahoning Valley. William Thornton was an engineer in coal mines, and died in 1905, at the age of seventy-six. He was a republican and a member of the Masonic Order. His wife was a daughter of Eli Hamilton. She died in 1914, aged seventy-seven. Their four sons have all been well known in Youngstown business affairs, Anson, Carroll, Charles and Jesse.

Carroll Thornton attended the common schools of Youngstown until he was thirteen years of age, and then went to work in the factory of the Arms-Belt Bolt Company, carrying iron. He remained with the company in different capacities for six years, then became a wagon driver for the United States Express Company, later was with Wells-Fargo & Company at Corry, Pennsylvania, and subsequently was agent for that company in Youngstown. After ten years in the express business he engaged, in 1890, in the laundry business, founding the Youngstown Laundry Company, which subsequently became the Youngstown Laundry and Cleaning Company. He was active in this business for twenty-six years, disposing of his interests in March, 1917.

Mr. Thornton was chosen a member of the Charter Commission of Youngstown in 1913. A few years later he was elected mayor, and his administration covered the critical years of 1916-18, including most of the war period. He handled affairs with a wise and energetic hand, and was largely responsible for the adjustment of the labor troubles resulting in the East Youngstown riots. During eight years Mr. Thornton was a member of the Youngstown Board of Education, being president of the board for two years.

On February 1, 1919, Mr. Thornton became sales-manager of the real estate department of the Realty Trust Company. After three years he retired, and has since been doing an individual business in real estate. He married in 1889 Miss Bertha E. Stewart, who died February 19, 1891, leaving one daughter, Josephine, now the wife of John Black, of Pittsburgh. In 1896 Mr. Thornton married Miss Ada Miller. The one child of this marriage is William Wallace Thornton, a graduate of the famous preparatory school, Phillips Exeter Academy, and a graduate of Dartmouth College. Mrs. Thornton is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Thornton is a republican, is a thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and belongs to the Youngstown Club, Youngstown Country Club, the Chamber of Commerce and is now president of the Youngstown Real Estate Board. He served for ten years as treasurer of the Laundry Men's National Association, and has also served as president and treasurer of the Ohio State Laundry Men's Association.

Arthur Hector Williams, director of finance of the City of Youngstown, and an ex-service man of the World war, is one of the younger men in the public affairs of his native city.

He was born at Youngstown, April 16, 1896, son of Thomas B. and Mary A. (Jones) Williams. His parents were both born in Wales. His maternal grandparents, David and Jane (Williams) Jones, came to this country in 1873, living in New York State for a time. David Jones was a pattern maker by trade and worked for a number of years at Youngstown, and is now living retired, at the age of eighty-four, on Madison Avenue in that city. The father of Thomas B. Williams was a florist, and after coming to this country was in business at Greenville, Pennsylvania, where he died. Thomas B. Williams was born in 1857, came to the United States in 1877, and was a coal miner by trade. He was identified with the mining industry of the Mahoning Valley, subsequently in the West, and he died at Youngstown in 1919. He is survived by his widow and three children: Edna J., wife of David E. Jenkins, a distinguished lawyer and jurist, formerly of Youngstown, now of Cleveland; Arthur H., and Russell, who is identified with the oil industry in Southern California, with home at Los Angeles.

Arthur H. Williams graduated from the Garfield grammar school at Youngstown, and in 1914 from the South High School. In high school he was a member of the Phi Sigma Phi fraternity. He is past president of that fraternity. While in high school and afterward he was employed by the Reed Drug Company, and among his high school studies he was especially proficient in pharmacy. Early in 1917 he became assistant city auditor under Daniel Jones, but resigned to enlist in the army. On account of his special knowledge of chemistry he was assigned to duty in the chemical warfare division, and was at the Edgewood Arsenal, in Maryland, assisting in manufacturing the famous mustard gas.

In January, 1919, after a service of nine months, he was honorably discharged, and subsequently in that year was nominated without opposition for the office of city auditor on the republican ticket, and by election entered upon the duties of his office in January, 1920.

Mr. Williams is a member of the American Legion Post, attends the Congregational Church, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and is a member of the Masonic Club at Washington. He also belongs to the Youngstown Automobile Club.

Herbert Lyman Ford has gained marked success and prestige in his chosen profession, that of architect, and has been numbered among its leading representatives at Youngstown, metropolis and judicial center of Mahoning County, for a period of virtually twenty years, his offices being at 210 North Phelps Street. Mr. Ford has designed and supervised the erection of many important buildings and also innumerable high-grade residences in the Mahoning and Shenango valleys, so that his professional reputation is not confined to local bounds and constitutes a basis for continued expansion of his activities. He has made investments in a number of residence properties in his home city, and these are kept in excellent condition, so that they give good returns from rentals.

A scion of a family that was founded in New England, that gracious cradle of much of our national history, in the early Colonial era, Herbert Lyman Ford claims the old Bay State as the place of his nativity. He was born at Westfield, Massachusetts, March 25, 1875, on the same street and only two houses west of the house in which Speaker Gillett, likely soon to be Senator Gillett, was born, and long friends and neighbors, and is a son of Rufus M. and Harriet Lucretia (Starr) Ford, both likewise natives of that state, the former born at West Stockbridge and the latter at Southwick. Heman Ford, grandfather of the subject of this review, was born at West Stockbridge, Massachusetts, and in that state was born also his wife, whose family name was Brown, and his grandfather, John Ford, was one of the first settlers of West Stockbridge. Heman Ford was elected to the Massachusetts Legislature on the No-Nothing ticket from West Stockbridge prior to the Civil war, and was one of the few who opposed the sale of the Hoosac Tunnel to the railroad company. The mater-

Clyde M. Rumfield

nal grandparents of Herbert L. Ford were Charles Dudley and Sarah Story (Kimball) Starr. Charles D. Starr was born and reared at Groton, Connecticut, was a millwright and builder by trade, and he became a pioneer representative of his trade at Elyria, Ohio, where he established his residence about the year 1822. He was a direct descendant of Dr. Comfort Starr, who came from England to Plymouth, Massachusetts, in 1630, and some of his immediate descendants united in marriage with the family of William Brewster of Mayflower fame. Charles Dudley Starr, who was more familiarly known by his second personal name, was likewise a pioneer in the State of Michigan, where his first marriage occurred, he having been three times married. After residing a few years at Lorain, Ohio, he returned to Massachusetts, where he passed the remainder of his life, at Westfield. The father of Charles Dudley Starr was wounded by a musket ball, and an uncle only nineteen years of age and the youngest soldier in the fort, was killed in the defense of Fort Griswold on the Groton shore, when Benedict Arnold raided New London in the latter part of the Revolutionary war.

Rufus M. Ford attended the State Normal School at Westfield, Massachusetts. He performed successful service as a teacher in the common schools, besides having been a practical farmer. When the Civil war was precipitated on the nation he enlisted, for a term of three years, as a member of the Thirty-seventh Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, which was a regiment of the famous Sixth Corps. He participated in many engagements, including the battle of Gettysburg and a number of other major battles, and while he escaped wounds he was somewhat seriously injured by a log that was thrown on the tent in which he was sleeping at the time. After the war he became a telegraph operator, and as such he was employed on the Union Pacific Railroad at the time when its great transcontinental line was under construction. For a few years thereafter he conducted a retail grocery in Chicago, where he was thus engaged at the time when the great fire of 1871 brought untold disaster to that city. After his return to Westfield, Massachusetts, he there engaged in the furniture and upholstering business, and there he and his wife continued to reside until their death.

After completing his course in the high school at Westfield, Massachusetts, Herbert L. Ford found employment in the office of Architect A. W. Holton of that city. He was nineteen years old at the time, and he remained with Mr. Holton six years. During that period he took private instruction from the firm of Garner & Gardner, architects, of Springfield, Massachusetts. During an ensuing period of three years he was in the employ of the Stanley Manufacturing Company of Pittsfield, that state, for which concern he drafted plans for factory buildings, of the construction of which he was the superintendent. He then went to Pennsylvania and established his office at Sharon, in Mercer County, where he continued his activities in his chosen vocation until 1904, when he removed to Youngstown and formed a partnership with J. M. Miller, under the firm name of Miller & Ford. Six years later Mr. Ford sold his interest in the business to his partner, and since 1912 he has been independently engaged in architectural work and service, with headquarters at Youngstown.

In politics Mr. Ford maintains an independent attitude. He became a zealous advocate of temperance and prohibition many years ago, and identified himself with the Sons of Temperance, the Prohibition Party, and other organizations formed to advance the prohibition movement and eliminate the traffic in intoxicating beverages. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Youngstown, as was also his wife, whose death occurred October 23, 1918. Mr. Ford is a life member of the Ohio Archæological and Historical Society and a charter member of the Youngstown Kiwanis Club.

February 2, 1901, recorded the marriage of Mr. Ford and Miss Florence Elliott Warren, daughter of Edwin M. and Emma (Pratt) Warren, of Cheyenne, Wyoming, the former a brother of United States Senator Warren of Wyoming, whose daughter became the wife of Gen. John A. Pershing, her death having occurred in California. Mr. Edwin M. Warren is deceased. Mrs. Edwin M. Warren now resides in the old home town of Dalton, Massachusetts, and in her home is Edwin Warren Ford, who was born in Youngstown, Ohio, November 1, 1911, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Ford, he having been taken in charge by his maternal grandmother after the death of his mother. The only living brother of the subject of this review is Charles Starr Ford, who is a jeweler in Palmer, Massachusetts.

Clyde M. Rumfield was for a number of years engaged in railroad service, a work that first brought him to Columbus, and on resigning he engaged in the real estate business, and has been the foremost factor in the development of one of Columbus' most important suburbs, Linden.

Mr. Rumfield was born on a farm in Salem Township of Meigs County, Ohio, in 1885, son of Henry J. and Sarah (Ritz) Rumfield. His life until the age of seventeen was spent on a farm, and while there he made the best of his advantages in the country schools. His apprenticeship for railroading was secured in a telegraph office, where he mastered telegraphy, and subsequently served as both station agent and operator. He worked in this capacity for the Lexington and Eastern Railroad in Kentucky for a time, but in 1905 came to Columbus and was in the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad System until he retired some four or five years later.

Mr. Rumfield's home has been at Linden since 1909, and since 1910 he has been in the real estate business. Located in Clinton Township and joining Columbus on the northeast, Linden has grown into one of the thriftiest and most popular suburban communities of the capital city. In the remarkable development that has taken place within the last few years, Mr. Rumfield has been distinctly the leader. Since 1919 in advertising and publicity work he has expended practically $25,000 and has been behind every movement and civic enterprise for the benefit of this splendid community. In 1922 Mr. Rumfield laid out and sold three additions to Linden, and in 1923 laid out and sold two more, and is now engaged in the building of a new town, "North Linden." During these two years he built and sold over thirty homes on the additions. He also built for his own family a beautiful modern nine-room home at 2426 Cleveland Avenue.

Mr. Rumfield is vice president of the Linden Civic Association, and in 1923 he organized a movement to bring about the elimination of grade crossings at Linden and vicinity and is chairman of the organization for that purpose. He is president of the Clinton Township Sunday School Association, is a member of the Kohr Memorial Presbyterian Church and is affiliated with Linden Lodge No. 637, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Temple Chapter No. 155, Royal Arch Masons; York Council No. 115, Royal and Select Masters; and Franklin Lodge No. 5, Knights of Pythias. He married Miss Laura Belle Roberts and they have one son, Clyde M. Jr.

Noah W. Rein does business as it ought to be done, with the result that his career has been marked with consecutive advancement and he now has standing as one of the influential and successful representatives of the wholesale coal business at Youngstown,

Ohio, the main offices of the company, of which he is the secretary, being established at Buffalo, New York.

Noah Wilson Rein was born at Marietta, Washington County, Ohio, January 26, 1863, and is a son of Anthony and Elizabeth (Peters) Rein, both natives of Germany. Anthony Rein was a young man when, as an apprenticed sailor, he voyaged across the Atlantic to New York City. On shipboard he formed the acquaintance of a man named Hipp, and the latter induced him to come to Ohio. Mr. Rein remained for an interval in the City of Cincinnati, and then engaged in the tinning business at Marietta. There he remained until 1873, when he became associated with his brother in the same line of enterprise at Bellaire, Belmont County, where he passed the remainder of his life, his widow having been a resident of Woodsfield, Monroe County, at the time of her death.

Noah W. Rein attended the Ohio public schools until he was fifteen years old, and he then went to the home of an uncle, who was editor and publisher of the Brooklyn Daily Times in the City of Brooklyn, New York. There Mr. Rein continued to attend the public schools for a time, and he then entered his uncle's office and served an apprenticeship to the printer's trade. He became a skilled compositor, and as such, after his return to Ohio, he found employment in the office of the newspaper known as the Jeffersonian, published at Cambridge, Guernsey County, besides which he became a successful solicitor for job printing. Finally he took a position as express messenger on the old Cleveland & Marietta Railroad, and he continued in the railway express service a number of years, during six of which he was express messenger on the Erie Railroad. During the ensuing five years he was in the Cleveland office of the Erie Express, and he then, in 1890, came to Youngstown in the capacity of local agent for the Wells-Fargo Express Company, with which he continued his service in this city fifteen years. He then resigned and associated himself with H. K. Wick in organizing the Home Supply Company for the handling of coal and ice. Mr. Wick became president of the company, C. M. Boyd secretary and treasurer, and Mr. Rein, general manager. After about two years of successful operation the business was sold to the Youngstown Ice Company, and Mr. Rein then became a traveling salesman and representative for H. K. Wick, Incorporated, in the wholesale coal business. He was thus engaged five years, and then became general agent for the corporation, a position which he retained until the death of Mr. Wick in March, 1916. In the following July Mr. Wick's interests were taken over by the present corporation, and Mr. Rein became secretary of the company, a position of which he has since continued the incumbent, with offices at 322 Dollar Bank Building in Youngstown, the main offices of the company being, as previously noted, in the City of Buffalo, New York, and the business being one of broad scope and importance.

Mr. Rein is found loyally aligned in the ranks of the republican party, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Central Christian Church in their home city, in which he is serving as a deacon. He is affiliated with the local York Rite bodies of the Masonic fraternity, including Youngstown Commandery of Knights Templars, and has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine.

December 31, 1885, recorded the marriage of Mr. Rein and Miss Gertrude Madison, who was born at Cambridge, this state, a daughter of the late Charles and Margaret (Grimes) Madison, the father having been for a long period engaged in the hotel business at Fairview, on the old National Turnpike. Of the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Rein the younger, Charles, died at the age of two and one-half years. The older son, Harvey M., resides at Youngstown, the maiden name of his wife having been Harriet Davis.

John J. Kane. While he began his career as a worker of the steel mills in the Youngstown district, John J. Kane is best known in that city for his long and favorable service as a police officer and for many years as head of a private detective and police organization.

He was born at Youngstown, June 25, 1868, son of John and Mary (Berry) Kane. His parents were born in County Mayo, Ireland, and soon after their marriage came to the United States. They lived for a time in Cleveland, locating there at the beginning of the Civil war, and then removed to Youngstown. John Kane was an iron and steel worker, connected with the Brown-Bonnell and other plants in the Mahoning Valley, and was a loyal and capable man and citizen. He died in 1914. His widow still lives at Youngstown. They had a family of ten children.

John J. Kane attended parochial schools only to the age of eleven, when he went to work in the steel mills as driver of a horse and cart. He remained there five years, and was then made a brakeman with the steel company's railroad. He was around steel mills for ten years, and then for six years was a brakeman with the Pennsylvania Railroad. Leaving the railroad service, he became a patrolman with the Youngstown police force, serving on the force as a patrolman six years and for eight years was city detective. He resigned to become secret service officer for Mahoning County, and after five years resigned and became safety director for the Republic Rubber Company. He filled that position three years, and since then has conducted a business of his own as an investigating agent. He started with three men and now has twenty-three employes. He supplies a special police patrol service for merchants and banks, does special detective work, and carries on his business under the name of the Kane Secret Service Agency Company.

On September 19, 1893, Mr. Kane married Miss Lena Boyle, a native of Mahoning County and daughter of Elson P. and Mary (Flaherty) Boyle, natives of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Kane have the following children: William, of Youngstown; Mary, wife of James Dolphen, of Youngstown; Margaret, Mrs. John Ashton, of Girard, Ohio; John, a student in Notre Dame University in Indiana; Paul and Ethel, students in the parochial schools. The family are members of Saint Edward Catholic Church. Mr. Kane is an independent in politics, is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, the Optimist Club and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. For several years he was head of the Youngstown division of the United States Revolver Association, and for four years was jury commissioner of Mahoning County.

Andrew G. Maguire served his business apprenticeship as a steel mill worker at Youngstown, but for some years past has been one of the successful and prominent men in the automobile business in that city, being president of one of the most prosperous sales and distributing agencies in Eastern Ohio.

He was born at North Hastings, Ontario, Canada, September 14, 1881, son of Charles and Ellen (Henderson) Maguire. His parents are natives of Scotland, were married there, and in 1870 came to Ontario, Canada, and settled on a farm at North Hastings. They now live retired at New Liskeard, Ontario. The father was born December 8, 1842, and the mother, November 20, 1844. They are, therefore, about eighty years of age, and their great vitality has been transmitted to their children, their six sons and four daughters all being alive, with fifty-one grandchildren.

W. J. Stephens

Andrew G. Maguire, the sixth child in age, attended public schools at North Hastings, Ontario, and when fifteen years of age came alone to Youngstown, Ohio. His first employment was as a puddler's helper in the old Brown-Bonnell Steel Mill. Two years later he began an apprenticeship at the machinist's trade, and followed that as a vocation for twelve years. For five years he was in the automobile accessory business at Youngstown, and following that became service manager for the Henderson Overland Company, later being made assistant general manager of the company. On January 1, 1922, he organized his own company, the Maguire Automobile Company, handling the sale and distribution of the Durant and Star automobiles over an extensive territory, including Ashtabula, Trumbull, Mahoning, Columbiana and portions of Carroll and Jefferson counties, Ohio, also Hancock County, West Virginia. Mr. Maguire is president and treasurer of the company, Charles Cushwa is vice president, and A. M. Henderson is secretary. Mr. Maguire is a director in the Youngstown Automobile Association, and is also a member of the State Automobile Association.

On August 15, 1905, he married Miss Jeannie Brownlie, a native of Meadville, Pennsylvania. They have two children, Bruce Brownlie, born May 25, 1911, and Virginia Helen, born August 10, 1917. Mr. Maguire is a member of the United Presbyterian Church. He has been a director of the Chamber of Commerce, is past president of the South Side Business Men's Association and a member of the Kiwanis Club and Exchange Club. He is a Royal Arch and Grotto Mason and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

JAMES WILLIAM CANNON, who served overseas in the great war with the engineers, has earned a fine record as an attorney at the Youngstown bar, and is one of the well known progressive younger citizens of that metropolis of the Mahoning Valley.

He was born at Youngstown, July 2, 1885, son of James and Anna (McKeever) Cannon. His parents were born in Ireland, came to the United States when young, and were married in Youngstown. His father became an iron and steel worker, and died December 17, 1898, the mother passing away September 2, 1901. They had five sons: James William; John, of New Mexico; and Patrick, Thomas and Paul, all of Youngstown.

James William Cannon was educated in grammar and high school, and finished his course in law in 1915 at Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. In December, 1914, he was admitted to the Ohio bar, and soon afterward engaged in practice.

The routine work of his profession was interrupted when in May, 1918, he enlisted as first lieutenant in the Engineers Corps. In June of the same year he left for overseas, and was attached to the general staff in front line engineering operations. In July, 1919, he returned to the United States, and received his discharge with the rank of lieutenant of engineers on July 30, 1919. He then resumed his law practice in Youngstown.

Mr. Cannon, who is unmarried, is a member of Saint Edward's parish of the Catholic Church, has served as deputy grand knight of the Knights of Columbus, and is a member of Youngstown Lodge No. 55 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a republican. He is a Phi Alpha Delta, and a member of the Society of American Military Engineers.

WALLACE DUNN, an active member of the Youngstown bar, is a native of that city, and from early boyhood has made his own way, achieving independence and a worthy professional career.

He was born at Youngstown July 29, 1885, son of James and Fannie (Cooksey) Dunn, natives of England. His father for many years was an accountant at Youngstown, where he died in 1901, the mother passing away in 1916.

Up to the age of fourteen Wallace Dunn had the advantages of the grammar and high schools of Youngstown, and then went to work, beginning an apprenticeship at the machinist's trade in the plant of the Youngstown Car Manufacturing Company. Upon the death of his father two years later he entered the general offices of the Erie Railroad Company as messenger boy, and six years later, when he resigned, was clerk. In 1908 he entered the service of the Republic Rubber Company, beginning as timekeeper, and subsequently was promoted to mediator and assistant to the president of the company. While with the Republic Rubber Company he diligently pursued the study of law, and in 1920 was admitted to the Ohio bar. Since then he has had a general practice, and since August, 1923, has been the legal representative for the Morden Detective Agency, which was established in Youngstown in 1920, and now has branches in a number of Ohio cities.

Mr. Dunn married, October 28, 1912, Miss LeEtta Canfield, native of Youngstown and daughter of W. W. and Amelia (Llewelyn) Canfield. They have two children, Virginia Mae and Wallace, Jr. Mr. Dunn was reared in the Episcopal Church and now attends the Congregational. He is a republican, and is affiliated with Youngstown Lodge No. 16, Free and Accepted Masons, Youngstown Chapter No. 93, Royal Arch Masons, Buechner Council, Royal and Select Masters, and is affiliated with Hazelton Lodge No. 60 of the Protective Home Circle.

WALTER J. STEPHENS. This leading florist of Ohio and now president of the Ohio District of the National Flower Growers' Association was born in Columbus in 1890. His parents are Sherman F. and Augusta (Neunherz) Stephens, both of whom are natives also of Columbus. The present business of which Sherman F. is the senior member was first established in 1876 by the late Joseph Campbell. It was transferred to Sherman F. in 1881, and has ever since been conducted by the Stephens, father and son, greatly to their advantage and the success of the enterprise. Within the last few years the father has largely retired from active work, and the subject of this narrative has in general taken over the management of the whole concern.

The Stephens family was one of the earliest to settle in the present City of Columbus; Adam, grandfather of subject, locating here when Ohio was a new state in the Northwest Territory. Adam was a progressive citizen and for thirty-six years was superintendent of Green Lawn Cemetery.

Walter J. was given an unusually efficient education to prepare him for the arduous duties of life. He passed through the grammar schools with credit and was among the leading graduates of the Central High School. He was then admitted to the Ohio State University, took a full course, was among the leaders of his class, finally receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1912 and the degree of Master of Arts in 1913. While securing the latter degree and before, he specialized in chemistry, and after leaving the university he spent several years working and experimenting as a chemist. Since the World war he has been associated in business with his father, and at present is the active executive of the prosperous and attractive occupation of supplying the city and suburbs with the choicest and most beautiful flowers. Of him one of the local newspapers said recently: "Associated in business with his father, under the trade name of Stephens, Florist, at the west entrance

of Green Lawn, Walter J. Stephens is one of the best known florists of the state. He is president of the Ohio Flower Growers Association, District of the North, which association is planning a state convention in Dayton in the summer of 1923."

Since its start the business of S. F. Stephens & Son, Florists, has been located in the same place adjoining Green Lawn Cemetery in the southwest section of the city. It is one of the largest, one of the most varied and beautiful, and one of the most successful industries of its kind in the state. They are extensive growers of the choicest potted plants, of the richest and sweetest cut flowers and of public and private wreaths, chaplets and garlands. The business is conducted in the highest artistic and modern styles, and the office equipment and the sales department are so well organized and systematized as to facilitate prompt and efficient results. The firm is a member of the National Flower Growers, the Florists Telegraph Delivery, and the Columbus Florists Club.

Walter J. took an active part and intense interest in the World war. He entered the army at Fort Thomas, Kentucky, on May 13, 1918, received there preliminary training, was then transferred to Chickamauga where thorough training was continued, was then sent "Over There" with the Sixth Division of Regulars as a machine gunner, and was later transferred to the Chemical Warfare Service, with which he served with great distinction until his honorable discharge at Camp Sherman, Ohio, in June, 1919. During all these trying days he amply distinguished himself for his activity, loyalty, obedience and capacity.

He is a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Knights of Pythias, Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, the Elks and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Three generations of the Stephens family, grandfather, father and son, have been members of the Columbus Lodge No. 3, Knights of Pythias. Walter J. is also a member of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, the Civitan Club, the University Club of Columbus, the Old Colony Club, and the West Side Business Men's Association, West Side Board of Trade. In January, 1922, as above stated, he was elected president of the Ohio District National Flower Growers Association.

Homer E. Carlyle, an ex-service man, has been a Youngstown attorney since the close of the war and his return from overseas, and has won an enviable reputation among the younger members of the bar in that city.

He was born at Youngstown, September 15, 1895, son of George A. and Ella (Dunn) Carlyle, and a grandson of Daniel Carlyle, also a native of Ohio, and William and Susanna (Post) Dunn, the former born at Buffalo, New York, and the latter at Franklin Square, Ohio. His mother, Ella Dunn Carlyle, was born at Salem, Ohio, and his father, George A. Carlyle, at Lisbon, this state. George A. Carlyle makes his home at Youngstown, and for many years has been in the service of the New York Central lines.

Homer E. Carlyle was educated at Youngstown in the grammar schools and Rayen High School, and studied law in Ohio Northern University. While in school he volunteered for the First Officers Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, in the spring of 1917, and after being in training there for three months was dismissed on account of defective hearing. He then resumed his work at the school until May, 1918, when he was accepted for duty as a private in the Fifty-fourth Infantry of the Sixth Division. In July, 1918, he went overseas with his command, and was on duty in Alsace-Lorraine and at the front during the Argonne campaign. After the armistice he was transferred to the Two Hundred and Twenty-eighth Military Police Corps, at first at Navarre, later at Chamonix in the Alps Mountains. Later he was sent to Manchester, England, and then to London, where he attended lectures at the Inns of Court, thus continuing his legal education. Subsequently he returned to France and embarked at Brest for the United States. He received his honorable discharge July 18, 1919. He had been admitted to the Ohio bar on June 24, 1918, and since his return from overseas has been associated in practice with William E. Pfau, with law offices in the Stambaugh Building.

Mr. Carlyle married, September 7, 1923, Miss Ruth Janette Morris, a native of Youngstown and daughter of Albert and Nettie (Owen) Morris. Mr. Carlyle is a member of the session of the Memorial Presbyterian Church and is superintendent of its Sunday school. He is a republican, is a Royal Arch and Council degree Mason, and a member of the Lions Clubs and the American Legion.

Paul E. Carson has had fifteen years of successful practice as an attorney at Youngstown. He is well known in the social and civic circles of that city, and has well earned the esteem of his community.

He was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, January 22, 1885, son of I. N. and Margaret (Carson) Carson. His parents were born in the same locality of Pennsylvania, of Scotch-Irish ancestry. His father is now a retired farmer in Pennsylvania.

Paul E. Carson liberally educated himself, attending the Pennsylvania State Normal, and in the Ohio Northern University graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1905 and in 1909 received his degree in law. He was then admitted to the Ohio bar, and at once engaged in practice at Youngstown. Since 1916 he has served as referee in bankruptcy at Youngstown.

In June, 1922, he married Miss Rose Heller, who was born in Cleveland, a daughter of Louis Heller. Mr. Carson is a democrat, is a Royal Arch Mason and Elk, and a member of the Youngstown Club. He is also a member of the Mahoning, Ohio State and the American Bar associations.

Carl Armstrong was for a number of years a member of the bar at Steubenville, but at the time of the World war located at Youngstown, and has achieved a successful and honorable place among the eminent lawyers of that city.

Mr. Armstrong represents two of the earliest families to settle in Eastern Ohio. He was born at New Alexandria, in Jefferson County, Ohio, September 1, 1876, son of David and Sarah (Fell) Armstrong, the Fells being of English and the Armstrongs of Scotch ancestry. His paternal grandparents were John and Margaret (McCammon) Armstrong, the former a native of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and the latter of Shippensburg of the same state. The maternal grandparents were Aaron and Rachael (Naylor) Fell, both born at Smithfield in Jefferson County, Ohio, and of Pennsylvania Quaker stock. Grandfather John Armstrong bought some of the first land in Jefferson County in 1798, only a short time after General Wayne had conquered the Indians in the Northwest, resulting in the treaty of Greenville. The Fell family settled in Jefferson County about the same time, and on both sides they were farmers. The parents of Mr. Carl Armstrong spent their lives in Jefferson County.

He was reared in his native county on a farm, attended public schools, and subsequently continued his education in Mount Union College at Alliance and the Ohio Northern University at Ada. He graduated from the Law School in 1906, and after his admission to the bar practiced for ten years at Steubenville. He then returned to Ohio Northern University as an instructor in the law department for two years, and during 1917 served as dean of the department, a

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position that some years before had been held by present United States Senator Frank B. Willis. Mr. Armstrong in January, 1918, resigned, and, coming to Youngstown, took up practice with the law firm of Osborne & George.

He married in 1901, Miss Bertha Scott, a native of New Alexandria, Ohio, daughter of David M. and Mary (Clancy) Scott, natives of the same county. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong have two sons, David W., born December 29, 1902, and Lamar S., born August 2, 1904. Both are graduates of the South High School at Youngstown, and are now students in Mount Union College at Alliance. Mr. Armstrong and family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a democrat in politics, has been through the chairs in his Lodge of Odd Fellows and is also a member of the Masonic Order and the Sigma Nu college fraternity.

JOHN V. MCNICHOLAS is a native of Youngstown, and is proprietor of a prosperous draying and cartage business, an enterprise he has built up from modest beginnings and through his own efforts.

Mr. McNicholas was born in Youngstown in January, 1878. His parents, John and Hannah (Newell) McNicholas, came from Ireland to Youngstown prior to the Civil war. His father was a puddler in the steel mills for many years and is now living retired, the mother having passed away in 1917.

John V. McNicholas was educated in St. Ann's parochial schools, and at the age of seventeen became a worker in the steel mills. He was connected with the iron and steel industry in the Youngstown district altogether for nine years. Then with one horse and wagon he started draying, and has steadily increased his facilities so that he is now at the head of a business handling an immense amount of traffic annually. He still keeps one horse as part of his equipment, but most of his work is done with six automobile trucks.

Mr. McNicholas married in 1911 Miss Mary Carney, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of James and Mary (Flynn) Carney. Her parents were born in Ireland. The four children of Mr. and Mrs. McNicholas are John, Henry, Paul and Rosemary. The family are members of St. Ann's Catholic Church. He votes as a republican, is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, and for a number of years served as president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

EDWARD J. FOX is a funeral director at Youngstown, his business being located at 1825 Oak Hill Avenue. He was reared in Youngstown, and was one of the city's enlisted men in the World war.

He was born August 23, 1888, son of John and Mary (McFarland) Fox. His parents were born in Ireland, and as young children came to Youngstown, where they grew up and married. John Fox was in the grocery business for many years, until his death on May 5, 1908. The widowed mother now resides at 729 Willow Street.

Edward J. Fox was educated in the Catholic parochial schools of Youngstown, graduating in 1908. While working in his father's store he attended night classes in the Young Men's Christian Association, and in 1914 went to Cleveland, where he secured his training in the undertaking business and was granted an embalmer's license.

In February, 1918, he enlisted in the ammunition train of the Sixth Division, and was in training at Camp Wadsworth, South Carolina, from July 4, 1918, when he sailed for overseas. He was on duty in Alsace-Lorraine and in the Argonne, and after the war returned to the United States, received his honorable discharge at Camp Sherman July 13, 1919, and reached home the next day.

Mr. Fox on November 20, 1919, engaged in business for himself at 1825 Oak Hill Avenue. He has a well equipped business and renders a highly efficient service. He is a member of the Mahoning and Trumbull Counties Funeral Directors Club and the Ohio State Funeral Directors Association.

On February 16, 1920, he married Miss Mollie Holden, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of Edward and Mary (Hennessey) Holden. Her parents were born in Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Fox have two children, John, born February 5, 1921, and Mary, born February 29, 1924. They are members of Saint Patrick's Catholic Church. Mr. Fox is independent in politics, and fraternally is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

VICTOR ROLAND TURNER, M. D. Regarding as a priceless heritage his descent from old and honored families of this country, Dr. Victor Roland Turner, one of the able practicing physicians of Newark, is justly recognized as one of the leading men of Licking County and of the medical fraternity. He was born at Waynesfield, Ohio, February 17, 1887, a son of Dr. W. S. and Mary C. (Patterson) Turner. The elder Doctor Turner was a practicing physician at Newark for several years, and spent his life as a professional man. The paternal ancestors came, at an early day in the history of this country, from England, and have since then been numbered among the loyal citizens. The maternal grandfather, William Harrod, was born in Allen County, Ohio, and he was a descendent of Capt. James Harrod, the Indian fighter who with Daniel Boone founded Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Mrs. Turner, mother of Doctor Turner of this review, is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Dr. Victor Roland Turner attended Denison University, Granville, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1909, with the degree of Bachelor of Science; Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1911, with the degree of Master of Arts; Johns Hopkins Medical School, Baltimore, Maryland, from which he was graduated in 1915, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine; and the Army Medical School, Washington City, from which he was graduated in 1918.

For one year after he completed his medical course, Doctor Turner served as an interne in a Baltimore hospital, and then for two years he was associated with Dr. U. K. Essington. In August, 1917, he enlisted in the medical department of the United States Army, and was called to the colors in 1918. For two years he served in the Regular Army, with the rank of first lieutenant, and had charge of the X-ray department at Camp Dix, New Jersey, and of the heart station at the Army Medical School for several months. For the past four years he has been engaged in a regular practice at Newark. During 1924 he is serving as vice president of the Licking County Medical Society. Fraternally he belongs to Phi Delta Theta college fraternity, and Phi Chi medical fraternity. The First Baptist Church of Newark holds his membership.

In June, 1917, Doctor Turner was married, at Baltimore, Maryland, to Marion E. Hendricks, a daughter of Mrs. William Hendricks, a native of Maryland. There are no children.

FRED B. KING. During the past quarter of a century the name King has become prominently known in connection with the undertaking business in Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley. Fred B. King is an official in one of the highest class funeral directing firms in the state.

Fred B. King was born at West Middlesex, in Mercer County, Pennsylvania, December 17, 1868, son

of Benjamin G. and Anna (Lineberger) King. His father was born at Pulaski, in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania, and his mother at West Middlesex. Benjamin G. King was a well-known undertaker in Pennsylvania, and in 1897 moved to Youngstown and bought an interest in the James B. Drake undertaking establishment. He was a member of that firm until his death in July, 1902. At that time the business was incorporated as the Fred B. King Company. The president of this company is P. Jason King, who is a member of King Brothers at Girard, Ohio, undertakers and furniture. Fred B. King is secretary and manager of the business, while Frank W. King is vice president; May M. King, treasurer, and Mrs. Florence Jenkins, assistant secretary.

Fred B. King was educated in the grammar and high schools of Pennsylvania and in the Pittsburgh Business College, and has spent over twenty-five years in the undertaking business. He is a member of the Mahoning and Trumbull Counties Funeral Directors Club and the Ohio State Association of Funeral Directors and Embalmers.

Mr. King began his career at Pittsburgh, in 1890, with the American Press Association, and subsequently was with the maintenance of way department of the Pennsylvania Railroad, located at Lawrence Junction. In 1898 he became an employe of the Ohio Steel Company, in the purchasing department, and then, in 1902, at the death of his father, took charge of the present business at Youngstown.

Mr. King is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, is a republican, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and is past master of West Middlesex Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and past commander of Saint John's Commandery of the Knights Templar of Youngstown, and a member of Al Koran Shrine Temple, Cleveland. He served as recorder of his commandery for nineteen years. He is a member of Youngstown Lodge, No. 154, Knights of Pythias, and also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Youngstown Lodge, No. 403.

December 31, 1903, Mr. King married Miss Mary P. Gibner, a native of Erie County, Pennsylvania, and daughter of Wesley and Eva (Pruden) Gibner, of Pennsylvania. They have four children: Benjamin G., Frederick B., Richard E. and Margaret Louise. All the children are at home except Benjamin, who is a student of piano and pipe organ in New York City.

Fred Montgomery Orr is the active head of one of the old and reliable undertaking firms of Youngstown, John S. Orr & Son, a business that has taken pride in keeping its equipment and facilities up to the highest standard of the profession.

Mr. Orr was born at Youngstown, March 6, 1874, son of John Scott and Sarah (Montgomery) Orr. His paternal grandfather was James Orr, a native of Pennsylvania, who married a Miss McLaughlin, and in 1859 moved to Youngstown. His maternal grandparents were Joseph and Nancy (Smith) Montgomery, natives of Pennsylvania, and also early settlers of Youngstown. John Scott Orr was born at Mount Jackson, Pennsylvania, and married Sarah Montgomery on February 16, 1863, while he was home on a furlough from the Union army, being a member of the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Pennsylvania Infantry. John S. Orr followed the trade of carpenter until the fall of 1870, when he became associated with the firm of Gilman, Orr & Company, furniture dealers and undertakers. The present business, therefore, represents the consecutive history of more than half a century. Later Mr. Shields succeeded Mr. Gilman, and in time the business was made exclusively that of funeral directors. John Scott Orr died July 10, 1911. His widow lives at Youngstown, and is now past four score, having been born in this Ohio city July 17, 1842. The children were: Edith, wife of C. H. Kennedy, of Youngstown; Sarah Bessie, living with her mother; Fred Montgomery; and his twin sister, Nettie, widow of Dr. James B. Orwig, of Toledo.

Fred Montgomery Orr attended the grammar and high schools of Youngstown, and graduated in June, 1892, from the Peekskill Military Academy. Soon afterward he went to work in his father's establishment, and in 1900 formed a partnership of John S. Orr & Son, funeral directors. The business has been continued under that title ever since. Its home is at 124 Lincoln Avenue. Fred M. Orr is a past president of the Mahoning-Trumbull County Funeral Directors Club, and a member of the Funeral Directors Association of the State of Ohio, and of the National Selected Morticians, with headquarters at Des Moines, Iowa.

On October 7, 1902, he married Miss Harriet Sims, a native of Youngstown and daughter of John and Letitia Sims. Two children were born to their marriage, Sarah dying at the age of two years, and the surviving daughter is Letitia Jane. Mr. Orr is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, is a republican, is past commander of Saint John's Commandery No. 20, Knights Templar, and also a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. He is a member of Youngstown Lodge No. 35, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Protective Home Circle.

Edward L. Morrison is a native of Youngstown, and for a number of years has been prominently connected with secret service and detective work, being head of the Youngstown branch of one of the most prominent agencies in the United States.

He was born at Youngstown, September 20, 1889, son of Andrew and Margaret (Feeney) Morrison, his father a native of Scotland and his mother of England. They were married in the United States, and his father was a steel worker. The father died February 4, 1920, and the mother, October 20, 1923.

Edward L. Morrison graduated from the Youngstown High School in 1914 and then went on the road as a salesman for woodenware and hardware. In 1917, while in Los Angeles, California, for the benefit of his health, he became an investigator for a firm doing Government work. He spent two years in that work, and on returning to Youngstown became investi gator for the Morden Detective Company. Since April 16, 1923, he has been general manager for the offices at Youngstown, Akron and Dover, Ohio; Wheeling, West Virginia, and New Castle, Pennsylvania, and is planning to open a number of other offices during 1924 and 1925.

Mr. Morrison married in January, 1914, Miss Anna Whiteside, who was born in England. They have two children, Ruth and Edward. The family are members of Saint Patrick's Church at Youngstown, and Mr. Morrison is a republican.

Chester R. Adams is one of the active and enterprising younger men in the real estate and financial circles of Youngstown, where he is assistant secretary and treasurer of the Liberty Mortgage and Discount Company.

He was born at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in 1892, son of Andrew J. and Maria (Groff) Adams, natives of Pennsylvania. He acquired a public school education in his native state, and at the age of seventeen went to work as a clerk in a hotel at Dayton, Ohio. He was there a year and a half, and then with a partner bought a hotel and was its active manager for a year. Selling his interest in that he was employed in the Ideal Dairy Lunch establishment at

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Dayton for three months, and then came to Youngstown, where for three years he was assistant manager of the Ideal Dairy Lunch establishment, and for one year had the active management. He then became manager of the cafeteria at the Engle Aircraft Company's plant at Niles, Ohio. He spent fifteen months in that capacity, and then went with the Realty Security Company of Youngstown. After two and one-half years with that organization he became sales manager of the Home Realty Exchange Company and assistant secretary and treasurer of the Liberty Mortgage and Discount Company.

He married in 1916, Miss Edith James, a native of Sharon, Pennsylvania, and daughter of Samuel and Anna James, who were born in Swansea, Wales. They have one son, Gordon Wallace Adams,, born November 18, 1919. Mr. Adams is a republican, is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he and his wife belong to the Welsh Baptist Church.

JOHN HOWARD WILSON, prominently identified with the insurance business at Youngstown, was educated for the law, and practiced that profession for a time before locating at Youngstown.

He was born at Beaver, Pennsylvania, February 1, 1890, son of J. Sharp and Ida (Hazen) Wilson. His parents were born in Franklin Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania. John Howard Wilson was liberally educated, graduated from Washington and Jefferson College in Pennsylvania in 1911 and from the Law School of the University of Pittsburgh in 1914. He was admitted to practice by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, and for one year was an instructor in the Law School of the University of Pittsburgh, and engaged in private practice at Beaver.

Mr. Wilson moved to Youngstown in 1916 to become manager of the casualty and surety departments of the General Insurance Agency Company. This business is now conducted by the Medbury-Wilson Company, and Mr. Wilson in addition to continuing his responsibilities as manager of the casualty and surety departments, is also vice president and secretary of the company.

In June, 1915, he married Miss Rhodabelle Medbury, a native of Youngstown and daughter of Frank B. and Dollie (Brothers) Medbury. They have two children, Dorothy Medbury and John Howard, Jr. Mr. Wilson is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Beaver, Pennsylvania, is an independent in politics, and is a member of the college fraternity Phi Delta Theta and the legal fraternity of Phi Delta Phi, and also a member of Saint Albans Lodge of Masons. He is a member of the Youngstown Club.

CHARLES F. SCHEIBLE, who took office as mayor of the City of Youngstown January 1, 1924, is a former director of public service, and for many years has been identified with the Youngstown district as one of the expert iron and steel workers.

He was born at Youngstown, May 29, 1869, son of John and Christine (Meyers) Scheible. His father was born in Baden, Germany, and his mother at Strassberg, and they were married in Youngstown. His father died in 1902 and his mother in 1891. John Scheible was a shoemaker by trade, and in early days made shoes for old Governor Tod. Charles F. Scheible attended the public schools until the age of eleven, and as a boy he had some training in the shoemaker's art under his father. Subsequently he became an employe in the Arms-Belt Nut and Bolt Company's factory, at first as a bolt heater and after a year learned the trade of nail feeder, a skilled trade which he followed for four years. Then for seven years he was in the City Flour Mills at Youngstown, becoming proficient in that technical occupation. From January, 1891, for many years Mr. Scheible was in steel construction work, until February 1, 1921, when he became a director of public service. In May, 1923, he again took charge of construction work for iron mills, and in the fall of that year was elected mayor.

Mr. Scheible married in May, 1894, Miss Cora B. Williams, a native of Brookfield, Ohio, and daughter of William D. and Sarah Williams, who came from Wales. Mr. and Mrs. Scheible have two children: Juanita, wife of Myron C. Kinder, of Youngstown, and Charles R., of Youngstown.

Mayor Scheible has always affiliated with the republican party. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, has filled the chairs in his Knights of Pythias Lodge, and is a member of Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Hazelton Lodge No. 456.

GEORGE MCCULLOCK KERR, M. D. Member of a family that has figured in professional circles in Ohio for several generations, Dr. George McCullock Kerr of West Jefferson has gained high rank as a physician and surgeon. He was one of the medical officers in the Thirty-seventh Division during the World war.

He was born at Washington Courthouse, Ohio, December 11, 1884. Both his father and grandfather were prominent Ohio newspaper men. His grandfather, Henry V. Kerr, was born at Batavia, Ohio, and in 1878 established his home at Washington Courthouse, where he became owner of the Washington Courthouse Cyclone, and made that a strong and influential democratic newspaper. He always kept in close touch with state and national politics, and for two terms was state librarian at Columbus. He was a cousin of President Benjamin Harrison, whom he entertained in his home at Batavia.

John D. Kerr, father of Doctor Kerr, was born at Batavia, Ohio, in 1852, was a graduate of Miami College, and accompanied his father to Washington Courthouse in 1878. After his father retired, he considered him as editor and owner of the Washington Courthouse Cyclone. For a number of years he was in the Internal Revenue Service of the United States Government as a gauger at Linchburg, Ohio. John D. Kerr died in 1910. His wife, Josephine Myers was born and married at Goshen, Ohio, where her father, John Emery Myers, rendered a long and faithful service in the medical profession. He was a graduate of Miami Medical College at Cincinnati. He was also active in politics, serving two terms in the State Legislature from 1880 to 1885, and also two terms in the State Senate.

George McCullock Kerr graduated from the Washington Courthouse High School in 1904 and subsequently entered the Sterling Medical College at Columbus where he was graduated in 1910. For seven years he practiced medicine at Lilly Chapel, Ohio.

On May 2, 1917, he was commissioned as first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps, and subsequently promoted to captain. He was assigned duties with the One Hundred and Forty-second Field Hospital, in the Thirty-seventh Division, and had three months of training at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, and then at Camp Sheridan in Alabama. In the spring of 1918 he went with the Thirty-seventh Division to France, and was on active duty during the rest of the war, sharing in the glorious record made by the Thirty-seventh Division, composed chiefly of Ohio troops. He was in the Baccarat, and the Meuse Argonne, and the Belgian sectors, being in Belgium when the armistice was signed. He returned to the United States March 15, 1919, and was mustered out at Chillicothe, Ohio, April 28, 1919.

Doctor Kerr on May 5, following his discharge from the army, located at West Jefferson, and has since been engaged in the general practice of medi-

cine. He is now serving his second term as a member of the Madison County Board of Health, and belongs to the various medical societies. For two terms he was a member of the school board of Fairfield Township, but is now a member of the West Jefferson Town Council. He is a democrat, a member of the Methodist Church, and is a Scottish Rite Mason and Odd Fellow.

At Columbus, November 24, 1909, Doctor Kerr married Miss Lillian Woodard, daughter of Benjamin and Catherine Woodard of Madison County. Of the two children born to their marriage, the surviving daughter is Phyllis Carolyn, born in 1914.

JAMES M. MCCARTNEY, president of the McCartney Realty Company, with offices in the Home Savings and Loan Building, at Youngstown, has spent practically all his life on land acquired by his grandfather in pioneer times, more than a century ago. The McCartney Realty Company was organized to develop a portion of the old McCartney homestead as a home sub-division.

Mr. McCartney was born in Coitsville Township of Mahoning County, February 15, 1873, son of Joseph and Mary (Milligan) McCartney. His grandfather, James McCartney, was born in Ireland, October 1, 1791, and in 1815 married Elizabeth Maxwell, who was born in the same locality in 1793. In 1817 they came to America, and in 1819 settled at Youngstown, where James McCartney worked as a shoemaker and also conducted a brick yard, making the material which entered into one of the first brick houses in the city. Subsequently he bought the land in Coitsville Township which has since been known as the McCartney homestead. He died there April 16, 1869, and his wife, on April 14, 1865.

Joseph G. McCartney, their son, was born in an old log house that stood on the McCartney homestead, July 10, 1834, and as a boy he helped erect the substantial brick house in which he spent the greater part of his life. He was a farmer and dairyman, and during his lifetime he laid out a portion of his farm into what he named Marion Heights, in honor of his granddaughter, Marion McGeehan. He was a pioneer in the prohibition movement and also advocated woman's suffrage, and for a number of years was a justice of the peace. He was an official member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Joseph G. McCartney, who died March 19, 1910, married, December 13, 1865, Miss Mary Milligan. She was born at Coitsville, September 25, 1840, and still lives at the McCartney homestead. Her father, James Milligan, was born in Ireland, son of John and Margaret Milligan, and the family came to the United States when he was a boy. James Milligan married Catherine McGuffey, member of the family of Mahoning County distinguished especially in educational affairs. She was a granddaughter of Alexander McGuffey, and her mother, Catherine McGuffey, was a sister of William H. McGuffey, editor of the famous "McGuffey Readers." Joseph G. McCartney and wife had the following children: William, who was educated as a civil engineer, and is now deceased; Matilda, mother of the Marion McGeehan, above mentioned, by her first husband, Thomas McGeehan, and she is now Mrs. William H. Reed, of East Youngstown; Bessie, widow of Dr. Osborne Yost, of East Youngstown; James M.; Adeline, wife of I. L. Small, of Pasadena, California, and Minnie, who died at the age of sixteen years.

James M. McCartney, only surviving son, was reared at the old homestead, was educated in the public schools, and as a boy assisted his father on the farm and in operating the dairy. After his marriage he built a modern residence on an acre of ground adjoining the home of his parents, and continued farming, though for five years he was employed in a factory. He then resumed farming and dairying at the old homestead, and in 1920 engaged in the real estate business, with offices in the Home Savings and Loan Building at Youngstown. He and other members of the family organized the McCartney Realty Company, to develop and sell the old homestead farm. He is president of the company, Mrs. Reed is general manager, and Mrs. Yost is secretary and treasurer. The company has also handled a tract of 117 acres on Lake Milton.

Mr. McCartney is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for many years served as a member of the Board of Education of East Youngstown. He is independent in politics, and is a member of the Lodge and Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

On June 23, 1897, he married Miss Laura B. Willson, a native of Coitsville Township, and daughter of Albert and Lucille Willson, the only daughter of their marriage, Geraldine, died at the age of fourteen months.

RALPH G. DAVIS is active head of one of the oldest and largest insurance agencies in the City of Youngstown, the Davis-Woodman Company. It is a business that was established over forty-five years ago, and with it the Davis family has been identified continuously.

Ralph G. Davis was born in Youngstown, in February 1883, son of John R. and Maria S. (Richards) Davis. His mother was born in Wales and died in 1920. His father, a native of Portage County, Ohio, spent his active career in the insurance business and died in 1900. While a member of the State Legislature he took an active part in Legislation which made possible the setting aside of the park known as Mill Creek Park.

Ralph G. Davis attended grammar and high schools at Youngstown, and at the age of twenty-one, in 1904, he became associated with his brother John R. in conducting the business known as the John R. Davis Sons. This insurance agency had been established by his father in 1877. In 1906 Ralph Davis bought the interest of his brother, and in 1912 incorporated the business as the Davis Security Insurance Agency Company. In 1923 the present name of Davis-Woodman Company was adopted, with Mr. Davis as president and manager, T. A. Woodman, vice president and treasurer, and A. H. Hardin, secretary.

On April 6, 1912, Mr. Davis married Miss Josephine Robbins, a native of Niles, Ohio, and daughter of Charles W. and Julia (Woodward) Robbins. They have two daughters, Julia and Mary. Mr. Davis is a member of the First Baptist Church, is a republican, a member of the Masonic Order, and belongs to the Youngstown Club and Youngstown Country Club. He has had the responsibilities of a successful business, but has also been active in local affairs. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Builders Exchange.

SAMUEL F. RUKENBROD is president and active manager of a very successful business of sheet metal work and roofing, an industry with which he has been identified since early youth. Mr. Rukenbrod is well known in Youngstown business circles, and has lived in that city for over thirty years.

He was born at Unity Ohio, in March, 1871, son of Jacob and Rosanna (Lautenschlager) Rukenbrod. His parents were natives of Unity, Ohio. His father, a butcher, died six months after the birth of Samuel F., and eight years later the widowed mother married Christian Zeigler, of Columbiana, Ohio. Samuel F. Rukenbrod was educated in public schools, and at the age of sixteen began an apprenticeship at the

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tinner's trade. After four years of work he came to Youngstown and became an employe of the James Squire Company, which was later the John R. Squire Company, roofing, spouting and general sheet metal work. He was foreman and vice president of this company until it went out of business. Mr. Rukenbrod then bought the tools and equipment of the old firm, and on November 6, 1922, continued the business under the name of S. F. Rukenbrod and Company, and the business is now incorporated. It is still located at the place where its predecessor was in business, 355 East Wood Street. Mr. Rukenbrod is president and treasurer of the corporation, Charles Watkins, vice president, and W. Rukenbrod, secretary.

While connected with the John R. Squire Company Mr. Rukenbrod served as president and treasurer of the Employers Association. He has been a trustee of the Builders Exchange. In his own business he employs about twelve skilled workers.

On January 24, 1894, he married Miss Welthy Paulin, a native of Woodworth, Ohio, and daughter of Elias and Elizabeth (Snyder) Paulin. They have one son, Howard Jacob. Mr. Rukenbrod is an independent voter, has held the various chairs in the Junior Order United American Mechanics, is banker of the Woodmen of the World and a member of the Loyal Order of Moose.

GEORGE T. HALLDEN is proprietor of a general transfer and trucking business at Youngstown, his business headquarters and offices being at 334 East Wood Street.

He was born in Staffordshire, England, December 7, 1872. Six years later, in 1878, his parents, Uriah and Lucella (Foster) Hallden, came to America and settled at Youngstown, where his father followed the trade of shoemaker. His parents are now deceased.

George T. Hallden was educated in the public schools of Front Street, and when thirteen years of age, with a single horse, began hauling goods through the streets of Youngstown, and from that modest beginning has made a prosperous transfer business and general cartage. His equipment now consists of two large and two small automobile trucks. He also conducts a garage for trucks, and has a modern home.

Mr. Hallden married, December 26, 1888, Miss Mary Crawford, who was born at Youngstown, September 24, 1872, daughter of Isaac and Sarah Jane (Arkwright) Crawford. Mr. and Mrs. Hallden have five children: John, associated with his father in business; Lucilla, wife of Anthony Ferreri, of Youngstown; Gertrude, wife of Edward McElroy, of Youngstown; George William and Harry, both in business with their father. The family are members of St. John's Parish. Mrs. Hallden is a member of the Woman's Benefit Association, and in politics they are republicans.

JOSEPH BUCHHEIT is a general contractor whose work has been a contributing factor to the building enterprise around Youngstown for a number of years. Mr. Buchheit came to Youngstown many years ago as a boy from a foreign land, and has overcome the handicap of lack of knowledge of the American language and has mastered many difficulties in his rise to prosperity.

He was born in one of the Rhine provinces of Germany, March 22, 1876, son of Bernard and Mary (Wagner) Buchheit. His parents spent all their lives in Germany. Joseph Buchheit was reared and educated there, and at the age of seventeen came to Youngstown. For one year he worked on farms, and then learned the brick laying trade. He was a journeyman bricklayer eight years, and then took up mason contracting. Since 1907 his business has been that of a general contractor with offices in the Rayen-Wood Building. He has served as a trustee of the Builders Exchange of Youngstown.

In 1899 Mr. Buchheit married Miss Mary Wilhelm, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of Mathew and Angeline (Veanthier) Wilhelm. Her parents were born in Germany. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Buchheit are: Bernard, who married Florence Joyce, Carl, Angla, Marian, Earl, Alma and Margaret. The son Bernard is now the active business associate of his father. The family are members of St. Joseph's German Catholic Church. Mr. Buchheit is a republican and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

CLEMENT A. RUKENBROD, whose parents and grandparents were born in Mahoning County, is one of the young men of enterprise in Youngstown, where he is manager of the Crystal Ice & Storage Company.

Mr. Rukenbrod was born at Leetonia, Ohio, November 30, 1889, son of William H. and Elizabeth (Wagner) Rukenbrod. His parents were born in Beaver Township, Mahoning County, and are still living there, having devoted their lives to the farm. The paternal grandparents, Solomon T. and Mary (Baird) Rukenbrod, were born in Mahoning County. The maternal grandfather, John Wagner, was born in the same county, both the Wagners and Rukenbrods having been pioneers of this section of Ohio, and originally came from Pennsylvania.

Clement A. Rukenbrod was a farm boy during his youth, attended grammar and high schools, and in 1908, at the age of nineteen, went to work for the Crystal Ice & Storage Company as a collector. A year later he was put in the office, became office manager, then was promoted to assistant manager of the business, and since 1918 has had the management of this prosperous business concern. James A. Campbell is president, F. G. King, vice president, and James L. Wick, Jr., secretary and treasurer of the company.

Mr. Rukenbrod married, May 30, 1913, Miss Ruth Diser. She was born at New Springfield, Ohio, daughter of Dewin and Sarah Diser. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Rukenbrod are Jane Louise and Sarah Elizabeth. The family are members of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a republican, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Credit Men's Association, and has held a commission as notary public since 1915.

GEORGE S. GRABER. Of the various mercantile concerns at Columbus, probably the one that has achieved most nearly a national reputation is the antique furniture shop of George S. Graber. It is in accordance with commercial as valid as the law of gravitation that service, reliable goods, specialized and authoritative knowledge attracts trade from all quarters of the globe. That has been the source of Mr. Graber's unique success in his chosen line of business.

He is a native of Ohio born in 1875, son of Augustine and Catherine (Behr) Graber. He was reared and educated in the public schools at Pomeroy, and as a youth learned the upholsterer's trade.

Mr. Graber has been a resident of Columbus since 1897. In 1900 he started a modest shop as a dealer in antique furniture and upholsterer. Upholstering was the foundation of his business, and still remains one of its principal features. He does a greater business in this line than any other concern in Columbus. His workrooms employ eleven skilled workers in this trade.

However, at an early date he became personally interested in the collection and sale of antique furniture, and his long continued study and experience have made him one of the foremost authorities on all

subjects connected with antique and period furniture. His is now one of the largest antique furniture houses in the United States. He ships to buyers and collectors in practically every state in the union, and to some foreign countries, including India. His main store is at 2485-2489 North High Street in Columbus. He also has a work shop and a separate warehouse. He owns another store in Los Angeles, California, located at 617 North Western Avenue. Of this his brother, Charles S. Graber, has charge.

Mr. Graber has agents and correspondents at various points in the country and through them he keeps track of and procures for his stock the finest and most interesting collections of antique furniture, clocks, spinets and various musical instruments. He often procures articles of very great historical value and associations. Many prominent people from all over the country are on his list of regular customers. During the tourist season in the spring and summer his trade is especially large, since many travelers in passing through Columbus make it a special point to stop at the Graber shop. One of his customers, whose visit attracted special attention in the summer of 1923, was Henry Ford, who motored down from Detroit for the express purpose of making expensive purchases from the Graber collections. This gave him the idea of opening a branch store in Detroit, at 2709 Woodward Avenue, where he is doing an extensive business.

Mr. Graber is a member of Mount Vernon Methodist Church at Columbus. For many years he has been interested in and active in church work, particularly mission work and work among prisons and reformatories. For three years he was regularly engaged in the evangelistic service. He is a member of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, the Columbus Automobile Club, and a Knight of Pythias.

William Lawrence Malloy. Born and reared in Youngstown, Mr. Malloy had a period of training with the military forces of the country during the World war, and since his discharge has been active in the insurance field in his native city.

He was born at Youngstown, March 26, 1895, a son of John H. and Ella (Murray) Malloy, his father a native of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and his mother of Youngstown. John H. Malloy is a retired steel worker.

William Lawrence Malloy attended the grammar school, the Rayen High School, and, beginning at the age of nineteen, was employed in the traffic department of the Concrete Steel Company for several years. When he was called to the colors he was assigned duty with the Seventh Regiment of Field Artillery at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, and was made acting sergeant.

On his return to Youngstown he became associated with his brother, George F. Malloy, who for several years had been in the insurance business. Their offices are in the Dollar Bank Building. They do a general business in insurance, and their firm is a continuation of a business that was established about 1880.

Mr. Malloy married, October 14, 1921, Miss Gertrude M. Gilronan, of Youngstown, daughter of Hugh J. and Mary (Braun) Gilronan. They have one daughter, Mary Elaine, born May 5, 1923. Mr. and Mrs. Malloy are members of St. Edward's Catholic Church. Mr. Malloy is secretary of the Malloy Agency Company.

Thomas William Miller is a native of Youngstown, and for a number of years has been in business as a contractor on public work, chiefly municipal improvements, and is also a coal operator.

He was born at Youngstown, December 31, 1884, son of John Andrew and Hedwig (Johnson) Miller. His parents were born in Sweden, and in 1874 came to Youngstown, where they lived out their lives. John A. Miller was in the contracting business. Thomas William Miller was educated in public schools at Youngstown, and at the age of sixteen began a five-year period of apprenticeship and work at the machinists' trade. For two years he was an employe in the city engineer's office, and since then has been engaged in contracting, chiefly street improvement. In 1918 he also became a coal operator, mining coal at Lisbon, Ohio. His brother, George J. Miller, was associated with him in the contracting business until his death in 1918, and since then another brother, Fred A. Miller, has been associated with him. The Miller Brothers Coal Company, incorporated in 1918, has as its president C. B. Cushwa, D. R. Fithian as vice president, and T. W. Miller, treasurer and manager.

Mr. Miller married in 1908 Miss Helen Hallberg, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of John and Henrietta (Blixberg) Hallberg. Her parents were born in Sweden. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Miller are Dorothy Helen and Thomas W., Jr. The family are members of Indianola Methodist Episcopal Church, of which Mr. Miller is one of the official board. He is a republican, is affiliated with Western Star Lodge of Masons, the Kiwanis Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the Builders Exchange.

Chase T. Truesdale, president of the South Side Savings Bank in Youngstown, was for two terms county treasurer of Mahoning County, an office which his father had held many years earlier.

Mr. Truesdale was born at Austintown, Mahoning County, September 29, 1855, son of John R. and Mary (Tomson) Truesdale. His father was born at Austintown in 1820, and his mother at Youngstown in 1822. The grandfather, James Truesdale, was one of the early settlers in Mahoning County. The family name has been conspicuous in that county since early days. The Truesdale family settled in America a few years before the Revolutionary war, and one of the ancestors of Chase T. Truesdale was an American soldier for a time. John R. Truesdale, who died in 1879, was a farmer, and twice served as infirmary director of Mahoning County, and was elected county treasurer in 1866 and reelected in 1868. His wife's father, Cornelius Tomson, was a native of Connecticut, and married Mary Kyle. John R. Truesdale and wife had the following children: William Clark, deceased; Ella, who married W. S. Johnson and is deceased; Lottie, wife of A. P. Webb, of Youngstown; Chase T.; Charles, deceased; and Belle, Mrs. F. D. Klotz, of Youngstown.

Chase T. Truesdale was educated in schools at Austintown to the age of fifteen, assisting in the work of the farm during his youth. In 1880 he became an employe in the Homer Baldwin flour mills at Youngstown, and for twenty-seven years was with that prominent local industry. In 1906 he was elected county treasurer and in 1908 reelected, serving two terms, having been elected just forty years after his father's election to the same office. Mr. Truesdale was elected a member of the city council in 1900, serving until he resigned to become county treasurer.

Upon its organization, Mr. Truesdale became president of the South Side Savings Bank in 1914. This bank was organized with a capital of $100,000. He is also an official in the school subsidiary organizations, the South Side Savings and Loan Company and the South Side Discount Company. He is also a director in the firm of Rose & Johnson, wholesale grocers.

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Mr. Truesdale is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church and in politics he is a republican. In 1883 he married Maria E. Wooldridge, a native of Cleveland, Ohio, her father having been born in England. Their only child is Mrs. Bessie Smith, living with her parents, and the mother of a daughter, Elizabeth.

GEORGE F. MALLOY. One of the old insurance organizations that has served the interests of Youngstown faithfully and well is the agency conducted by Malloy Brothers. George F. Malloy has been in the insurance business for a number of years, and the agency he now conducts is one that was founded about 1880 by Murphy & Quinn.

Mr. Malloy was born at Youngstown, October 31, 1885. Since early youth he has been dependent upon his own exertions, and has made his own way in the world. He attended St. Ann's Parochial School, and in 1904 went to work as general timekeeper in the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company. After two years he became checker of repairs on cars with the Erie Railroad Company, spending two years with that company and then for three and a half years was employed in the order department of the Carnegie Steel Company.

It was after this experience in business that he took up insurance, and has since been successful in building up an organization affording expert service and counsel in all forms of general insurance. His brother, John B., was associated with him as a partner for one year, but the present junior member of the firm of Malloy Brothers is Lawrence W. Malloy.

George F. Malloy married, in May, 1919, Miss Alice Brant, who was born at Hagersville, Ontario, Canada, daughter of Robert and Lydia (Lewis) Brant. They are members of St. Brendon's Catholic Church. Mr. Malloy is a republican, affiliated with Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, Loyal Order of Moose, the Lion's Club, and for four years was first vice president of the Youngstown Association of Insurance Agents. He is a member of the Youngstown Automobile Club and of the Brendon Club.

ERSKINE MCDOUGAL MAIDEN, JR., is a Youngstown attorney who saw active service in France during the World war. He had been actively engaged in the practice of his profession as a member of the firm of Henderson, Wickham & Maiden, before he went to training camp, and has acquitted himself with special credit during the past five years.

Mr. Maiden was born at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, July 10, 1891. He is a son of Erskine M. and Grace (Prentice) Maiden, his father born in Kirkcaldy and his mother in Motherwell, Scotland. They were married in Pittsburgh, and his father is now a master mechanic with the Republic Iron and Steel Company at Youngstown.

He graduated in 1909 from the Rayen High School of Youngstown, took his bachelor degree at Harvard University in 1913, and for two years studied law in the Harvard Law School. He spent six months in Western Reserve University, law department, and was admitted to the bar in 1916.

He then engaged in practice at Youngstown, and on August 25, 1917, entered the Second Officers' Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis. He received his commission after three months, was sent to Camp Sherman, and on May 1, 1918, with the 115th Field Artillery in the Thirtieth Division, was sent to Camp Sevier, North Carolina. From there he went overseas to Liverpool, and by way of South Hampton and La Havre, reached the scene of action in France. He was with the 115th Field Artillery until November 20, 1918, and saw active duty in the Saint Mihiel campaign and the Meuse-Argonne drive. He was with the Second Army in the operations on the Troyon sector. After the armistice he was transferred to the Thirteenth Field Artillery, Fourth Division, and was with the Army of Occupation in Germany. May 1, 1919, he was relieved from active duty, and returning to the United States was discharged at Camp Sherman June 30, 1919, with the rank of first lieutenant. He now holds a commission as a first lieutenant of Field Artillery in the Officers' Reserve Corps, and is an active member of the American Legion.

Since 1919 he has been engaged in law practice, being a member of the firm Morgan & Maiden, with offices in the Dollar Bank Building. Mr. Maiden is a member of the American Bar Association, in Masonry is affiliated with the lodge, Royal Arch Chapter and Council; is a republican in politics, and a member of the Tabernacle United Presbyterian Church.

He married, March 23, 1918, two weeks before he went overseas, Miss Irene Fowler, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of William and Annie (Williams) Fowler.

ARTHUR MORGAN is senior member of a prominent law firm in Youngstown. For a number of years he was connected with the law department of a railroad company at Pittsburgh, and much of his practice has been in corporation law.

Mr. Morgan was born at Youngstown, February 24, 1880, son of Benjamin G, and Mary Catherine (Morgan) Morgan. His mother was born in Youngstown, daughter of John Morgan, who came to Youngstown from Wales, and was a coal miner. The father of the Youngstown attorney was born in Glamorganshire, Wales, and came to the United States when twenty years of age and located in Youngstown, where he followed the business of carpenter and contractor.

Arthur Morgan graduated from the Rayen High School in Youngstown in 1899, and for a year and one-half was employed as a stenographer in the offices of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway Company. In 1905 he was admitted to the Pennsylvania bar and was employed in the legal department of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad Company at Pittsburgh. On January 4, 1916, he was admitted to the Ohio bar, and on June 1, 1917, engaged in private practice at Youngstown, with offices in the Dollar Bank Building. Mr. Morgan served as assistant claim agent and general claims attorney for the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railway Company.

Mr. Morgan, since 1917 has been treasurer of the Plymouth Congregational Church, and is teacher of the Bible School. He is a republican, a member of the Union League, a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Loyal Order of Moose, Knights of Pythias, and is president of the Optimist Club and a member of the Exchange Club. He has been associated with the late Hon. Wm. T. Gibson, an attorney of long standing in the city, and since 1920 has been the senior member of the firm of Morgan & Maiden, with offices in the Dollar Bank Building.

NICHOLAS A. CENCI, a prominent Columbus citizen of Italian parentage, is senior member of the firm of Cenci Brothers, merchants at 1773 West Fifth Avenue, where they are proprietors of what competent judges have pronounced to be the finest grocery store in Ohio.

Mr. Cenci was born at Vastogirardi, province of Campobasso, Italy. It was in 1906 that he came to Columbus, Ohio. Two years later, though still in his early youth, he engaged in business with his brother as proprietors of a small and unpretentious bakery. The fifteen years since then have marked its steady growth and progress, characteristic of the thrift and

enterprise of the Vastesi who come to this country to become American citizens. Hard work and constant attention to business have made the Cenci brothers to rank among the most substantial merchants of the city. A grocery business was added to the original bakery, and today the grocery store of the firm of Cenci Brothers, completed in 1923, is located at the corner of West Fifth Avenue and Glen Avenue in Columbus.

The building, two stories in height, is constructed of concrete and brick, and is of handsome architectural design, being a structure of the typical Italian style. The building is a distinctive ornament to this beautiful section of Columbus, and has been the direct means of increasing property values in the immediate vicinity. The first floor and basement are used entirely by the grocery and baking business, and a feature of the basement is a handsome and modern soda and lunch room.

The arrangement of the store represents what is undoubtedly the last word in the modern displaying and selling of merchandise. The counters, fixtures and equipment generally were made of the finest material upon special specifications, and the arrangements are generally the results of Mr. Cenci's long experience in merchandising, having in view the convenience of the customer and the efficient execution of the day's business. The store specializes in only the finest grades and brands of domestic and imported foods and table supplies.

The second floor contains living apartments of a beauty and luxury that have elicited admiration from all beholders. There are mantels of hand carved stone by Italian artists, rich and beautiful finishing and interior decorations, artistic doors, windows, electric lamps, all of the most expensive quality, and the standard of beauty and good taste extends even to the bathroom and kitchen.

Cenci Brothers is composed of Nicholas A. Cenci, senior member, and Pasquale Cenci, and another member of this successful family, although not actively engaged in the business, is John Cenci. These three brothers are among the leaders of the Italian people who are American citizens and prominent residents of Columbus. Mr. Nicholas A. Cenci is a member of various organizations, including the Elks, the Piave Society and the Dante Society. He married Miss Adelina Mormile, and they have an interesting family of four children: Florence, Esther, Mary and Derna. Mr. and Mrs. Pasquale Cenci have three children: Alma, Camillo and Andrew.

Clark H. Matteson. With the fire insurance business the name Matteson has been linked in Mahoning County for a period of forty years or more. Clark H. Matteson, with offices in the Mahoning Bank Building at Youngstown, is the present proprietor of the general agency that was started in a small way by his father.

His father was the late Charles F. Matteson, who was born in Medina County, Ohio, and in 1881 began selling insurance in Mahoning County and continued the business in successful volume until his death on September 20, 1923. His first wife was Florence Stone, who was born in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and died in 1902, and he afterwards married Fidelia Ripple, who resides at Canfield.

Clark H. Matteson was born at the home of his parents in Canfield, Ohio, September 27, 1885. During his boyhood he attended public school, graduated in 1905 from the Rayen High School at Youngstown, and subsequently went to Cuba, where he was associated with the management of a fruit plantation for several years. Returning to Youngstown in 1910, he went into his father's insurance office. In 1917 he became a clerk in the offices of the Sheet & Tube Steel Mills at Youngstown, but in 1921 returned to take part in the management of his father's business and succeeded to the proprietorship on his father's death.

Mr. Matteson married in 1908 Miss Laura Harry, who was born at Youngstown, a daughter of Richard T. and Martha (Billingham) Harry, her father a native of Maryland and her mother of England. Mr. and Mrs. Matteson have one daughter, Mary L., born April 14, 1911. The family are members of the Calvary Baptist Church, and Mr. Matteson is an independent republican and is affiliated with Youngstown Lodge No. 403, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Charles Gamble Watson, secretary and treasurer of the Youngstown Welding Company, is one of the successful men in this industry who has been fitted for his work by technical training and practical experience. Having worked for others, he knows the needs of his men, and is thus better able to direct the policies of his company than can one whose knowledge is but theoretical. He was born at Penfield, Monroe County, New York, December 16, 1891, a son of Abram M. and Martha (Gamble) Watson, natives of Penfield and Groveland, New York, respectively. Since reaching manhood Abram Watson has been a farmer, and he is now a substantial man of his community.

Better educated than the majority of farmers' sons, Charles Gamble Watson attended the district school, Webster High School, the Geneseo State Normal School, the Rochester Mechanics Institute and Columbia University, and left the latter in 1912. Coming then to Youngstown, he was engaged in school teaching for three years in this city, and then entered the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company, and worked on a construction line for eighteen months.

War then broke in upon his plans, and like the majority of the young men of the country he gave a military service during the World war. He enlisted in the Twenty-ninth Engineering Corps of the Regular United States Army, and was sent to France in the spring of 1918. After going abroad he was detailed as draughtsman at general headquarters at Chaumont. In July, 1919, he was returned to the United States and honorably discharged.

Coming back to Youngstown, he became field engineer for the Youngstown Pressed Steel Company for four months, and then went with the W. B. Pollock Company as assistant to the chief engineer. This association continued for one year and eight months, when he assumed his present duties with the Youngstown Welding Company, which was the first of its kind established in Mahoning County. The founder of the business, Walter D. McKay, now president of the Youngstown Welding Company, is a pioneer in the industry. Soon after organization Martin Raush was taken into the business, and the partners conducted a general repair shop until August 1, 1919, when the present company was incorporated, with Mr. McKay, as above stated, as president; Arthur Morgan as vice president and Martin Raush, treasurer. Mr. Watson later succeeded Mr. Raush. The capitalization is for $50,000. Since the company was incorporated the business has been developed into a general manufacturing one, producing transformers, cases, truck tanks, open-hearth hoods and miscellaneous light plate construction. The company owns its own plant at 536 West Rayen Avenue, where the premises are 37½x150 feet, and 72½x150 feet, and here employment is given to about twenty-five men. Recently the company has acquired a tract of land at Wickliffe, where the railroad facilities on a branch of the Erie are excellent. This expansion was made necessary on account of the large increase in business, and the new addition embraces four acres, which will afford ample space for some time to come.

Cenci Brothers Building

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On June 3, 1920, Mr. Watson was married at Youngstown, Ohio, to Sally Leedy, daughter of William and Sallie (Miller) Leedy, natives of Baltimore and Frederick County, Maryland, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Watson have no children. He was reared in the faith of the Presbyterian Church. In Masonry he has advanced through the York Rite and also belongs to the Mystic Shrine. He is past master of Beuchner Council. In politics he is a republican.

RALPH R. MILLER completed his education for the law about the time America entered the World war. For a portion of the war period he was with the navy, and then engaged in private practice at Youngstown, and is now an assistant director of law of that city.

He was born at Lima, Beaverhead County, Montana, November 13, 1891, son of J. H. W. and Mary J. (Gibson) Miller. His parents were born in Pennsylvania, his father having been born at Freeport and his mother at Blairsville. They were married at Freeport. The father for several years was in the train service of the Oregon Short Line Railway in Montana, but subsequently returned to Freeport, Pennsylvania, where he was engaged in merchandising until his death on November 9, 1914. His widow resides at Freeport.

Ralph R. Miller graduated from the high school at Freeport, Pennsylvania, in 1909, completed his literary education at Westminster College, Pennsylvania, in 1914, and studied law in the University of Pittsburgh and Western Reserve University at Cleveland. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in December, 1917. From January 1, 1917, until May, 1918, he was an employe of Mahoning County. At the latter date he was called for duty with the navy at the Naval Station at Detroit, and remained there until released from active service in December, 1918. He received his final discharge in December, 1921. After the armistice, Mr. Miller engaged in law practice at Youngstown, and during the next five years built up a promising business as an attorney. On January 1, 1924, he became second assistant law director of the city, and now gives his full time to his official duties.

He married, June 9, 1917, Miss Margaret Jeannette Smith, a native of Youngstown and daughter of Ett and Jennie E. (Crowe) Smith, her father a native of Youngstown and her mother of Northfield, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have two children: Ralph R. and Jane Ett. They are members of the South United Presbyterian Church at Youngstown. Mr. Miller is a republican, and a member of the Knights of Pythias.

HERBERT D. HANNUM is the present sheriff of Ashtabula County, with offices in the Courthouse at Jefferson. He was formerly deputy sheriff, and has been well known in business and civic affairs in his part of the state for a number of years.

He was born at Huntsburg in Geauga County, Ohio, December 9, 1886, and is of English ancestry. His paternal ancestors settled in New York on coming from England. His grandfather, Lucas Hannum, was born near Oswego, New York, and spent the greater part of his life near Huntsburg, Ohio, where he was a farmer. George R. Hannum, father of the Ashtabula sheriff, was born at Huntsburg, January 3, 1856. His present address is 2052 Hanover Drive, Cleveland. He was reared and married at Huntsburg, became a carpenter, and since 1910 has lived at Cleveland, where he is chief carpenter in the experimental department of the Nealy Lamp Works. While in Huntsburg he served as township clerk and as clerk of the school board for fifteen years. He is a republican, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. George R. Hannum married Alice Strong, who was born at Cleveland, September 10, 1859, and died in that city November 7, 1917. She was the mother of two children, Fannie Eleanor and Herbert D. Fannie Eleanor is the wife of Fred D. Barnes, superintendent of a department for the Metal Products Company, and their home is at the same address as her father.

Herbert D. Hannum acquired his early education in the public schools of Huntsburg, attending high school into the senior year. In the course of his later experience he took a course in architectural drafting with the International Correspondence School of Scranton, and also a finger print course for identification at the University of Applied Science at Chicago. When he left public school at the age of eighteen he went to work as conductor on a street car line in Cleveland. A year later he moved to Pittsburgh and for five months had charge of the ice cream and candy department in Kauffman Brothers Store. Since then his home has been in Ashtabula County. For ten years he conducted a general store at Windsor Corners, and at the same time he engaged in private detective work. From 1918 to 1922 he was chief deputy sheriff of Ashtabula County and also county detective, and in November, 1922, was elected sheriff, beginning his two-year term on January 1, 1923. He has performed his duties with full efficiency, and is one of the most popular officials in the courthouse at Jefferson.

Mr. Hannum is a republican, is a member of the Huntsburg Congregational Church, the Jefferson Chamber of Commerce and is affiliated with Windsor Lodge No. 329, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Windsor Corners; Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Lodge No. 547, Loyal Order of Moose, at Ashtabula. He owns a comfortable residence on West Walnut Street in Jefferson.

Sheriff Hannum married at Windsor Corners, August 12, 1908, Miss Cora B. Pinks, daughter of William R. and Addie (Lampson) Pinks, residents of Windsor Corners, where her father is a well-to-do farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Hannum have three children, Doris Genevieve, born May 16, 1912; Betty Marguerite, born March 17, 1920; and Herbert D., Jr., born October 12, 1923.

JOHN B. C. ECKSTORM, M. D. As a physician and surgeon Doctor Eckstorm has been a successful representative of his profession in Columbus for nearly twenty years. He has an honorable record with the Medical Corps of the Ohio National Guard, and was overseas with the Thirty-seventh Division. In addition to these activities Doctor Eckstorm is one of the most useful men in Columbus. He is doubtless most widely known, considering his reputation not only in Ohio, but in other Western states, for his service as a football coach and the acknowledged father of modern football at Ohio State University.

Doctor Eckstorm was born at Medelia, Minnesota, but was reared in Chicago. He attended public schools in that city, including the Lake View High School. He earned his first prominence in athletics as a baseball player while in high school at Chicago. From Chicago he entered Dartmouth College, a school that has always enjoyed a high athletic standing in New England. He played halfback on the Dartmouth football team during the four years he was there, and was captain of the team in 1897, when Dartmouth won the championship among the three well known colleges in that section of the country—Dartmouth, Williams and Amherst. He was graduated from Dartmouth in 1898. The following season he came to Ohio and was coach of the football team of Kenyon College, which that year overwhelmed the Ohio State team. In 1899 Doctor Eckstorm was called to Columbus as the first paid coach of the university team. He remained three years, when the university won the Ohio championship in 1899 and in 1900, and in 1900 played Yost's famous

Michigan team to a scoreless tie, an achievement that perhaps did as much as anything else to focus attention on Ohio State as one of the stronger teams of the Middle West. During 1902 Doctor Eckstorm coached the Ohio Medical University team. He was graduated from the Medical School of Ohio State University in 1903. When the great stadium was dedicated at Columbus in the fall of 1922, Doctor Eckstorm was one of the most prominent figures mentioned in connection with the development of athletics at the university during the years leading up to the stage of power represented in the construction of the stadium. He was not only the first to develop winning teams for the university, but he laid the basis for clean sportsmanship and set the high standards that have been maintained at the university ever since.

After graduating in Medicine Doctor Eckstorm practiced two years at Gambier, the seat of Kenyon College, and since then has carried on a successful general practice as a physician and surgeon in Columbus. He is a member of the County, State and American Medical associations and the Franklin County Pension Board.

His military record covers a period of fifteen years. He commanded, with the rank of captain, the Second Ambulance Company of the old Ohio National Guard, and later became major surgeon of the Seventh Ohio Infantry Regiment. When America entered the World war he was commissioned surgeon, with the rank of major, of the One Hundred and Twelfth Ammunition Train, Sixty-second Field Artillery, Thirty-seventh Division. With this division he went overseas in June, 1918, and was on duty at the front during the Meuse-Argonne campaign. After returning home he received his discharge in April, 1919. He is still connected with the National Guard, as major surgeon of the One Hundred and Sixty-sixth Ohio Infantry.

Doctor Eckstorm is a member of the college fraternity Psi Upsilon and Theta Nu Epsilon, also the Casque and Gauntlet fraternity, and belongs to the A. M. P. O. medical fraternity. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Eastern Star. Doctor Eckstorm, whose address is 1584 Summit Street in Columbus, married Miss Grace G. Youse. Their four children are: Carl H., Martha C., Mary G. and Pauline E.

Doctor Eckstorm is still strong in the belief that clean athletic sports constitute an important factor in shaping the character of boys and young men, a belief which has been often confirmed by observation and personal experience in the practice of his profession as a physician. Not only is this applicable in a physical way, but in a moral and mental way as well, and looking back upon his years of activity in athletics Doctor Eckstorm enjoys the satisfaction of knowing that scattered throughout the country are many successful men who were trained under his coaching, and who learned from him the lesson of fair play, the value of loyalty to an ideal, and a spirit of resolute determination to succeed, principles which they have carried with them in surmounting the obstacles which confronted them after they had left the university halls.

James Mitchell Modarelli, is a Youngstown attorney with offices in the Dollar Bank Building. He has lived all his life since infancy in this part of Ohio, and in thirteen years has achieved a creditable position at bar and as a business man and citizen.

He was born in Southern Italy, May 8, 1889, son of Joseph and Louise Modarelli. His father had already come to the United States and located at Girard, Ohio, where he found employment with A. M. Byers Company. In January, 1890, the mother and her son also came to this country. James M. Modarelli was educated in grammar and high school, and took his law course in the University of Michigan, where he was graduated in June, 1911. Admitted to the bar, he began practice at Youngstown on July 13, 1911, and has had a general practice, much of it in commercial law. He is a director of the Union Savings Bank, a director of the Youngstown Grocery Company and of the Auto Ignition Company.

Mr. Modarelli married, October 3, 1912, Miss Mary Bellitto. She was born at Niles, Ohio, a daughter of Gaetano and Dominica Bellitto, natives of Italy. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Modarelli are: J. M., Jr., born in 1916, and Lucille Marie, born February 25, 1918. Mr. and Mrs. Modarelli are communicants of the Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church. He is a democrat, but has preferred to be a successful lawyer rather than a politician. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and Lodge No. 55, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Vincent Anthony Buonpane. One of the most prominent young men of Youngstown, a leader in republican circles, especially among those of Italian birth and ancestry, Vincent Anthony Buonpane is one of the brilliant attorneys of this section, and has a wide acquaintance all over Mahoning County. He was born at Chewton, Pennsylvania, August 8, 1900, a son of Elpidio Anthony and Mary Jane (Arrozzuta) Buonpane, natives of Italy. The father came to the United States in 1891 and settled at Curwensville, Pennsylvania, where he was joined by his wife four years afterwards. Subsequently he moved to New Castle, Pennsylvania, and from there in 1904 came to Youngstown, and has since then as proprietor been in engaged in publishing the Italian-American Citizen, a weekly newspaper, and he is also manager of The Buonpane Printing Company.

From the time he was twelve years of age Vincent Anthony Buonpane was taught to make himself useful in his father's office, in which he served in different capacities from that of printer's devil up to that of advertising manager, in which latter position he had the opportunity to come into contact with the leading men of the county. This acquaintance has been further extended through his political activities, and in 1922 he conducted the campaign of State Senator Arthur H. Day, when he was candidate for the republican nomination for governor.

While serving as his father's advertising manager Mr. Buonpane attended school, and was graduated from Rayen High School in 1918. A very ambitious youth, he pursued the study of law at night under the preceptorship of his brother, Blase A. Buonpane, of Cleveland, Ohio. His legal studies were completed in the law department of the Youngstown Institute of Technology, and he also took private courses with Judge Frank R. Gusweiler, of Cincinnati, Ohio, prior to taking the state examination at Columbus, Ohio, and December 29, 1921, he was admitted to the bar of Ohio. Immediately thereafter he began the practice of his profession at Cleveland, in partnership with his brother, under the firm name of Buonpane & Buonpane, but five months later he came to Youngstown to start a branch office under the same name, and he now maintains offices at 512 Wick Building. The firm have a large share of civil and criminal practice among the Italian-Americans of Cleveland, Youngstown and surrounding territory, and both young men are recognized as very able.

On November 29, 1923, Mr. Buonpane was married to Josephine Santangelo, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Santangelo, natives of Italy. Mr. and Mrs. Buonpane belong to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church of Youngstown.

WALTER E. STANKIEWICZ. A rising young attorney and man of public affairs, Walter E. Stankiewicz, of Youngstown, is one of those of foreign birth but of American training who have so truly absorbed the best spirit of the city and the times. While he has been a resident of Youngstown only since 1922, he has already established a gratifying and important practice, and has a leading place among the Polish element of the city.

Mr. Stankiewicz was born June 21, 1894, in Vilna, Poland, a son of Michael and Helen (Kasperowicz) Stankiewicz, who came to the United States in 1904 and settled at Binghamton, New York, where in the following year Michael Stankiewicz met an accidental death. His widow continued to live at Binghamton until 1916, when she changed her residence to Schenectady, New York.

Walter E. Stankiewicz received his early education in the grade and high schools of Binghamton, and later took a course at Valparaiso (Indiana) University, following his graduation from which he went to Chicago, and there, October 17, 1917, joined the United States Army for service during the World war. He took an extra course in military tactics which was a preliminary course for non-commissioned officers, and in September, 1918, was sent to the training camp at Camp Taylor, Kentucky. He was not called into active service, as the armistice was signed the following November, at which time he received his honorable discharge. At that time he resumed his studies at the Albany (New York) Law School, from which he was graduated in 1920. Next he studied and practiced at Cleveland, Ohio, where he also added to his income by looking up titles for real estate and doing other work for the Guarantee Title and Trust Company, remaining in the Forest City until January, 1922, when he changed his scene of activities and place of residence to Youngstown. He maintains well-appointed offices at 312 Wick Building, and is in the enjoyment of a steadily-growing general practice which carries him into all the courts. Mr. Stankiewicz is thoroughly grounded on all points and principles of legal procedure, and has the reputation of being a stable and reliable attorney and a wise counsellor.

Mr. Stankiewicz is unmarried. As to politics he maintains an independent stand and has been so busy establishing himself and looking after his practice that he has had little time to engage in political activities. He belongs to Youngstown Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Polish National Alliance and the Polish Sokols, of which latter he is president.

MARTIN DUNN. The handling of real estate and the development of properties to meet the ever-growing demand for proper housing facilities is a business that exacts efficiency and good management from those engaged in it, and these men may take credit to themselves that they not only are acquiring a well-earned competency, but also are rendering a public service of permanent value. One of the men above described is Martin Dunn, of 1536 Florencedale Avenue, Youngstown, realtor, and assistant manager for the Rayen Company, with offices at 1102 Mahoning Bank Building, Youngstown.

Martin Dunn was born in County Waterford, Ireland, January 20, 1862, a son of James and Mary (Powers) Dunn, who came from Ireland to the United States in 1865 and settled in New Jersey. While living in Ireland the father was a copper miner, but after coming to this country was a coal miner. Following his work, he moved to Mercer County, Pennsylvania, and lived in the vicinity of Wheatland until 1871, when, once more a change was made, and Vienna, Trumbull County, Ohio, became the family home. This was exchanged in 1889 for Youngstown, and in this city his death occurred February 4, 1917. The mother survived until May 28, 1924, and passed away at her home in Youngstown.

His early educational advantages limited, when he was ten years old Martin Dunn began to work in the coal mines, and continued this line of employment until 1888, when he engaged with the iron mills as a puddler, and for fifteen years he remained in the iron industry. In June, 1903, being then appointed on the tax review board of Youngstown, he began giving his attention to his duties, and remained on that board until 1915, and then was tranferred to the county tax commission, his period of service on both bodies amounting to something like a dozen years. In 1916 he entered the realty field, and has continued in it ever since with gratifying results. Mr. Dunn is now accepted as one of the reliable and expert real-estate men of the city and county.

In 1883 he was first married, but his wife died in 1888, leaving a daughter, May, who resides with her father. In 1892 Mr. Dunn married Anna Savage, of Scotland, a daughter of John Savage, and they have the following children: Anna, who is employed by the Rayen Company, lives at home; James L., who resides at Youngstown; and William J. and Raymond, who are both at home. The third child, Marguerite, died in August, 1921. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn belong to Saint Edward's Catholic Church, Youngstown. In Political faith he is a democrat, and he is active in local affairs.

COL. EDWARD STRODE THACHER, JR. An old and prominent name in Ohio is Thacher, dating back to early Ohio history, but dating much farther back in American history. It has been notable in both professional and military life, and a military man of the present day who worthily bears it is Col. Edward Strode Thacher, Jr., of Columbus, colonel of the Ohio National Guard Artillery, who served overseas with marked distinction during the World war. Colonel Thacher was born at Columbus, Ohio, in 1887, a son of Edward Strode and Margaret (McGinnis) Thacher.

The Thacher and Strode families belonged originally to England, and early family records disclose that one of the eminent jurists who imposed the death sentence on King Charles the First was Sir Edward Strode, of this family connection. Apparently the first to bear the Thacher name in American history was Rev. Anthony Thacher, a clergyman of the Episcopal Church, who came from Great Britain to New England in 1635, spent his life there and left descendants, many of whom became distinguished in the colonial troubles, the Revolutionary war, the War of 1812, and in the Mexican and Civil wars, without present mention being made of the World war.

In 1830, the great-grandfather of Colonel Thacher, Dr. N. W. Thacher, moved from New London, Connecticut, to Ohio and established himself in the practice of medicine in the capital city, Chillicothe. He married Nancy Bedinger Van Swearingen, a daughter of Col. James Van Swearingen, a United States military officer who drew the plans for and built Fort Dearborn, now Chicago, long a landmark of Western civilization on the shores of Lake Michigan. The maternal grandfather of Colonel Thacher was an infantry officer in the Union Army throughout the Civil war.

Colonel Thacher was seventeen years old when, after successfully passing the required educational, moral and physical tests, he received his appointment to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, spent two years of rigid military discipline there and then resigned in order to enter the United States Army. He did not enter the army at that

time, but later joined the Ohio National Guard, enlisting in this organization as a private in Cavalry Troop B, of which he subsequently became captain, through well merited promotion. He went to the Mexican border with this state body in 1916, when he was transferred to the Seventeenth Cavalry, United States Regular Army, and with this regiment served as second lieutenant of Troop H during the border service.

When the United States became involved in the World war Colonel Thacher assisted in organizing the Third Ohio Field Artillery, later designated as the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Field Artillery, with which he was prominently identified through a perilous period. He was commissioned major of this organization, and trained it at Camp Sheridan, Alabama, and prior to leaving his own country, attended and was graduated from the Officers Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. In May, 1918, Colonel Thacher went overseas as major of the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Field Artillery, which had been made a part of the Thirty-seventh Division, and took part in the great offensives of the summer and fall of 1918. Following the signing of the armistice with Germany he was transferred to the Nintieth Division, Three Hundred and Forty-fifth Field Artillery, and went with that command to the Rhine, as a part of the Army of Occupation. He acted also as assistant military commander of Trier, Germany. In the summer of 1919 Colonel Thacher returned home and was honorably discharged, soon thereafter being made lieutenant-colonel and, later, colonel in the Ohio National Guard Artillery, and has the same rank in the United States Army Officers Reserve Corps.

Since returning from France Colonel Thacher has been active in several engineering projects of importance, and at the present time fills a position as engineer for the Ohio State Auditor's Department. He has always maintained his home in his native city, and resides at 26 Auburn Avenue, Columbus.

Colonel Thacher married Virginia Dent Van Swearingen, of Circleville, Ohio.

Colonel and Mrs. Thacher have a family of three daughters and two sons: Virginia, Edward Strode, III, Ann, John and Margaret. The family belongs to the Episcopal Church.

Isaac McCallum Hogg. From the beginning of the history of this country the most able of its legislators and public men have been connected with the legal profession, and this rule is still in force today. The long and thorough training to which an attorney is subjected before he is admitted to practice his broad and varied experience, and the knowledge he gains of human nature make him particularly fitted for public service, and few, if any, of the members of this learned profession shirk their responsibilities. One of them, worthy of special mention in this connection, Isaac McCallum Hogg, is one of the able attorneys practicing at the bar of Youngstown, and a leader in the local republican ranks.

Isaac McCallum Hogg was born at Youngstown, Ohio, November 11, 1878, a son of Charles and Marion (McCallum) Hogg, natives of Scotland, who after their marriage left that country for the United States in 1864 and upon their arrival here, located at Youngstown. For some years he worked as a master mechanic with the Brown-Bonnell Works, now the Republic Iron and Steel Company. His death occurred when he was forty-five years old. The mother is also deceased.

After attending the local public schools, Mr. Hogg matriculated in Adelbert College of Western Reserve University of Cleveland, and was graduated from that university in 1903. For the succeeding two years he was engaged in newspaper and insurance work, and then, in 1905, he assumed the duties of deputy county auditor, to which office he was appointed. So efficient did he prove himself, in 1911 he was elected county auditor, and held that office until 1915, when he retired. In November of that same year he was admitted to the bar, and since that date he has been engaged in a general practice at Youngstown. In addition to his legal duties he has also been secretary and treasurer of the Mahoning Valley Mortgage Company.

In July, 1912, Mr. Hogg married Grace Edith Moherman, born at North Jackson, Mahoning County, a daughter of Robert A. and Catherine (Wanamaker) Moherman, natives of Mahoning County, to which locality the Mohermans came from Pennsylvania in 1804. Mr. and Mrs. Hogg have no children. They belong to the United Presbyterian Church. In addition to other activities Mr. Hogg has served as the county chairman of his party central committee, and he is very prominent in all campaigns. Fraternally he belongs to the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council of the Masonic Order, the Knights of Pythias, of which he is past chaplain, and the Order of Scottish Clans, of which he is past chief. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Chamber of Commerce, all of Youngstown. It would be difficult to find a man more thoroughly representative of his times and locality, or one who has the welfare of his home community nearer to his heart, and what he is accomplishing will live after him, for it is of permanent value.

Hermon Newton George, who has been an active member of the bar at Youngstown for the past seven years, began his career as an educator, and was in business and railroad service prior to engaging in the routine of law practice.

Mr. George was born in Columbiana County, Ohio, March 28, 1886, son of R. E. and Minnie J. (Rayl) George, his father a native of Columbiana County, while his mother was born at Rayltown, Pennsylvania. R. E. George spent his active career as a farmer until 1921, since which year he has lived retired in Youngstown.

Hermon Newton George attended public schools in Columbiana County, graduated in 1906 from the Slippery Rock State Normal School in Pennsylvania, and for one year taught in his native county. At New Castle, Pennsylvania, he became a clerical worker for the Standard Steel Car Company, and 1909 was made claim agent for the Mahoning and Shenango Railway & Light Company at Youngstown.

Later he took up the study of law and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1916, and since 1917 has engaged in a general practice. He married in 1910 Miss Edna C. Dean. She was born at New Castle, Pennsylvania, daughter of John and Jennie (Waldorf) Dean, natives of Pennsylvania, her father was born at Harlansburg and her mother in Mercer County. Mr. and Mrs. George have three children: Eleanor Jane, Robert Dean and Jean Louise.

Mr. George is a member of the United Presbyterian Church, is superintendent of the Sunday school, is a republican, and a thirty-second degree Mason.

James F. Lyden is a Youngstown attorney with offices in the Wick Building, and was admitted to the bar ten years ago. He was in the Government service before and after the World war.

Mr. Lyden was born at Youngstown, August 22, 1889. His parents are Thomas J. and Mary (Brannigan) Lyden, of Youngstown. They were married in that city, the father having come from Scotland and the mother from Ireland. James F. Lyden was educated in parochial schools, graduated from the law department of Baldwin Wallace University in June, 1914, and was admitted to the Ohio bar the same year.

Mr. Lyden practiced in Youngstown for some time, and in 1916 was appointed deputy collector of internal revenue at Youngstown. In September, 1917, he enlisted in the Eighty-second Division as a private, and subsequently was with the Eighty-seventh Division, and was discharged on account of disability February 20, 1918, at Camp Pike, Arkansas. On returning to Youngstown he was given special service for the Government, but on October 1, 1919, returned to Youngstown, and has since been engaged in the general practice of law.

He married, September 19, 1922, Miss Alma Ward, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of Thomas J. and Margaret (Enright) Ward. They are members of St. Edward's Catholic Church. Mr. Lyden was chairman of the City Democratic Committee of 1915. He is a member of the American Legion, Lodge No. 55 of the Elks, the Knights of Columbus, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

George Schuller is a Youngstown business man, and has built up an establishment for the general repair of wagons and automobiles. He has made a commendable success through his own efforts.

He was born in Austria, March 4, 1881. After attending the common schools he learned the trade of carriage and wagon making. In 1901, coming to Youngstown, he started work at his trade, followed it for seven years with others, and then established his shop for the repairing of carriages, wagons, automobile and truck bodies. He has kept adding to this industry, and now has twenty-six men in his employ.

He married in 1903 Katherine Depper, of Austria. Their children are Elizabeth, Mary, George, Alma, Minnie and Margaret. Mr. Schuller and his family are members of the Lutheran Church, and in politics is independent.

Myron E. Ullman. The law is known as a stern mistress, demanding of her devotees constant and unremitting attention and leading her followers through many mazes and intricacies before she grants them success at her hands. This incessant devotion frequently precludes the idea of the successful lawyer indulging in activities outside of the straight path of his profession, especially if his vocational duties are of a large and important nature. But there are men who find the time and inclination to devote to other interests, and who by the very reason of their ability in the law are peculiarly and particularly fitted to perform capable service therein. Of the members of the legal profession of Mahoning County, one who has shown himself capable of handling the interests of a large clientele and at the same time mingling in the busy life about him in other avenues of activity is Myron E. Ullman, of Youngstown, a member of the law firm of Kennedy, Manchester, Conroy & Ford, with offices in the Wick Building.

Mr. Ullman was born at Youngstown, December 12, 1889, and is a son of Edward D. and Fredericka (Seeger) Ullman, the former born in Germany and the latter at Springfield, Ohio. His maternal grandparents, John D. and Fredericka (Baum) Seeger, were born in Germany. Edward D. Ullman was a youth when he came to the United States, the family locating at Youngstown, where for many years he was advertising manager of the Youngstown Vindicator newspaper. His death occurred in 1902.

Myron E. Ullman attended the grade schools of Youngstown and the Rayen High School, following which he entered the University of Chicago, from which he was graduated in 1912 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, after an academic course. He then enrolled as a student of the law department of the same institution, and in 1914 received the degree of Jurum Doctor. Returning to his home, he was admitted to the bar of Ohio during the same year, and at once entered upon the practice of his profession, having since built up a large and lucrative professional business. He has been connected with much important litigation during the past few years, his success therein indicating his mastery of his calling and his ability in handling the cases of his clients. Mr. Ullman is a member of the First Reformed Church. He is chief deputy of the deputy state supervisors and inspectors of elections of Mahoning County, and his political allegiance is given unreservedly to the republican party. As a fraternalist he belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is a thirty-second degree Mason and Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and he also holds membership in the Optimist Club, of which he served as president in 1923-24.

In 1917 Mr. Ullman was united in marriage with Miss Helen Seifert, who was born at Youngstown, a daughter of Paul and Mary (Krichbaum) Seifert, and to this union there has been born one son, Myron Edward.

Harold McKinley Williams. The career of Harold McKinley Williams, of Youngstown, has been one of constant advancement, brought about by initiative, resource and hard work, these elements being directed by good management and the ability to take advantage of opportunities as they have made their appearance. Commencing with only ordinary advantages in the way of education and without the power of family influence, he has become commercial teller of the Dollar Savings Bank and senior member of the real estate and insurance firm of H. M. Williams & Company, and this within the comparatively short period of fifteen years.

Mr. Williams is a native son of Youngstown, where he was born in 1891, his parents being John W. and Wilhelmina (Penny) Williams, who now make their home at Poland, Ohio, Mrs. Williams' birthplace. The education of Harold McKinley Williams was acquired in the public schools of Youngstown, and after he had graduated from the high school, in 1909, he secured employment at steel mill work, one of the principal industries of his city. After two years he decided that he could better his condition in some other field of endeavor, and accordingly became a collector for the Dollar Savings Bank. From this humble position, by reason of his fidelity and integrity, he worked his way up through various positions to his present post, that of commercial teller, a responsible office. Some years ago Mr. Williams recognized the opportunities offered by real estate transactions, and began making tentative experiments along this line. His initial operations were naturally small, owing to his lack of capital, but as time went on he was able to command larger sums and thus to enlarge the scope of his activities. Finally, in March, 1923, he organized the real estate and insurance firm of H. M. Williams & Company, his partner in this enterprise being Harold E. Evans. The company maintains handsome offices at 313 Terminal Building, handling all kinds of city and suburban property and dealing in insurance. This has grown into a successful business, and the firm now has a long list of representative clients.

In 1912 Mr. Williams was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Baldwin, who was born at Youngstown, a daughter of Edward and Anna Baldwin, natives of England. Mrs. Williams died without issue in 1919. Mr. Williams is a member of the Belmont Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church. In his political allegiance he is a republican, although he takes only a passive part in political affairs. He is a Mason and a Knight of Pythias, and holds membership in the local Young Men's Christian Association.

George Sherman Williams. Several vocations, those of school teacher, merchant and realtor, have occupied the attention and activities of George Sherman Williams during his career, and at the present time he is part owner of a prosperous real estate and insurance business at Youngstown, which city has been his home since 1911. He has not confined his activities to his business affairs, but has found much to interest him in civic and religious matters, and has contributed to his adopted city's development and progress in several directions.

Mr. Williams was born at West Point, Ohio, April 23, 1872, and is a son of George and Elizabeth (Ketchum) Williams, natives of Columbiana County, Ohio. His grandfather on the paternal side, Joseph Williams, a native of Wales, was one of the early settlers of West Point, and his maternal grandfather, George Ketchum, came from the East. George Williams was a shoemaker by trade, and during the Civil war enlisted in an Ohio volunteer infantry regiment, with which he fought for four years. At the close of the struggle he returned to the West Point community and tried his hand at agricultural pursuits, but ailments contracted during the war kept him from making any great progress, and eventually resulted in his death when he was still in middle age.

George Sherman Williams attended school in the Mount Pleasant district of Elk Run Township and the Lisbon High School, and in 1894 and 1895 was a student at Mount Hope College, of which Prof. C. B. Galbreath was the dean. He then began teaching the school which he had attended, and for about five years followed the vocation of educator, but gave this up to enter the employ of Hill & Ramsey, proprietors of a grocery at Lisbon, with whom he remained for two and one-half years. This was followed by two years with the Grafton Supply Company at Leetonia, Ohio, and three years as manager for P. J. McCaskey, a merchant at Lisbon. Mr. Williams then bought a general store at the corner of Walnut and Beaver streets, Lisbon, remodeled it and conducted a successful business for ten years, when he sold the enterprise, although retaining the property. At that time he moved to Canton, where he was employed in the wholesale grocery of J. R. Thomas Sons of Youngstown, one year later, in 1911, coming to Youngstown as assistant sales manager of this concern. In 1920, with R. S. Thompson, he founded his present business, real estate and insurance, and they now maintain attractive offices at 220-221 Dollar Bank Building and control a large and profitable business in their line.

Mr. Williams is a republican in politics, belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Exchange Club and the Business Men's Club, and is a very active member of the local Young Men's Christian Association. He is a Methodist, and in August, 1921, feeling the need of a new church in their locality, Mr. Williams and his wife, with ten other men and women, organized and founded the Indianola Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1922 the erection of the structure was started, and thirty days thereafter, in December, 1922, the edifice was ready for occupancy and the holding of services began. The church now has a congregation of 115 members, while the Sunday School numbers 250, and the Rev. H. E. Buckey is pastor. Mr. Williams is president of the official board of trustees and teacher of the Men's Bible Class.

On June 15, 1897, Mr. Williams married Miss Anna Mary Hill, who was born in Center Township, Columbiana County, Ohio, a daughter of Jacob and Artemetia (Morely) Hill, natives of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. To this union there have been born three children: Ruth A., the wife of Glenn S. Thompson, of Cleveland, Ohio; and Walter Hill and Helen Elizabeth, who reside with their parents at Youngstown.

Tod Brenner is automobile appraiser of Youngstown, to which position he was appointed January 1, 1924, and during the time he has been in office he has fully justified the confidence placed in him.

He was born in Youngstown, June 10, 1884, a son of John and Catherine (Welk) Brenner, natives of Baden, Germany, and New Middletown, Ohio. The youngest in a large family of children, Tod Brenner attended the grade and high schools until 1903, but in that year left school to begin work in the steel mill, in its electrical department, where he remained for five years.

Mr. Brenner began working on automobiles at Youngstown, and in 1911 went to Detroit, Michigan. From 1915 until his enlistment in the army in 1917 he was with the General Motors, but the entry of this country into the World war turned his attention from automobiles to airplanes, and he enlisted in the aviation branch of the service and became assistant senior inspector in the Signal Corps. His period of service was spent inspecting Liberty Aircraft engines. He was honorably discharged from the service January 28, 1919. Returning to Youngstown, he took a position with the Mahoning Buick Company, with whom he remained until his appointment to his present position. His long and intimate knowledge and experience of automobiles eminently fit him for the work he is now doing.

On October 1, 1908, Mr. Brenner married Naomi Davis, who was born at Youngstown, a daughter of William and Mary Davis. Mr. and Mrs. Brenner have one daughter, Joan Elaine, who was born February 25, 1923. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, attends the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in politics he is a republican, although he votes an independent ticket locally.

Frank J. Cook. Although he is now giving his time and attention to various business enterprises, Frank J. Cook, of Youngstown, has made a name for himself as a capable educator, and is recognized as a leader among his associates. He was born at Meadville, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, May 28, 1880, a son of Jason and Eliza (Wright) Cook, natives of Erie County, Pennsylvania. The father was a lumberman during his earlier life, but is now living at Albion, Pennsylvania, being now eighty years old. The mother died many years ago, when she was forty-five.

Ambitious from boyhood, Frank J. Cook studied hard in the local district schools, and as soon as he was old enough secured a teacher's certificate and began teaching school. Recognizing that he had need of further instruction, he studied at night, and during vacations took up work at the Ohio State Normal School at Edinburg, and also at Grove City College, Pennsylvania. In the meanwhile his added knowledge advanced him in the educational field, and he was made district superintendent of the schools of Washington County, Pennsylvania. Later for two years he was principal of the schools of Kane, Pennsylvania. In 1905 he returned to the Edinburg State Normal School and completed his work, being graduated with his class, covering forty weeks' work in seventeen weeks. At that time Prof. John F. Bigler, of Farrell, Pennsylvania, was principal of the school, and Mr. Cook has a testimonial from Professor Bigler to the effect that he was never tardy nor did he miss a single class during the time he was a student under his charge. For three terms thereafter Mr. Cook was connected with the faculty of his alma mater, and for one term held a similar position with

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the Southwest State Normal School, California, Pennsylvania.

In the meanwhile he began to turn his thoughts to business, and in 1911 embarked in a mercantile venture at Kane, Pennsylvania, which proved so profitable that he decided that in the marts of trade had he found his life work. In 1914 he sold his interests at Kane, and, going to Ashtabula, Ohio, he conducted a mercantile business for four years, when he sold it, and, coming to Youngstown, for a year was a stock salesman. Having looked the ground over, in 1919 he incorporated the Frank J. Cook Company, of which he is president and general manager, his wife secretary and treasurer, and Joseph N. Evans vice president. With these three, K. T. Sanders and Wilbur Scott are associated as directors. Mr. Cook is also president of the Modern Apartments Company, which he organized in 1919, associated with him Thomas Rowney as treasurer, John Zimmerman as vice president, and Mrs. Cook as secretary. Still another concern of which Mr. Cook is president is the Nu Era Company, which manufactures and sells a ready-prepared waffle flour. The other officers of this third company are: James Evans, vice president; K. T. Sanders, secretary, and Marion Foltz, treasurer.

On August 19, 1911, Mr. Cook married Miss Pearl E. Weis, born near Warren, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Joseph Weis. In religious faith Mr. Cook is a Baptist, while in politics he is a progressive republican. A Mason, he belongs to Connellville, Pennsylvania, Lodge No. 258, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. A man of unusual talents, and one who has carefully developed his mental faculties, Mr. Cook exerts a strong influence in his community, and his efforts are directed toward the enforcement of law and the maintenance of a high standard of morals.

Frank L. Oesch. The professional intimates of Frank L. Oesch of Youngstown unhesitatingly place him among the able general practitioners now at the bar of Mahoning County, as he is at home in every branch of his calling, and all the more credit should be accorded him because of the fact that he has earned his own way in life, rising from one level to another through his own, unaided efforts. Frank L. Oesch was born in Columbiana County, Ohio, February 16, 1870, a son of Ulrich and Elizabeth (Thoeni) Oesch, natives of Switzerland. In 1858 the father came to the United States, and, locating in Columbiana County, Ohio, engaged in farming. In 1861 he returned to Switzerland and brought back wih him his parents, Isaac and Catherine Oesch. The mother of Frank L. Oesch came to this country with her parents when she was a child, and they settled immediately in Columbiana County, where she grew to womanhood. Although he began his life in Columbiana County with nothing, when he died, in 1904, Ulrich Oesch was the owner of several valuable farms, all of his property having been accumulated through the hardest of work. He was the eldest of five brothers, and did much to assist his family. He and his wife, who died in 1888, had ten children, of whom six still survive.

Growing up in a household where hard work was expected, Frank L. Oesch early learned to make himself useful, but he was resolved upon securing an education. Following his attendance on the district schools he took a course at Mount Union College, and when only eighteen years old commenced teaching school. In 1893 he was graduated from college, and for two years taught in the public schools of Columbiana, Stark, Portage and Belmont counties. During the time he was engaged in teaching he was studying law, and did so to such good purpose that in 1897 he was able to pass the state examinations and was admitted to the bar. From then on he has been engaged in practice at Youngstown, and has here built up a very valuable connection.

In October, 1911, he was married to Elizabeth John, who was born at Youngstown, a daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth John, natives of Wales. Mr. and Mrs. Oesch became the parents of two children: Frank L., who died at the age of five years; and John Howard, who was born in June, 1918. A republican, Mr. Oesch served as city solicitor of Youngstown for two terms. At present he is president of the Mahoning County Library Association. Fraternally he maintains membership with the Masonic Order, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. He belongs to the First Reformed Church of Youngstown. An able man, Mr. Oesch may well be regarded as one of the best representatives of his calling in the county.

Michael Fialla came to Youngstown when a boy, has made a success through his own efforts, and for a number of years has been prominently identified with various financial and business organizations. He is one of the leading representatives of the people of Czecho-Slovakia in Youngstown.

He was born in Czecho-Slovakia October 15, 1882, the son of Michael and Teressa (Vlasko) Fialla. His parents came to the United States and settled in Youngstown, where his mother is still living. Michael Fialla attended school in the old country, and in 1891 joined his parents in Youngstown, where he continued his education in St. Joseph's School. In the meantime he was contributing to his own support by selling newspapers, both on the streets and on railroad trains as a representative of the Union News Company. Mr. Fialla has made use of his opportunities to acquire a very liberal education, and is a fluent linguist, having command of five languages, the German, Slavic, Polish, Croatian and English.

A number of years ago he engaged in the real estate and insurance business, and founded the Slovak Building and Loan Association, later the Youngstown Savings and Loan Company and also founded the Youngstown State Bank. On January 12, 1922, he founded the Ohio Savings and Loan Company, with offices at 112 East Boardman Street. He is secretary of the company and is manager of its real estate and insurance department, and is also manager of the National Foreign Exchange, handling money orders, steamship tickets and other commercial transactions between this and foreign countries. William H. Benson is president of the Ohio Savings and Loan Company, and the vice presidents are Fred Gursch and John Loew.

Mr. Fialla married in June, 1901, Miss Mary Gelvanish, a native of Canton, Ohio. The children of their marriage are: Amelia and Marie, graduates of Girard High School; Helen, attending high school; Edward, Junietta and Doloris. The family are members of the Catholic Church. Mr. Fialla is a republican, is affiliated with Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Aerie No. 4681, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the National Slovak Organization of the United States.

David S. White, dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine at the Ohio State University, is one of the distinguished authorities on veterinary medicine in the United States, and has been individually responsible in an important measure for the high standing now enjoyed by this school or department of the State University.

Doctor White, who served with the rank of colonel in the World war, was born on Staten Island, New York, in 1869, son of William Henry and Catharine A. (Elliott) White. His father was a native of

Louisiana, representing a family of planters and slave owners. An affliction of the eyes caused him to seek rest and improvement in travel, and during his journeys he met Dr. Samuel M. Elliott, a prominent physician and specialist in New York. Doctor Elliott practically effected a cure for him. In the meantime William H. White had met the Doctor's daughter, Miss Catharine A. Elliott and they were subsequently married and made their permanent home on Staten Island.

Dr. Samuel M. Elliott grandfather of Doctor White of Columbus, was not only a very able physician and surgeon, but prominent in the old time military organization of New York State. When the Civil war broke out he went into the Union army with the Seventy-ninth New York Regiment, known as the Cameron Highlanders, on account of most of its members being of Scotch origin and on their dress parades before the war wearing the Kiltie uniform. Doctor Elliott became colonel of this regiment, and served with it at the first battle of Bull Run and in other campaigns. He was a personal friend of Simon Cameron of Pennsylvania, the first secretary of war in President Lincoln's cabinet.

David S. White spent his early years in New York, and in 1884, at the age of fourteen, came to Ohio. His home has been at Columbus since 1886, the year he began his studies in the Ohio State University. After two years of the regular collegiate work he took the full course in the College of Veterinary Medicine in two years, and was graduated with the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree in 1890. Following that came three years of study in research and travel in Europe, most of the time as a student of veterinary science in Berlin, Vienna, Dresden and other cities. On his return to Ohio in 1893 Doctor White was made assistant in veterinary medicine in the college of veterinary medicine of the university. In 1896 he was promoted to full professor and made dean of the college. Under his direction this college has become a notable institution, abreast of the foremost American and European schools. It has trained hundreds of young men for the useful and efficient work as veterinarians, and under Doctor White it has also contributed new methods for its laboratory and experiment departments for combating diseases of live stock and other domestic animals.

When America entered the World war in the spring of 1917 Doctor White volunteered his services and was called to Washington by Surgeon-General Gorgas as one of the three veterinary medical advisors, the other two associated with him coming one from Cornell and the other from Pennsylvania University. These three were constituted a board for the purpose of organizing the veterinary service of the army. They organized the corps, consisting of approximately twenty-five hundred officers and twenty-thousand enlisted men. Doctor White was tendered and accepted a commission as major in the United States Army, and subsequently while in France was raised to the rank of colonel. It is noteworthy that he was the first man ever to achieve as high a rank as colonel in the veterinary service of the United States Army. In July, 1918, Colonel White was ordered overseas, and was put in command of the veterinary forces of the American Expeditionary Force in France, reporting to General Pershing. He was in the service in France until the close of the war, returning home in the early part of 1919 and being mustered out in February of that year.

Since the war Colonel White has been made an officer in the Officers Reserve corps of the United States Army, with the rank of colonel. He married Miss Nellie E. Smith, of Marietta, Ohio, who died April 15, 1924. He has a daughter, Lana, wife of Dr. Daniel G. Sanor, Jr., of Columbus.

Philip B. Ley has contributed one of the important industries to the City of Youngstown, being proprietor of a mirror and art glass manufacturing establishment. He is an expert in the glass industry, having spent most of the years since he left school in that line of work.

He was born at Akron, Ohio, October 31, 1883, son of Joseph and Minnie (Huber) Ley, his father a native of Ohio, while his mother was born in Alsace-Lorraine, coming to this country when a girl. Joseph Ley was a steel mill worker, and died in 1903. His widow is now a resident of Los Angeles, California.

Philip B. Ley was educated in public schools, and during his working experience attended night school and business college. In 1907 he went to Buffalo, New York, taking charge of the plate glass department of the Standard Mirror Company, and he also traveled for this concern until 1913. He then became a salesman for the Toledo Plate and Window Glass Company at Cleveland, and four years later entered the service of the Dwelle-Kaiser Company of Buffalo. After six months he returned to Cleveland, and six months later, in 1917, came to Youngstown, where in 1918 he organized the Youngstown Mirror and Art Glass Company, Incorporated, of which he is president and treasurer and his wife is secretary. This company manufactures leaded glass, mirrors and art glass, and also does a general jobbing business in all kinds of builders' glass. The headquarters of the business are at 655 Market Street.

Mr. Ley married in 1906 Miss Mary E. Adams, who is of New England ancestry and a daughter of John Quincy and Emma (Taylor) Adams, of Copley, Ohio. They have one child, Philip A. Ley. Mr. and Mrs. Ley are members of Westminster Presbyterian Church. He is non-partisan in politics and fraternally is affiliated with Western Star Lodge, No. 121, Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Chapter, Council, Grotto, Commandery and Shrine. He is a member, also, of Lodge No. 403, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the United Commercial Travelers.

Ora B. Andrews is well known as a photographic artist in Youngstown, a specialist in portrait photography, and has a studio at 303 West Federal Street that has been patronized by people of exclusive taste, not only in Youngstown, but over a wide section of adjoining country.

She was born at Girard, Pennsylvania, daughter of R. and Helen (Roberts) Jones, her father a native of Girard and her mother of Burlington, Vermont. Her father for many years was a cabinet maker, but he and his wife now live in Youngstown, their daughter making her home with them.

Ora B. Andrews attended public schools in Pennsylvania, graduating from the Girard High School. She studied photography in Sharon, Pennsylvania, also at Erie, Pennsylvania, and Philadelphia, and located at Youngstown in 1910. She was employed by other photographers for several years, but in 1914 engaged in business for herself and for seven years her studio was in the Home Savings and Loan Block. Since 1921 she has occupied beautifuly equipped rooms at 303 West Federal Street. She specializes in photography for women and children. She is a Presbyterian, a republican, and a member of the Quota Club for Women.

John H. Rees came to America when a youth of sixteen and has devoted a large part of his life to the iron and steel industries, in which he was an expert workman in some of the most highly skilled branches, but for the past dozen years has given his time and service to one of the important public institutions of Youngstown.

Chas. H. Higgins

He was born at Neath Abbey, South Wales, July 8, 1866, son of John and Elizabeth (James) Rees, who spent all their lives in Wales. John H. Rees was educated in public schools, and on coming to the United States, at the age of sixteen, first located at Youngstown, where he spent five years working in the Valley Steel Mills. His next experience was at Toledo, where he worked in the shearing department of the steel mills. Before coming to this country he had learned the plasterer's trade, and after eight years in the mills he found work as a machinist in a general bicycle shop. Two and a half years later he moved to Muncie, Indiana, going to work in the steel mills, being assistant superintendent a year and a half, though his first employment was as a bundler, from that being promoted to foreman, then assistant shipper and then assistant superintendent. From there he went back to Toledo, as a shearer and in 1899 returned to Youngstown, being a machinist for George B. Sennett until 1903, when he was made machinist in the Youngstown Foundry and Machine Company, spending four years there, and for one year was machinist for the William B. Pollock Company. While in these positions he was twice elected president of the Machinists' Union. He finally gave up his trade to work at his original vocation, and spent four years as a plastering contractor.

On April 12, 1912, when the Detention Home of Youngstown was established, Mr. Rees was elected as its superintendent and Mrs. Rees as its matron, and they have given an uninterrupted service in those capacities ever since, proving their efficiency and ability as managers as well as their kindliness and humanity in looking after those under their charge.

Mr. Rees married, May 6, 1890, Miss Hannah Jones, who was born at Brookfield, Trumbull County, Ohio, daughter of Morgan W. and Ann (Elias) Jones. Her parents were natives of Wales, but came to Youngstown in 1862, and spent the rest of their lives in that section of Ohio. Her father was a coal miner. Mr. and Mrs. Rees have two daughters. Eleanor May is the wife of E. J. Thomas, of Struthers, Ohio, their two children being Edwin J. and Paul Rees. The second daughter, Florence Elizabeth, is Mrs. William H. Franklin, of Cleveland, and is the mother of two children, John Howard and Mary Louise. Mr. Rees is a trustee of the Plymouth Congregational Church. In politics he is a republican, and is active fraternally and in Welsh societies, being president of the Youngstown Eisteddfod and of St. David's Society. He is a Royal Arch and Council degree Mason and a member of Youngstown Lodge, No. 203, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife is a member of the Eastern Star and is a trustee of the Woman's Welsh Club.

William Henry Jackson as a youth, during summer vacations, accepted some employment with the Bell Telephone Company, and this was the beginning of a permanent connection and a career that has made him one of the expert men in the telephone industry in the United States. For several years he has been the district engineer of the Bell Telephone interests at Youngstown.

Mr. Jackson was born at Victoria, British Columbia, December 23, 1884, son of Robert Thomas and Jennie Jackson. His parents were born in England, were married in the United States, lived in Canada for some time, and his father was a representative of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company. He died in 1899, and his widow now lives at Austin, Texas.

William Henry Jackson was an infant when his parents located in Austin, Texas, where he attended the grammar and high schools. He was a boy when his inclination and necessity combined to make him self-supporting, and during summer vacations he worked for the Western Union Telegraph Company for two summers, and in 1899 began his first summer exprience with the Bell Telephone Company. His employment was confined to the vacation periods of the years until 1902, since which year his service has been continued. In 1916 he was transferred to Columbus, Ohio, as plant engineer, and in December, 1919, was moved to Youngstown, where he has served as district plant engineer. His service in Texas was given entirely in the cities of Dallas and Houston.

Mr. Jackson married, October 1, 1920, Miss Irene C. Goetz, who was born at Altoona, Pennsylvania, daughter of Alfred and Carrie Goetz. They have one daughter, Barbara Jean, born August 13, 1921. Mrs. Jackson is a Presbyterian. He votes as an independent republican, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, affiliated with the Consistory at Columbus.

Charles Henry Higgins, M. D. A physician and surgeon whose professional work has all been done in Muskingum County except for the period he was a medical officer in the army during the World war, Dr. Charles Henry Higgins represents a pioneer family in Southeastern Ohio, and his individual career has been one of distinctive honor and achievement.

He was born on a farm in Athens County, Ohio, October 3, 1863. His grandparents were Michael and Mary (McClintic) Higgins. Andrew Higgins, the father of Michael, came from Pennsylvania to Ohio more than a hundred years ago. Michael Higgins was well known in the early days in Southeastern Ohio as a trapper and hunter. Joseph Seaman Higgins, father of Doctor Higgins, was born in Athens County, in 1828, and died in 1900. He had a farm, raising fine cattle, hogs and sheep, was a progressive man of his community, served six years as county commissioner, and a number of years as president of the County Agricultural Society; during the Civil war was in the state militia, and was always a republican in politics. He married Hanna Wood Hibbard, who was born in Athens County, in 1827, and died in 1903. The Hibbard family is one of the oldest in America, founded by Robert Hibbard, who came from Sheffield, England, to Salem, Massachusetts, in 1632. Ithamar Hibbard, a great-grandfather of Doctor Higgins, was an American soldier at the battle of Bennington during the Revolution and subsequently served as a member of the Vermont Legislature. John Milton Hibbard, maternal grandfather of Doctor Higgins, lived in Dover Township of Athens County, was a farmer and stock raiser, and widely known as an earnest churchman and prohibitionist. He died at the venerable age of ninety-three years.

Charles Henry Higgins was seventh in a family of ten children. His early years were spent in rural communities of Athens County. Much of his education after the local schools was acquired through his own earnings and efforts. He taught a number of years of country school. In 1887 he graduated Bachelor of Arts from Ohio University at Athens, and by continued work at intervals was granted the Master of Arts degree in 1890. He was a member of the local chapter of the Beta Theta Pi of the Ohio University. With this literary education he removed to Louisville, Kentucky, and became a linotype operator in the plant of the Courier-Journal. At the same time he attended the medical department of the University of Louisville, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1896. For one year Doctor Higgins was resident house physician at the Louisville City Hospital, and in 1897 began his career as a physician and surgeon in Muskingum County. He practiced for a time at Zanesville, and from 1899 to 1905 his home was at Sonora. He then returned to Zanesville, where for nearly twenty years he has been one of the leaders in

the practice of medicine and surgery. In 1912 he was elected county coroner. He has served as secretary and president of the Muskingum County Academy of Medicine and as secretary of the Eighth District of the Ohio State Medical Society. Interested in politics, he has been secretary of the Republican County Central Committee. He is a member of the Zanesville Kiwanis Club and is affiliated with Malta Lodge No. 118, Free and Accepted Masons, at Norwich, Ohio; Zanesville Chapter No. 9, Royal Arch Masons; Zanesville Council No. 12, Royal and Select Masters; Cyrene Commandery No. 10, Knights Templar, and Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite.

In June, 1917, Doctor Higgins was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army. In September of that year he was called to active duty at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, and in June, 1918, was promoted to captain. At Camp Taylor he was an officer of the Medical Unit of the One Hundred Fifty-ninth Depot Brigade until December, 1918. He has a reserve commission of captain in the Medical Officers Reserve Corps. He is a member of the American Legion. For a number of years he has been interested in the psychological side of his profession, and has prepared a number of papers for medical journals. He served as a neuropsychiatric specialist for his district in the United States War Veterans Bureau.

On November 2, 1892, at Athens, Ohio, Doctor Higgins married Miss Louise Brashears. She was born in the City of Columbus, but was reared in Athens. Her father, the late Thomas Brashears, was at one time editor of the Athens Messenger, and was well known in Ohio newspaper circles. Doctor and Mrs. Higgins have one daughter, Rachael, who in 1917 graduated from Ohio University at Athens. She has taught English in the high schools of Marietta and Zanesville, and in 1923 entered Columbia University for post-graduate work, receiving a Master degree in June, 1924.

Henry Morris Caldwell. As one of the sound business men of Youngstown Henry Morris Caldwell has won an enviable place in his home community through his own efforts, and today the house he founded receives a fair share of patronage not only from the people of Youngstown, but of a wide adjacent territory. Mr. Caldwell was born at Youngstown, September 2, 1888, a son of Henry and Anna (Morris) Caldwell, both born near Belfast, Ireland. The paternal grandparents, William and Jane Caldwell, came to the United States at an early day and settled in the vicinity of Youngstown, where they acquired a valuable farming property. Henry Caldwell was for many years a paving contractor of Youngstown, and one of the city's public-spirited men. It was he who erected the Soldiers' Monument in the public square of Youngstown, and he did many other things to improve the city and county. His death occurred in 1914, and his wife died three years after his demise.

Until he was nineteen years old Henry Morris Caldwell was a public school student, but at that age began working in the Youngstown steel mills, where he remained for two years. His next employment was with the General Fireproofing Company, but he left that concern to go with the Youngstown Steel Car Manufacturing Company, and for the subsequent five years was in its concrete roof division. In 1916 he went into business for himself as an architectural engineering supply agent, and has built up a wide connection, and he also handles office supplies. His place of business is at 11 West Commerce Street. His business career was interrupted by the war, in which he saw service from his entry, in May, 1917, in the First Officers Training Camp, Fort Benjamin Harrison, until his honorable discharge at Iona Island, New York, February 22, 1919. As a member of the Marine Corps he served on a battleship in Cuba and in various parts of the United States.

Mr. Caldwell belongs to First Church of Christian Science, and has served it as treasurer and president. The Youngstown Auto Club holds his membership.

Alfred Holz. Each line of business has its own problems which must be solved in order to insure success. With these are allied the usual demands of trade and necessity for good judgment and business methods, and when these requirements can be met success is practically certain to follow. Having been able to do this, and to turn out excellent work, the Youngstown Coach Works, established at 201 East Boardman Street, has made a success of auto painting, and is one of the leaders in this line at Youngstown.

Alfred Holz was born at Wurttemberg, Germany, April 9, 1895, and his parents were natives of the same country, and there both died. Until he was seventeen years old Alfred Holz attended the schools of his native land, but at that age began learning the trade of a painter, and worked at it in Germany until 1912, when he came to the United States, and after his arrival here was at Chester, Pennsylvania, for a year. There he continued to work at his trade, and he also found employment at it in Buffalo, New York, Cleveland, Ohio, and Detroit, Michigan, during a period covering about seven years. In the fall of 1920 he came to Youngstown, and for two months worked at general painting. He then commenced painting automobiles at 819 Fourth Street, and three months later moved his business into the Henderson Overland Automobile Building, where he is doing general automobile painting and conducting a paint shop, the latter being connected with the Cadillac Motor Car Company's place on West Boardman Street. He employs eight mechanics, and is very particular with reference to the quality of the work he turns out, so that he has established a reputation for it.

In February, 1917, Mr. Holz married Miss Louise Arants, of Austria, and they have one daughter, Clara, born in June, 1918. Mr. Holz belongs to the Lutheran Reformed Church. He is a republican. Fraternally he belongs to the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and he is also a member of the United States Insurance Company.

Thomas H. Bell, organizer and president of the Commercial Bank of Middletown, has done much to advance banking interests and facilities in Butler County, and is a loyal and progressive citizen whose influence is ever to be counted on in connection with measures and enterprises projected for the general good of the community.

Mr. Bell was born in Marion County, Illinois, September 30, 1874, and he was a lad of seven years at the time of the family removal to Mason County, Kentucky, where he was reared to adult age and where his educational advantages were those of the public schools. Mr. Bell remained in that county, associated with various industrial and business interests, until 1907, when he came to Butler County, Ohio, and established his residence at Trenton, in which attractive village he still maintains his home. There he organized the Bank of Trenton, and of the same he served as cashier until 1923. In 1909 he organized the Farmers National Bank at Seven Mile, this county, of which his brother, James E., became the cashier, and at Somerville, this county, he organized the Somerville National Bank, of which his brother, William B., is the cashier.

The unequivocal success that had attended his former banking enterprises in Butler County led Mr. Bell to extend still further his interests in financial operations in the county. In the autumn of 1922

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he organized the Commercial Bank of Middletown, which is incorporated with a capital stock of $50,000 and which initiated active business May 12, 1923. The bank, of which he is the president, maintains a surplus fund of $10,000. Dr. Charles G. Barton is its first vice president, John E. Fay is second vice president, and E. T. McCue is cashier. Mr. Bell is a director and the secretary of the Trenton Building & Loan Association, and he has been since 1912 an official of Group 1 of the Ohio Bankers Association. He is actively identified with the Middletown Civic Association, and is a member of its general committee, his attitude at all times being that of a liberal and public-spirited citizen. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and he and his wife hold membership in the United Presbyterian Church.

The year 1908 recorded the marriage of Mr. Bell and Miss Mary Cook Dimmitt, of Germantown, Kentucky, she being a graduate of the high school at that place and also of Verona College, one of the excellent educational institutions of Kentucky. Mr. and Mrs. Bell have four children, whose names and respective ages (1923) are here indicated: Louise M., fourteen; William H., twelve; Margaret E., nine; and Thomas H., Jr., seven. The elder daughter is a member of the class of 1926 in the Trenton High School, has marked talent in both vocal and instrumental music, and will be afforded advantages for the full development of this artistic talent. On Miami Street at Trenton Mr. Bell erected, for the family home, one of the finest residences in Butler County, a brick and stucco house of eleven rooms and of modern architecture and appointments.

Rolland W. Solomon, A. B., Ph. B., who has been superintendent of the public schools of the City of Middletown, Butler County, since 1917, has given an administration marked not only by progressive policies and fine standards of academic and practical scholarship, but also by great improvements in the physical facilities of the schools under his direct and resourceful supervision. It may be noted that when he assumed his present administrative office the schools of Middletown had, in 1917, an enrollment of 3,523 pupils, and that in 1923 the enrollment aggregated 5,210. In 1917 the corps of teachers numbered 110, and at the time of this writing, in the autumn of 1923, 170 splendidly qualified teachers are retained. Within the regime of Superintendent Solomon have been erected the buildings of the new Lincoln and Garfield schools; a twelve-room addition has been made to the Jefferson School; the building of the Booker T. Washington School, for colored pupils, has likewise been completed and equipped, its rooms being six in number; but the crowning achievement marking the liberality of the city in providing for educational facilities has been the recent completion of the admirable new high school building, erected at a cost of $750,000 and representing the most modern standard in school architecture and accommodations. The auditorium of the high school building has a seating capacity for 1,300 persons, and the fine gymnasium has a seating capacity of 1,200. By his achievement and unqualified enthusiasm and success in his chosen profession Superintendent Solomon has gained high place in educational circles in his native state. He is an active member of the Southwestern Ohio Teachers Association, the Ohio State Teachers Association, the National Educational Association, the Schoolmasters Club in the City of Cincinnati, and the Western Ohio Round Table Society. He is at the time of this writing chairman of the executive committee of the Southwestern Ohio Teachers Association, and a member of the Board of Control of the Ohio Teachers' Reading Circle. In the Masonic fraternity he has completed the circle of each the York and Scottish rites, in the latter of which he has received the thirty-second degree, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and he is affiliated also with the Knights of Pythias. He is an influential member of the Middletown Civic Association, and holds membership in the Middletown Community Golf Club and the Franklin Golf Club. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and he and his family hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rolland W. Solomon was born near Kansas, Seneca County, Ohio, on the 8th of November, 1873, and is a son of Isaac N. and Esther R. (Good) Solomon. There he received in the district schools the major part of his preliminary education. He thereafter took a high school course, and finally he entered Ohio Northern University, at Ada, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1899 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In 1914, upon the completion of a course in the great University of Chicago, he received from that institution the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. In the period of his attending both of these educational institutions he was rendering effective pedagogic and administrative service in the position of superintendent of the public schools of the City of Fostoria, Seneca County, and there he retained this office until 1917, the year that marked the initiation of his splendid administration as superintendent of the public schools of Middletown.

The year 1902 recorded the marriage of Mr. Solomon and Miss Ada Zeis, daughter of Jacob and Alice (Weikert) Zeis, of Tiffin, Seneca County. Mrs. Solomon profited by the advantages of the public schools of Tiffin, and thereafter continued her studies in Heidelberg College, that city, in the art department of which she was graduated as a member of the class of 1902. She has exceptional talent both as a musician and artist, and has done effective work as teacher in both of these lines. Mrs. Solomon is a member of the Current Events Club of Middletown and of the Ohio Federation of Woman's Clubs. Mr. and Mrs. Solomon have one child, Geraldine, who was graduated from the Middletown High School and who is a member of the class of 1925 in Oberlin College.

Jefferson C. Crossland, M. D. One of the older men in accomplishment and service as a physician and surgeon of Zanesville, Doctor Crossland was for fifteen years a member of the State Board of Health, and has accepted and performed all the duties of life without reserve. He was born on a farm near Dresden, in Muskingum Township, Muskingum County, September 6, 1859. His father, George Crossland, was a native of England, and when he was two years of age the family came to America and settled in Muskingum County. He was educated in the public schools there, became a farmer, and was always active in the Methodist Church of his locality. He died when only forty-two years of age, in 1861. George Crossland married Elvira Mutzler, a native of Muskingum County, who lived to the age of eighty-five.

The youngest of five children, Dr. Jefferson C. Crossland was two years old when his father died, and his education was secured through his mother's teaching. His boyhood days were spent on the farm, and as a means to his higher education he taught school for a number of terms. In the intervals he attended the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and between teaching and attending school he spent seven years. In 1884 Ohio Wesleyan gave him the Bachelor of Arts degree. During 1885 he taught a school in Missouri, and then returned to Ohio and began the study of medicine under Dr. Alfred Ball at Zanesville. He subsequently entered the University of Cincinnati, medical department, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1887, and in the same year Ohio Wesleyan

conferred upon him the Master of Arts degree. Doctor Crossland began his service as a physician at Zanesville in 1887, and he has given thirty-five years of his life to his profession. His service as a member of the State Board of Health began in 1896, and continued until 1911. He served by appointment from Governors Bushnell, Nash, Herrick and Harmon. Twice he was elected president of the board. He has been president of the local medical society and is a member of the Muskingum County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State and American Medical associations.

During the World war Doctor Crossland was a member of the medical section of the National Council of Defense. For four years he was on the board of education at Zanesville. His hobby, recreation and diversion is republican politics, and while never a candidate for an elective office, he has satisfied his public spirit by exercising an unpretentious influence in party affairs and good government. Fraternally he is a member of Lafayette Lodge, Free and Accepted Mason, Zanesville Chapter and Council, and Cyrene Commandery of the Knights Templar.

At Zanesville, October 10, 1893, Doctor Crossland married Miss Elizabeth Harris. Her father was David Harris, a native of Muskingum County, and for some years principal of the Zanesville public school. Doctor and Mrs. Crossland have two sons. Clarence J., the older, while a student in the Ohio State University, was one of the first to volunteer for the Officers' Training Camp and he helped establish an enlistment office at Zanesville, an office in which 120 young men of Southeastern Ohio filed their applications for the first training camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison. He was commissioned, was assigned to duty with the First Infantry at Camp Sherman, went overseas with the Eighty-third Division, and was transferred to the First Division as supply officer under Col. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. He was in the Meuse-Argonne and the other campaigns of the First Division, and went with that division into Germany after the armistice. After more than a year overseas he returned to the United States, resuming his studies in Ohio State University, and holds two degrees, Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws, from the university. He is now engaged in law practice in Zanesville, and is quite active in republican politics. He is a member of the American Legion, the Central Presbyterian Church and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. The younger son of Doctor Crossland is David Harris, a graduate in the department of commerce and journalism of Ohio State University. Both sons had special training in the University of Wisconsin.

Mabel E. Gardner, M. D., who is established in the successful practice of her profession in the City of Middletown, Butler County, has the thorough technical fortification and the gracious personality that make for prestige in the exacting vocation to which she is giving herself with fine professional stewardship.

Doctor Gardner was born at Middletown, Ohio, on the 3d of July, 1883, and is a daughter of William I. and Elizabeth (Hickman) Gardner, who maintained their home in this city until their deaths, the father having devoted many years to effective service as a teacher in the public schools of the Buckeye State. In the schools of her native city Doctor Gardner continued her studies until her graduation from the high school as a member of the class of 1902. Her higher education along academic lines was acquired in Otterbein College, from which she received in 1908 the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In consonance with her ambition and well formulated plans she then entered the Ohio-Miami Medical College, in which she completed the prescribed curriculum and was graduated as a member of the class of 1914. After thus receiving her degree of Doctor of Medicine she further reinforced herself by a year of service in the Mary Thompson Hospital (for women) in the City of Chicago, where she held the position of interne. In the autumn of the same year, 1915, she opened her office at Middletown, and here her success in her profession has been on a parity with her earnest application, her abiding human sympathy transcending mere emotion to become a motivating power for helpfulness. In her representative practice Doctor Gardner specializes in gynecology and obstetrics, and in this connection she took a special course of post-graduate work in the celebrated clinic of Dr. Bertha Van-Hoosen, in the City of Chicago. The Doctor continues a close student of medical and surgical science, and has made valuable contributions to the Woman's Medical Journal. She is identified with and regularly attends the sessions of the Butler County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. She is a member of the staff of Middletown Hospital, is an appreciative and popular member of the Doctors' Club of Middletown, is a trustee and actively concerned in the work of the Girls' Club in her home city, where also she has active membership in the Civic Association.

Henderson Estes, who is one of the representative younger members of the bar of Butler County, has been established in the practice of his profession in the City of Middletown since the year 1916, and his well appointed law offices are at 415 Castell Building.

Mr. Estes is a scion of old and distinguished Southern families and claims North Carolina as the place of his nativity. He was born at Henderson, that state, November 3, 1892, and is a son of William T. and Lucy (Henderson) Estes. William T. Estes was born and reared in North Carolina, where his father had gained rank as one of the distinguished physicians and surgeons in that state. His paternal grandfather, Capt. Triplet Estes, was a gallant officer in the War of 1812. Mrs. Lucy (Henderson) Estes is a cousin of Hon. John S. Henderson, who for more than twenty years represented North Carolina in the United States Congress. She is a niece of the late Hon. A. M. Scales, who served as governor of North Carolina, and is a great-great-granddaughter of Nathaniel Macon, who was one of the most influential men of his day in North Carolina. On the paternal side Mrs. Estes is a great-granddaughter of the distinguished Judge Leonard Henderson, who served many years as chief justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina.

Henderson Estes was a boy at the time of his parent's removal to Middletown, Ohio, and here his educational advantages included those of the high school. Thereafter he was a student in turn at historic old Randolph-Macon College, at Bedford, Virginia, and the fine old Episcopalian School of the West, Kenyon College, at Gambier, Ohio. In preparation for the profession of his choice he entered another of the historic institutions of the Old Dominion State, Washington and Lee University, in the law department of which celebrated Virginia institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1916, his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws having been virtually coincident with his admission to the Virginia bar and the same year having recorded his admission also to the Ohio bar. His professional novitiate was served at Middletown, Ohio, and his sterling character and able professional stewardship have gained to him a substantial and representative law business. Mr. Estes is a member of the Butler County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party, and in 1917 he served as justice of the peace at Middletown, until he entered the national military service in connection with the World war, as

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will be noted in a later paragraph of this review. Mr. Estes is affiliated with the Delta Tau Delta college fraternity, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Knights of Pythias, and the Loyal Order of Moose, in which last named organization he holds, in 1923, the office of dictator.

In 1917, soon after the nation became formally involved in the World war, Mr. Estes enlisted for service in the United States Army, and was assigned to Camp Sherman, Ohio. On the 1st of June, 1918, he there received commission as second lieutenant, and in the following October he went with his command to the stage of active conflict in France. There he took part in the great Argonne offensive, and in this and other service he proved himself a loyal, resourceful and gallant soldier and officer. He remained overseas some time after the armistice brought the war to a close, and after his return to the United States he received his honorable discharge at Camp Sherman, Ohio, June 19, 1919. His abiding interest in his former comrades is indicated by his affiliation with the American Legion.

October 6, 1920, recorded the marriage of Mr. Estes and Miss Gwendoline Johnston, of Bedford, Virginia, in which state she was born and reared, her higher educational discipline having there been received in Hollins College, at Roanoke. Mr. and Mrs. Estes are most popular figures in the representative social activities of their home city, and their circle of friends is limited only by that of their acquaintances. They have a fine little son, Johnston.

CLINT G. CRIST is one of the progressive and successful representatives of real-estate enterprise in Butler County, where he is secretary, treasurer and manager of the Crist Realty Company, besides conducting also an independent real-estate and insurance business. The well appointed offices of the Crist Realty Company are on the fourth floor of the First and Merchants National Bank Building in the City of Middletown.

Mr. Crist was born in Warren County, Ohio, September 15, 1878, and is a son of Joshua and Elizabeth (White) Crist, sterling citizens of that county. Mr. Crist continued his residence in his native county until August, 1901. In 1904 he established his residence at Middletown and engaged in the general real-estate and insurance business, in which he has since continued successfully in an individual way, aside from his activities with the Crist Realty Company. Mr. Crist has shown marked discrimination, enterprise and constructive ability in his varied and important real-estate operations, and incidentally has made valuable contribution to the growth and the civic and material advancement of Middletown. He has been identified with the platting and exploiting of some of the finest additions to the City of Middletown, including the Valley View and the Idlewild additions. He had the distinction of being chosen the first president of the Middletown Realty Association, and was a member of the original or first directorate of the Middletown Chamber of Commerce. He is a director of the Commercial Bank of Middletown and of the local Young Men's Christian Association.

In June, 1915, Mr. Crist effected the organization of the Crist Realty Company, which was incorporated with a capital stock of $10,000, the other officers of this vital corporation being G. W. A. Wilmer, who is president, and B. F. Harwitz, who is vice president. This company, which has a splendid working organization and ample capitalistic resources, has opened and successfully developed the following Middletown subdivisions: Auburndale, twenty acres; Avalon, 100 acres; Green Acres, thirty acres; and South Main Court. The company specializes in the erection of high-grade houses to be sold on the easy-payment plan. The gross assets of the company now aggregate $162,000. One of the attractive residence properties on Yankee Road at Middletown is that owned by Mr. Crist, and this beautiful place, at 300 Yankee Road, constitutes the family home. The political convictions of Mr. Crist place him staunchly in the ranks of the democratic party, and he and his wife are communicants of the Lutheran Church in their home city. Mr. Crist was but thirteen months old at the time of his father's death, and early became largely dependent upon his own resources. He has won advancement and substantial success through his own ability and well ordered activities, and has at all times commanded the confidence and high regard of his fellow men in all walks of life.

Mrs. Crist, whose maiden name was Christine Lang, was born and reared in Butler County, and is a daughter of John and Sabina (Banzhaf) Lang. She received the advantages of the public schools and thereafter attended and was graduated from Glendale College, near the City of Cincinnati. Mr. and Mrs. Crist have an interesting family of four children: Dorothy E. is a member of the class of 1924 in Western College, Oxford, Ohio; Wilbur Edward is a member of the class of 1926 in Capital University, Columbus, Ohio; and Stanley A. and Eleanore are (1923) attending the public schools of Middletown.

ALVA LINCOLN REA. In the course of many years of work as a traveling salesman Alva Lincoln Rea established a home at Zanesville, and after leaving the road engaged in business there. He founded and has been the man primarily responsible for the success of the Eclipse Laundry Company. He has also been interested in banking, and was the first president of the Zanesville Rotary Club.

Mr. Rea was born at DeGraff, in Logan County, Ohio, July 19, 1867, son of William and Margaret (Moore) Rea. His parents were natives of Logan County. His mother died at the age of sixty-six. William Rea, who was born in 1845, and died in 1903, was a soldier throughout the four year period of the Civil war, in the Forty-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was wounded in battle. After the war he devoted his time to farming and stock raising near DeGraff, and took an active part in local affairs as a township officer. He was a republican, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

One of the first of his parents' six children, Alva Lincoln Rea spent his boyhood on the farm in Logan County, attended the public schools, and the first occupation that exercised a strong fascination over him was traveling salesmanship. Leaving the farm at the age of nineteen, he went to Dayton, and became a stock room and office employe of a wholesale paper concern. Subsequently he went on the road, and for sixteen years sold goods over Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia, with headquarters at Zanesville.

Mr. Rea engaged in the laundry business on a small scale in 1907. In 1911 he removed the Eclipse Laundry Company to its present location. Then came the great flood of 1913, practically destroying the plant and reducing him to the lowest level of financial capital. He started all over again, but in ten years' time built up the Eclipse Laundry to be the largest and best equipped for general laundry, cleaning and dyeing purposes in Southeastern Ohio. The business has grown so rapidly that frequent additional units to the buildings have been erected.

In 1920 Mr. Rea gave up his personal management of the laundry business, and having helped organize he became secretary and general manager of the Federal Radiator Company, manufacturers of boilers

and radiators. He sold his interest in February, 1923, and since then has resumed his personal direction of the laundry business, of which he is treasurer and general manager. Mr. Rea is also chairman of the executive board and a director of the First Trust and Savings Bank, being one of its organizers and first directors. He was one of the organizers and the first president, during 1915-16, of the Zanesville Rotary Club. His helpful spirit has been manifested in many ways, but especially in behalf of crippled children, a work sponsored by the Rotary Club. He is a former director of the Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, is a republican in politics, a member of the State and National Laundry Men's Associations, and belongs to the Zane Club and the Zanesville Golf Club, golf being his favorite diversion. Fraternally he is a member of Amity Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Zanesville Chapter, Royal Arch Mason, Zanesville Council, Royal and Select Masters, Cyrene Commandery of the Knights Templar, Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Rea has two sons, one by each of his marriages. His first wife, Effie Cory, was the mother of Stanley C. Rea, now assistant manager and secretary of the Eclipse Laundry Company. His son was regimental supply sergeant in the One Hundred Thirty-sixth Field Artillery Regiment during the World war. He married Miss Florence Ansel. Mr. Rea's second son is William Weaver, and his mother was Beulah Weaver, of Zanesville, daughter of the late Floyd Weaver, a traveling salesman. Mrs. Rea takes an active part in church, club and social life at Zanesville.

Clarence A. Lynch, osteopathic physician at Middletown, is a thoroughly qualified and capable representative of his profession, and has been engaged in practice for the past six years.

He was born at Clarksburg, West Virginia, April 4, 1886, son of P. I. and Virginia A. (Elliott) Lynch, of Clarksburg. Growing up there, as a boy he attended the Clarksburg High School, and finished his literary education in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. Subsequently, after experience in other lines, Doctor Lynch entered the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Missouri, and was graduated in 1917. On January 2, 1918, he was licensed to practice in Ohio. During a portion of the World war he was a munition worker in one of the plants in the Middle West. For three years Doctor Lynch practiced at Miamisburg, Ohio, and since then has been located at Middletown. He owns a beautiful home at 112 South Main Street, and has his offices in his residence. Doctor Lynch is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the Ohio State Osteopathic Society and the Middletown Osteopathic Society.

Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Middletown Civic Association. He married Miss Elizabeth England on March 14, 1917, at Jewett, Ohio. Her father, Dr. W. L. England, is a prominent physician of that Ohio town. Mrs. Lynch finished her education also in Ohio Wesleyan University.

Paul K. Jones, D. O. To his work as an osteopathic physician and surgeon at Middletown Doctor Jones brought not only the training exemplified in his diploma of graduation, but an extended and unusual experience as a bacteriologist in army hospitals and camps both in this country and in France during the World war.

Doctor Jones was born at St. Louis, Missouri, September 10, 1894, son of Dr. W. A. Jones, who for many years has practiced medicine as a member of the regular school at St. Louis. Paul K. Jones was reared in the City of Columbia, Missouri, where he attended high school and the University of Missouri. Later he entered the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Missouri, and left there during the World war to join the Army Medical Corps. He was bacteriologist in a base hospital in the Verdun sector in France. The five hospitals in this sector in seven months' time took care of more than 100,000 patients. For two months Doctor Jones was also stationed at Dijon, France, in the Central Medical Departmental Laboratory, where he was doing special work on typhoid fever.

Returning to the United States June 30, 1919, he did special post-graduate work in the Chicago Osteopathic College and also attended Cook County clinics in Chicago. On January 1, 1920, he located for practice at Middletown. Doctor Jones is a member of the American Legion, is president of the Dayton District Osteopathic Society and a member of the Middletown and Ohio State societies of that profession and the American Osteopathic Association. He is a Royal Arch and Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Civic Association, the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Theta Psi college fraternity and the Middletown Golf Club and the Franklin Golf Club. Doctor Jones married Miss Louise Wolverton, of Middletown, Ohio, daughter of George and Phena (Potter) Wolverton. She was educated in the Middletown High School. They have one son, William K., born in 1923.

William H. Henry, M. D. A native of Ohio, now in practice as a physician and surgeon at Middletown, Doctor Henry gave five years of his professional service to the army, part of the time being in the Army Medical Corps on duty during the World war, and subsequently held the rank of major in the Regular Army, medical department. His foreign service took him around the world.

Doctor Henry was born at Athens, Ohio, October 25, 1872, son of Charles and Katie (Lindley) Henry. He was reared at Athens, where he finished his high school course, and then entered Ohio University at Athens, Ohio. In 1896 he graduated from Starling Medical College, now the Ohio State University. Subsequently he did special work in the Chicago Polyclinic on eye, ear, nose and throat. Doctor Henry for ten years was engaged in a general private practice.

In April, 1917, the same month that America declared war on the Central Powers, he was inducted in the service in the Army Medical Corps, with the rank of first lieutenant. It was his lot to be selected as one of the medical officers to accompany the memorable allied expedition to Archangel, Russia, and in that northern outpost, under the arctic circle, he remained on duty for one year, having charge of the Base Hospital. In the meantime, in April, 1918, he was promoted to the rank of captain and in December, 1918, promoted to major in the Medical Corps. After leaving Archangel he was transferred to Brest, France, and then returned to the United States. For six months he was on duty at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and in 1920 was transferred to the Philippine Islands, where he remained a year. While in the Philippines he was admitted to the Regular Army, medical department, with the rank of major. After his return to the United States he was on duty at McCook Field at Dayton, Ohio, and his last two years in the service were spent there.

Doctor Henry was discharged December 30, 1922, but still holds the rank of major in the Officers Medical Reserve Corps. When he left the army he spent six months in post-graduate work in Chicago and in

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Tulane University at New Orleans, and this experience and training he brought to the service of his practice at Middletown. He now specializes in eye, ear, throat and nose work.

Doctor Henry is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and also a member of the Royal Arch Chapter and Council degrees and the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, and belongs to the Shriners Club, the Middletown Golf Club, and the Butler County and Ohio State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association.

On May 12, 1923, he married Miss Marion Bishop, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, daughter of Henry J. Bishop, of that city. Mrs. Henry was educated in the Cedar Rapids High School and also attended high school in Chicago.

JOHN CARL STRATTON, M. D. In the community of Middletown, Doctor Stratton has performed all the work expected of a competent physician and surgeon for over fifteen years. He has been thoroughly devoted to the ideals of his profession, and has interested himself as well in the civic and social organizations of his home city.

Doctor Stratton was born at Atwater, in Portage County, Ohio, October 17, 1879, member of a pioneer family of that section of the Western Reserve, his ancestors having come from Connecticut. His parents were Jared and Lydia B. (McLeish) Stratton, his mother still living there. His father, now deceased, was a prosperous farmer in Portage County.

Doctor Stratton grew up on a farm, attended public schools, finished his high school work at Ravenna, and holds the Bachelor of Science degree from the College at Berea, Kentucky, graduating with the class of 1904. For one year he also taught school at Atwater. Doctor Stratton belongs to the Homeopathic School of Medicine, and he was graduated from the Cleveland Homeopathic College, and is also an alumnus of the Ohio State University Medical School. He was licensed to practice medicine by the Ohio Board on the seventh day of July, 1908. For six months he was an interne in the Huron Road Hospital at Cleveland, and in April, 1909, engaged in practice at Middletown. He is a member of the Butler County Medical Society, the Ohio State Homeopathic Society and the American Institute of Homeopathy. He is now serving as a member of the Board of Health of Middletown.

Doctor Stratton during the World war volunteered for duty in the Medical Corps, but was assigned to assist the Draft Board and otherwise exerted himself in behalf of the Liberty Loan campaigns. He is a member of the Ramblers Club of Middletown, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner.

On March 25, 1910, he married Miss Anne Crosby, of Elgin, Illinois, who also finished her literary education in the college at Berea, Kentucky. She is a daughter of Frank and M. A. (Starkweather) Crosby. She attended public schools in Elgin and high school in Chicago. Mrs. Stratton is also a member of the Ramblers Club of Middletown, and both are active in the Middletown Civic Association and the First Presbyterian Church. Doctor Stratton was a deacon of the church for more than ten years. They have two children, Jean, born in 1912, and John Carl, Jr., born in 1917, both attending the public schools of Middletown.

WILLIAM T. SHIPE, M. D. A physician and surgeon for thirty years, Doctor Shipe has long been favorably known in his profession and as a citizen of Middletown, Butler County. For a number of years he has specialized in electro-therapy, and is one of the most competent X-ray specialists in Southern Ohio.

He was born March 23, 1867, son of Andrew Jackson and Jennie (Bromley) Shipe. Doctor Shipe spent two years in the Shenandoah Normal College in Virginia, also two years at Dickinson College at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and in 1894 graduated Doctor of Medicine from the University of Maryland. He has been a post-graduate student of the ear, nose and throat at the New York Post Graduate School, also at Tulane University at New Orleans, and early became interested in the new developments afforded by the improvement of the X-ray and other electrical equipment. Doctor Shipe does a large amount of X-ray work for his fellow physicians and surgeons in Butler County.

During the World war he was a captain in the Army Medical Corps, stationed at Camp Stuart, Virginia. He is a member of the Butler County and Ohio State and American Medical Associations, the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States and the American Legion, and belongs to the Doctors Club of Middletown and to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the staff of one of the hospitals in Middletown.

In 1894 Doctor Shipe married Miss Ella Pine, of Darkesville, West Virginia, daughter of Anthony and Josephine (Lamar) Pine. She received her high school eduction at Martinsburg, West Virginia, and for five years before her marriage was a teacher. Mrs. Shipe is a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and she and Doctor Shipe are active in the First Presbyterian Church of Middletown. Doctor Shipe is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association.

WILLIAM AARON MELICK, M. D. Graduated from medical college forty years ago, Doctor Melick has long ago reached an enviable station among Ohio surgeons, and his attainments have brought him many well deserved honors. His home and the scene of his practice throughout the greater part of his professional career has been at Zanesville.

Doctor Melick was born on a farm in Perry County, Ohio, January 2, 1859. The Melicks were pioneers of Perry County. His grandfather, William Melick, went there from Pennsylvania and secured and improved a tract of Government land. Robert Melick, father of Doctor Melick, was born at the old homestead in Perry County, in 1812, and spent his long and useful life as a farmer and stockraiser. He died in 1891. He was a republican after the formation of that party, and a member of the Methodist Church. His wife Margaret Clark, was born in Somerset, Pennsylvania, and her parents took her to Perry County when she was a child.

The youngest of six children, William Aaron Melick as a boy on the farm yearned for a career in medicine, and though with limited advantages, his determination and personal efforts gave him a sound literary education as well as an adequate training in the fundamentals of his profession. He attended the public schools, the Madison Academy and paid the expenses of his higher education by teaching. For one year he was a student in the National Normal University at Lebanon, spent two years in the Columbus Medical College, and during vacations studied medicine with one of Zanesville's finest physicians, the late Dr. A. E. Ball. In 1882 he entered Bellevue Hospital Medical College, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1884. From his graduation until 1889 Doctor Melick practiced at Roseville, and then, following a course in special surgery at the New York Post-Graduate Hospital, he returned to Zanesville in 1890, and from that year his abilities have been steadily growing in favor and recognition for his surgical

work. He never gets far away from his favorite profession, and his recreation is found in observing other great men in his profession in clinics in this country and abroad. He was on the surgical staff of the old Zanesville City Hospital, and when it was reorganized as the Bethesda Hospital he became its first chief-of-staff. He is a member of the surgical staff of the Good Samaritan Hospital, and is lecturer to the Nurses Training School on surgical subjects. He has prepared many papers on surgery for medical journals. Doctor Melick is a former president of the Muskingum Academy of Medicine, has served as president of the Eighth District of the Ohio Medical Association, is a member of the Ohio State Medical Society and represented the State Society in 1923 at the meeting of the American Medical Association in San Francisco. He belongs to the Academy of Medicine at Berlin, Germany, and in 1913 spent several months at Vienna, in the Vienna Hospital. Doctor Melick is a trustee of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, and in Masonry is affiliated with Amity Lodge, the Royal Arch Chapter, the Council, the Knights Templar Commandery and the Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite. He is also a member of the Masonic Club and the Exchange Club.

In 1884 he married Miss Allie I. Johnson, of Zanesville, daughter of the late Jacob Johnson, a substantial farmer of Muskingum County. Mrs. Melick has taken many responsibilities in church, Sunday school, the day nursery and other charitable organizations. Doctor and Mrs. Melick have two daughters and four grandchildren. Their daughter Eva married R. P. Boggis, of Cleveland, and has three children, William M., Jean and Elizabeth. Margaret Melick married R. G. Geary, of Zanesville, and has a son, Herbert.

Frank H. Byrd, twenty years on the police force of Middletown and now chief of the police department, Frank H. Byrd has been an honored resident of that industrial city of Southern Ohio for over thirty years.

Mr. Byrd was born near Newport, Kentucky, October 28, 1868, son of Arthur and Isabelle Byrd. He was educated in the common schools of Kentucky, and during 1889-90 attended the National Normal University of Lebanon, Ohio. Coming to Middletown in 1891, Mr. Byrd was first employed by the P. J. Sorg Tobacco Company, and subsequently was with the Middletown Machine Company until 1904.

At that date he joined the Middletown Police Department as a patrolman, was advanced to detective in 1909, and in 1920 became chief of the force. He is an able police officer and thoroughly competent as an executive, and has given the police organization an efficiency that has made it noted among the smaller cities of Ohio.

Mr. Byrd is a veteran of the Spanish-American war. He went out in 1898 as a corporal with Company L of the First Ohio Volunteers, under Capt. William Sullivan, going into the service in April and remaining until the end of the war. He returned as a quartermaster sergeant. He was one of the organizers of the United Spanish-American War Veterans, and in June, 1924, was elected senior vice commander, Department of Ohio. He has been affiliated with the Modern Woodmen of America since 1895, has been a Knights of Pythias since 1906, and is a democrat in politics.

In 1894 he married Miss Laura Kees, daughter of Taylor and Martha (Irvin) Kees, of Middletown. Mrs. Byrd was educated in Cincinnati, and is a member of the Lutheran Church. Their oldest child, Anna May, born in 1896, was educated in the Middletown High School; Marvin, born in 1900, was educated in the Middletown High School and is now with the American Railway Express Company at Detroit, Michigan; Thomas, born in 1904, is a graduate of the Middletown High School; Della, born in 1908, attends high school; Arthur, born in 1909, is in the seventh grade of the public schools, and Martha, born in 1912, is also in the seventh grade.

George D. Lummis, M. D. A physician and surgeon of Middletown for nearly forty years, Doctor Lummis has been distinguished for his leadership in public health work. Not only his private practice but the general public has been benefited by his consistent work to educate people in matters pertaining to individual and public health sanitation.

Doctor Lummis was born at Middletown, May 10, 1863. It is an interesting fact that he, his father and also his grandfather were all born at the same home in Lemon Township of Butler County, his grandfather in 1802 and his father in 1830. His great-grandfather was the founder of the family in Butler County. He was Joseph Lummis and was a native of Virginia, coming from there to Ohio in 1802. Doctor Lummis' parents were J. G. and Mary F. (Deardorff) Lummis. His father was born in 1830, and served four years as postmaster of Middletown, during the administration of President Cleveland.

Doctor Lummis attended the public schools of his native town, graduating from high school in 1881, and then entered Ohio Medical College, where he received his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1884. During 1884-85 he was house physician at the Good Samaritan Hospital at Cincinnati, and since then has been engaged in private practice at Middletown. He early interested himself in educating the community to a proper understanding of measures for safeguarding health. In 1890 he accepted the post of health commissioner of Middletown, and has filled that office continuously now for a third of a century. He is a Fellow of the American Public Health Association, and during the World war was medical member of the County Draft Board. Governor Cox appointed him a member of the Ohio State Council of Health in 1917, and subsequently he was reappointed by Governor Davis. Mr. Lummis is a member of the Butler County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and also the Union District (Ohio and Indiana) Medical Society. He is a trustee of the Middletown Public Library, is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in politics is a democrat.

March 21, 1899, Doctor Lummis married Miss Elizabeth S. Barkelew, of New Jersey, daughter of C. H. and Robina T. Barkelew. Doctor and Mrs. Lummis have one son, G. D., Jr., who was educated in the public schools of Middletown and the Ohio State University, and is now connected with the Betterment Department of the American Rolling Mills at Middletown.

Gustav W. A. Wilmer. A brilliant young attorney of Middletown and a civic leader, Gustav W. A. Wilmer has won a reputation in his profession that extends far beyond the boundaries of his home County of Butler.

He was born July 17, 1890, son of G. A. and Minnie Wilmer. His father has been long and favorably known in Middletown, where he is president of the Building and Loan Association.

Gustav W. A. Wilmer attended public schools in his native community, was also a student in Purdue University at LaFayette, Indiana, and in 1912 graduated from Ohio State University. He has had a successful law practice for the past ten years, and is well fortified with a comprehensive knowledge of the law and the ability of a fluent public speaker. For six months in 1919 he served as municipal judge in Mid-

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dletown, and on January 1, 1920, by appointment he began his duties as city attorney of Middletown. In this office he has become distinguished through the vigorous enforcement of the law, and his prosecution of liquor cases has proved not only his resourcefulness as an attorney, but his moral courage as a leader in the community.

Mr. Wilmer is a democrat in politics. He is a member of the college fraternities Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Phi, and in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks he has been district grand exalted ruler for Southwestern Ohio. He is a member of the Butler County and Ohio State Bar associations. Mr. Wilmer was secretary of the Business Men's Club until it was merged into the Chamber of Commerce, and he was one of the three citizens who organized the Chamber of Commerce. He is interested in the Middletown Civic Association, an organization that has taken over the charitable work formerly handled through the Chamber of Commerce. This association is now erecting a handsome building, at a cost of $350,000, to provide a home for the association and headquarters for its varied activities.

Judge Wilmer married, October 2, 1916, Miss Lorine Eikenberry, of Greenville, Ohio. She finished her education in Sweetbriar College in West Virginia. They have two children, Richard, born in 1917, and J. Arnold, born in 1920.

The Oglesby & Barnitz Company Bank, the oldest banking institution in Butler County, was established in Middletown in 1850, when that community had only 800 population.

The original founders of the bank, William B. Oglesby, a native of West Elkton, Preble County, Ohio, and George C. Barnitz, a native of Hanover, York County, Pennsylvania, were brothers-in-law and had been associated in the mercantile business for a number of years prior to that time. Their general store, located at the junction of Main Street and Central Avenue, on the same site now occupied by the bank, was long known as one of the pioneer business houses of Middletown.

As the population of the village increased and prosperity found its way into the community these two enterprising young merchants added a banking department for the convenience of their patrons, which continued until 1850, when the merchandising was dropped and their entire attention was given to the bank. The banking business was conducted as a private bank until 1889, when it was incorporated as a state bank, with George C. Barnitz as president, in which capacity he continued to serve until his death in 1895. He was succeeded by the vice president, Charles B. Oglesby, son of William B. Oglesby, one of the original partners. In 1918, at the death of Mr. Charles B. Oglesby, Mr. W. O. Barnitz, a son of George C. Barnitz, one of the original founders and the first president of the bank, succeeded to the presidency. Mr. W. D. Oglesby, now serving as vice president, is a grandson of William B. Oglesby, one of the founders of the bank.

Thus it will be observed that the control and management of this old established financial institution has remained in these two families for three-quarters of a century. Mr. C. Ed Sebald, who has been connected with the bank for thirty-five years, completes the list of officers, serving as cashier. With resources and credits unimpaired, the Oglesby & Barnitz Company Bank has stood through all the financial storms and periods of depression since its establishment in 1850.

The officers and directors of the bank are: William Oglesby Barnitz, president; William D. Oglesby, vice president; C. Ed Sebald, cashier; Joseph M. Iseminger, director, and David E. Harlan, director.

Charles Newell Harvey. Inheriting mechanical genius from his father, Charles Newell Harvey has derived his greatest satisfaction from work with machinery, and is credited with some successful inventions. He overcame many obstacles in younger years, pulling not only his own weight, but helping others as he went along. He has a large and prosperous business as the Ford agent at Zanesville.

He was born June 3, 1878, at Malta, in Morgan County, Ohio. His grandfather, Thomas Harvey, was a native of the North of Ireland, and, coming to the United States, followed the trade of wool carder and weaver. He was made a Mason in Ireland, and became a charter member of Valley Lodge No. 145, Free and Accepted Masons, at Malta. He was a Methodist.

The father of Charles N. Harvey was Thomas Potter Morgan Harvey, who was born at Malta, and died in 1916, at the age of sixty-eight. He learned the trade of weaver and wool carder, but turned to mechanical lines and as a machinist and mechanic he was employed by the Brown Manley Plow Company at Malta for over thirty-five years. Failing health finally compelled him to retire several years before death. He was a very young boy when the Civil war broke out, and he ran away from home three times to get into the army, once getting as far as Marietta, but was rejected on account of his youth. He was very much interested in the work of the Masonic order, was a democrat and a member of the Methodist Church. His wife was Lillian Davis, born in Morgan County, and still living. They had four children.

The oldest of the children, Charles Newell Harvey, as a boy showed a passionate fondness for mechanics, and he looked forward to satisfying this genius by becoming a railroad engineer. When he was thirteen years old he built a steam engine, and at the age of fourteen built a generator and operated a small electric light plant. While attending the schools of Malta he spent his vacations working on steam boats, and he frequently took his father's place in the plow factory when his father was absent on account of illness. After graduating from high school he became an engineer on the steamboat Zanetta running between Marietta and Zanesville. A few months later he was made fireman of the electric plant at McConnellsville, and after that he did duties as night hostler in the engine roundhouse of the Zanesville and Ohio River Railroad. For two and one-half years he was fireman on the railroad, and was well on his promotion to locomotive engineer when he realized that little commercial success could be achieved in that direction, and he accordingly resigned and went to work in the Zanesville Electric Light Plant, starting as third engineer, was promoted to second engineer and within six months was chief engineer of the plant. He performed these duties one year and then removed to Sugar Grove as engineer of the power plant of the Fuel Supply Company. When he returned to Zanesville he went into the electrical department of the Muskingum Valley Steel Company, now a plant of the American Rolling Mills Company. At the end of twelve months he was promoted to superintendent of motive power, and held this position with the industry for three years.

During all this time Mr. Harvey was not only supporting his own family but providing educational advantages for his three sisters. From 1905 to 1917 he was chief engineer of the City Water Works of Zanesville. It was in 1907 that he first engaged in the automobile business, beginning as mechanic in a garage. On September 30, 1909, having realized the possibilities of the Ford, he bought cars and engaged in business as the Ford representative at Zanesville. His first headquarters were very small, having only fifteen hundred feet of floor space. At the end of five years his business had so increased that in

May, 1915, he erected his present building, providing 19,000 square feet of floor space, including a fine show room, stock room, and machine shop. Mr. Harvey owns the building individually, and even with its generous proportions finds it crowded. He has a branch business at Dresden, and is also a wholesale dealer in gasoline.

Because of his efficiency and thoroughness while in the City Waterworks, Mr. Harvey gained a following of friends who were ready to provide him with financial assistance when he started in business for himself. However, even so, the amount he borrowed was only $200. With such a beginning he is now doing the business of almost a million dollars annually. Like Henry Ford, he has found his early day disadvantages have made him rather than hindered him.

Mr. Harvey is on the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is an independent voter, and is a member of the Zanesville Golf Club, the Zanesville Exchange Club, Valley Lodge No. 145, Free and Accepted Masons, at Malta, Zanesville Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, the Council, Cyrene Commandery, Knights Templar, Amrou Grotto, and also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His great delight is machinery. Of his various inventions two that have proved commercially successful are a locomotive attachment for Fordson tractors to be used in gravel pits, lumber camps, coal pits, and another is a portable water pump. His individual experience has given him remarkable opportunity for study of mechanics, but he has also studied through correspondence courses.

On July 11, 1906, at Zanesville, Mr. Harvey married Miss Cora L. Ludman, a native of Chandlersville, Ohio. Her father, John Wesley Ludman, was a general merchant in Chandlersville, and is now in business at Zanesville. Mrs. Harvey is active in club and the various societies of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church. She was president of the Alpha Woman's Motor Club, the first of its kind in Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey have one son, Newell Charles.

COLIN GARDNER. For more than half a century the name Colin Gardner has served to visualize some of the most important facts in the industrial welfare of the City of Middletown. The late Colin Gardner, Sr., was one of Ohio's conspicuous business men, one who combined great executive power with far-sighted vision and a sincere purpose to act in common cause with the fundamentals of the general welfare.

Like many other American captains of industry he rose from the ranks. He was born at Cincinnati, November 7, 1839, son of James Brewster and Elizabeth (Ludlow) Gardner, his father being a farmer near Troy. The son completed a high school education in Cincinnati, and for a time assisted his father on the farm. But his ambition was for the opportunities presented in a city and industrial community, and at the suggestion of his father he helped himself to make the stretch from the farm to the city, earning a modest capital of $13 by gleaning the wheat from his father's fields and with that sum he returned to Cincinnati. Beginning as an errand boy with the wholesale dry goods house of George W. Jones & Company, he accomplished the almost phenomenal progress of winning a membership in the firm within three years. During the Civil war he served a 100-day enlistment in the Union army.

He had before him the prospects of becoming a successful merchant in Cincinnati. His marriage opened up another prospect. Early in 1871, shortly after his marriage, he removed to Middletown and became associated with his father-in-law, Francis Jefferson Tytus, in the Tytus Paper Company.

Colin Gardner eventually became vice president of the company, and the partners started another paper mill, known as the Gardner Paper Mill Company, with Colin Gardner as president, and still later organized and established the Ohio Paper Bag Company, for the manufacture of paper bags, of which Mr. Gardner was also president. These three companies and plants were subsequently consolidated as the Tytus-Gardner Paper & Manufacturing Company, and Colin Gardner served as president of the corporation until 1900, when he resigned and sold his stock in the business, purchasing the site and what remained of the plant of the old Gardner Company, which had been destroyed by fire. Then, in the fall of 1900, he organized the Colin Gardner Company, and from that point the history of the modern phase of the business is continued in the article on the Gardner and Harvey Company.

On December 6, 1870, Colin Gardner married Elizabeth Tytus, of Middletown, daughter of Francis Jefferson and Sarah (Butler) Tytus. She was a graduate of Vassar College. The three children born to Colin Gardner and wife were: Edward Tytus, Colin, Jr., and Robert Brewster.

Colin Gardner, Sr., died March 7, 1919, when in his eightieth year. Some of the outstanding characteristics that made him a dominant figure in the life and affairs of Middletown, as well as in his chosen business, were stated in a memorial tribute from which the following sentences are taken: "The ground work of such a victorious life is simple, yet profound. First, a boundless faith shaped and sustained his history. At times the great interests he had were not sharing as largely as they might in profits. Mr. Gardner never lost hope. He confidently believed matters would right themselves again. Rarely could a man be found with more definite convictions, clearer opinions and firmer attitude. He was no shifter. He never played fast and loose with duty; when he saw clearly a course of procedure he went forward with invincible firmness. Again, his sincerity and freedom from sham was an outstanding characteristic, he was keen to detect pretense and hypocrisy and burned against it. Few men are more completely above the spirit of envy. When his own business chanced by unfavorable circumstances to make little or no profits, he could readily rejoice in the success and prosperity of others. Indeed, so anxious was he, so optimistic was he, that he was always hopeful for those who were unpromising. But he had small use for a shiftless man who showed no appreciation for the help others offered him. To the man of earnest purpose and faithful effort Mr. Gardner always gave abundant sympathy and generous encouragement. He firmly believed that every man should earn his right to live by his daily effort. As long as it was physically possible, Mr. Gardner was a wonderful example of what he advocated, and was found daily in his office abreast of all the details of his business. The monument he most desired to leave behind would be his three sons as worthy citizens, properly trained and inspired by such ideals as he had ever tried to hold before their vision. It was this high and noble appreciation for home and family that inspired in Mr. Gardner many simple and beautiful unrecorded charities toward less fortunate families. In all our community a more wonderful example of deep, untiring patriotism could not be found. He demonstrated that a true American citizen is never too old to be patriotic. In his eightieth year the fires of patriotic devotion burned with brilliant glow, and he supported with great liberality every measure for winning the war. With all the large interests that filled Mr. Gardner's big heart, none held a larger place than did the First Baptist Church.

"Every class of persons, every institution in our city, is stricken by Mr. Gardner's death. The laboring men know they have lost a friendly helper.

Times when conditions almost demanded that his mills be closed, he was willing to keep the machines operating at a loss rather than that his men should be thrown out of employment. The big, strong men who stood with him full-breasted against the hard business problems that force themselves upon the attention of manufacturers, shake today with inward sobs because this braver brother-soul will walk with them no more in future tempestuous days. Others whom he scarcely knew will miss him riding through the streets from his home to his office."

His son and namesake, Colin Gardner, Jr., who was born at Middletown, June 30, 1886, was educated in the schools of his native town, in the University of Cincinnati, and in 1909 graduated from the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, thus securing a thorough technical ground work of knowledge to serve him as a factor in his father's business. Soon after graduating he began as a timekeeper at the plant of the Gardner-Harvey Paper Company, subsequently went into the sales department of the Colin Gardner Paper Company, and for a number of years past has been the executive officer in charge of the sales group of mills represented by the Gardner and Harvey interests.

When our country became a participant in the World war Mr. Gardner sought enlistment in the military service, but was rejected because of physical disability. He served as chairman of the Middletown Chapter of the Red Cross, was active in the Liberty Loan drives, and all other movements in aid of the cause. In 1916 he became a member of the first Board of Trustees of the Middletown Hospital Association, under which the hospital was opened. Since 1918 he has been treasurer of the Middletown Hospital. He is a member of the First Baptist Church, and at Yale was a Delta Psi. He is a republican. On April 6, 1911, he married Miss Ethel Ames, daughter of Allen and Mary Louella (Johnson) Ames. She was educated in a convent at Brentwood, Long Island, and at Miss Bennett's School at Millbrook, New York. She died September 21, 1918, the mother of four children: Colin III, Ames, Nancy Elizabeth and Eugenia. On April 12, 1923, Mr. Gardner married Elinor Vandegrift, of Wilmington, Delaware.

Robert Brewster Gardner is treasurer of the interests represented in the Gardner and Harvey Company at Middletown, including the Gardner-Harvey Paper Company, the Universal Paper Products Company, the Gardner Paper Company, Colin Gardner Paper Company.

A son of the late Colin Gardner, Sr., whose career is given in the preceding sketch, was born in Middletown, July 21, 1890. He was educated in the grammar school of Middletown, prepared for college in the Hotchkiss Preparatory School of Lakeville, Connecticut, but in the fall of 1910 began a practical career to learn the paper industry as a laborer with the Gardner-Harvey Paper Company. He was promoted to receiving clerk, to shipping clerk, to assistant secretary of the Colin Gardner Paper Company and the Gardner-Harvey Paper Company and subsequently to his present executive office.

Mr. Gardner is one of the forceful men in the citizenship of Middletown, a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Chamber of Commerce, is a republican, a member of the First Baptist Church, and belongs to Buz Fuz Club of Dayton, the Maketewah Golf Club of Cincinnati, the Butler County Country Club, the Dayton Country Club and the Miami Valley Hunt and Polo Club. He married Miss Edna Woolley, May 21, 1913. Her parents were Edgar Mott and Katherine (Prather) Woolley, of Cincinnati. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Gardner are: Elizabeth Tytus and Robert Brewster, Jr.

The Gardner and Harvey Company. This corporate name serves to identify several of the industries that have made Middletown one of the chief centers in the Middle West in paper manufacture. For two generations the Gardners and Harveys have been experts in the industry. It is the purpose of the following sketch to outline the chief facts in the business history of the various organizations within the Gardner-Harvey group.

First in point of time of these is the Colin Gardner Paper Company, which was organized in 1900 by the late Colin Gardner, Sr. He had been a paper manufacturer at Middletown for thirty years, as described in the preceding sketch. He became president of the company; Mr. E. T. Gardner, treasurer, and Mr. George H. Harvey, secretary. This company operated one machine mill, trimming eighty-five inch, with a daily capacity of thirty tons. Its success caused the installation in 1904 of a 100-tonnage machine with an additional capacity of about forty tons a day.

The second industry in the group was the Gardner-Harvey Paper Company, organized in 1909, with Mr. Tom Harvey as manager, and the mill was built and is still operated under his supervision. Mr. M. S. Johnston, who had been associated with the Colin Gardner Paper Company since its origin, was made secretary of the company, with Colin Gardner as president and Mr. E. T. Gardner as treasurer. This mill was equipped with machine trimming 124-inch, with a daily capacity of about sixty tons. In the summer of 1909 Mr. Colin Gardner, Jr., came into the organization, followed in 1910 by his brother, Mr. R. B. Gardner.

At a receiver's sale in 1917 the National Box Board Company was purchased, and the Gardner Paper Board Company was organized. This mill was equipped with machine trimming seventy-two inch, and had a capacity of about thirty tons a day, but in a short time this production was increased to about fifty tons. The other machines have all been constantly improved, thereby increasing their tonnage approximately 15 to 25 per cent, so that in 1920 the four machines owned by the Gardner-Harvey interests, under the names of the three mills, Colin Gardner Paper Company, Gardner-Harvey Paper Company, and the Gardner Paper Board Company, had a total capacity of about 500,000 pounds a day.

In order to take care of the machine repair work of the associated Gardner-Harvey Mills, the Enterprise Machine Company was built in 1917, George Harvey being president of the company; Colin Gardner, Jr., secretary; M. S. Johnston, treasurer, and Granville Zecher, treasurer. During the war this company engaged in manufacturing supplies for the army and navy and in doing other work for the Government.

In 1917 Colin Gardner, Sr., retired as active officer of the organization, but occupied the office of chairman of the board of directors until his death two years later, in March, 1919. Mr. E. T. Gardner became president of the companies, Mr. Colin Gardner, Jr., vice president; Mr. R. B. Gardner, treasurer; Mr. M. S. Johnston, secretary, while Mr. Tom Harvey continued in the capacity of manager of the Gardner-Harvey Paper Company and the Gardner Paper Board Company, and Mr. George Harvey is manager of the Colin Gardner Paper Company.

Due to the keen competition arising from the fact that mills operated their own box factories, the Gardner-Harvey interests in 1922 found it necessary to further fabricate their own product by securing equipment for the manufacture of paper boxes. Consequently they purchased the Universal Paper Product Company of Chicago, with factories at Clyde, moving the factories to Middletown, where a new building

was erected on the property of the Gardner-Harvey Paper Company, adjacent to the mill. This building, 900 by 400 feet, has a maximum capacity when fully equipped of 80 to 100 tons of box board a day. The officers of the Colin Gardner Paper Company, Gardner-Harvey Paper Company, Gardner Paper Board Company and Universal Paper Products Company are the same—Mr. E. T. Gardner, president; Mr. Colin Gardner, Jr., vice president; Mr. Robert B. Gardner, treasurer, and Mr. M. S. Johnston, secretary. These industries represent an enormous investment, that of the Colin Gardner Paper Company being $1,400,000, Gardner-Harvey Paper Company, $750,000; Gardner Paper Board Company, $400,000; Universal Paper Products Company, $750,000. The industries employ 1,000 people, and they represent an advanced stage of any industrial community, providing many of the services that only organizations can effect. At the plant is an auditorium seating 300 people, and used for lectures, dances and other social functions of employes. The companies employ a visiting nurse, maintain the Gardner Baseball Club and also the Mutual Benefit Association for charitable purposes.

Daily News-Signal. The Daily News-Signal of Middletown is a newspaper with mechanical facilities, news service and influence to rank it among the leading daily papers of Southern Ohio. It is a paper with an interesting history, and several prominent men in journalism and public affairs have been identified with it at different times.

Its origin was due to an enterprising dry goods merchant of Middletown who fifty-six years ago conceived the then original idea of publishing a weekly newspaper to be given away as the exclusive advertising medium for his establishment. The people of Middletown and vicinity quickly learned to call it "Given Away." Established in 1868, three years later T. J. Ward, a printer journalist of the early day, took over the "Given Away" and operated it as a state weekly paper under the name of the Daily Signal. Under his direction it was continued until 1886, when the Signal was acquired by a partnership including C. H. Bundy, George Hinkle and C. G. Hobart. These were the publishers for two years, and in 1888, more than thirty-five years ago, a purchaser was found in John Q. Baker, who is the present publisher. At various times the offices of the publication were located in the Masonic Temple, in the Sorg Opera House Building and in the little brick building at 218 Wall Street, changes of location being made from time to time to provide more adequate facilities, but since 1922 it has been in its new and modern home at Fourth and Wall streets.

It was John Q. Baker who, shortly after acquiring the Signal, which under preceding owners had been a weekly, gave Middletown its first daily newspaper. During the first year of the Daily-Signal James M. Cox, former governor of Ohio and democratic nominee for president in 1920, was connected with the institution, acting in almost every capacity which a small country daily requires. He helped to gather the news, helped run the press, washed the rollers, and when the edition had been run off, helped carry the papers to the subscribers in the downtown section. For his subsequent successful position among American newspaper publishers Mr. Cox was indebted in a small measure to the experience gained on the path of the Signal. From the Signal he went to the Cincinnati Enquirer, from there to Washington as secretary to the late P. J. Sorg, and then became publisher of the Daily News and the three other newspapers which now comprise the News League group controlled by Mr. Cox.

Others connected with the Signal in those early days included Sloane Gordon, who later rose to fame as a newspaper correspondent, magazine writer and publicity expert; and John Egan, who came from a humble home in Excello, Ohio, and after a brief and brilliant career in journalism gained success at the bar.

Since 1888, when he first acquired the Middletown Signal, John Q. Baker has been editor and publisher of the newspaper continuously except for about three years while he was associated with James M. Cox in the Dayton Daily News. It was in 1902 that the Daily Signal was sold to C. E. Gaumer, of Urbana, Ohio, who operated the paper until 1905.

In 1905 the Middletown News was established by a company as a third daily paper in Middletown. It had a rapid growth and in a short time a consolidation was effected in which the Signal was absorbed by the News Company, the combined publication becoming known as the News-Signal.

Mr. John Q. Baker was born in Cincinnati, but has resided in Butler County most of his life, and through his work and interests there has become one of the outstanding figures in the journalism of Southern Ohio. After attending Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware he became a country school teacher, for a number of years conducting the excellent school at Amanda, Ohio.

In his early days in the newspaper profession Mr. Baker was a member of the News staff of the Cincinnati Enquirer, getting his first big city experience in journalism under the late John R. McLean. As head of the News-Signal Mr. Baker consistently has stood for progress in the community and for clean government, being fearless in exposure of corruption and scandal in connection with public work, waging many a fearless campaign in the people's behalf, for natural gas, for new industries, for a public library, better roads, better schools, for everything which would tend to make a larger, more prosperous and progressive city. He is a member of the board of trustees of Miami University.

Late in 1921 plans were laid for a new home for the News-Signal. Since 1905 it had been housed in a small brick building on Wall Street. Rapid increase of circulation had made the old place inadequate and afforded cramped conditions for the composing, editorial and business departments. On a site acquired at Fourth Street (now First Avenue) and Wall Street, in October, 1922, the modern and commodious newspaper plant was completed. The news press installed permitted a change from printing on an old style flat bed press, direct from type, to the stereotype system, in which cylindrical plates are used in place of the type itself.

The present managing editor, Paul J. Banker, began his newspaper experience as a reporter on the News-Signal in 1914, later was associate editor of Commerce and Finance of New York City for three years, returning to become managing editor of the News-Signal at the conclusion of the World war. His war service was as a lieutenant in the Three Hundred and Fourteenth Infantry, but in France he was assigned special duty in the press section of the General Staff.

W. Edward Slagle. Many lines of trade are represented at Youngstown, the needs of the city and its wide adjacent territory creating a demand for almost all kinds of commodities. One of the men who have during years of persistent effort built up solid business houses in this city is W. Edward Slagle, long associated with the seed trade of Mahoning County.

W. Edward Slagle was born near Newton, Kansas, October 7, 1879, a son of Fred C. and Anna E. (Brough) Slagle, natives of Pennsylvania, both now deceased. When W. Edward Slagle was twelve months

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old his parents brought him to Ohio, and he had the advantage of attending the excellent public schools of this state through the high school courses. When he was nineteen years old he began to earn his own way in the greenhouse and seed business at Calla, Ohio, where he continued until 1907, at which time he came to Youngstown to take charge of the seed and poultry supply house of the Templin Seed Company, which position he held for eight years. Leaving that company he was for a year with the Wilson Bird Company, and then he and William McBride founded a pet and seed store at 17 Wick Avenue. After eleven years of partnership Mr. Slagle bought the interest of Mr. McBride, and has since continued alone. Since becoming the sole owner he has added the handling of poultry supplies, and he now occupies the premises at 27 West Commerce Street.

In 1904 Mr. Slagle married Della Wonsettlor, who was born in Beaver Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, a daughter of George and Christina Wonsettlor, natives of Mahoning County and Virginia, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Slagle have one son, Kenneth C. Mr. Slagle belongs to the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church of Youngstown, and is one of its trustees. In politics he is a republican. Active in the work of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, he has passed all of the chairs and is now a past grand. He also belongs to the Knights of Malta.

S. Albert Sherman. Physicians now admit the value of wholesome sport, and regularly prescribe for their patients a certain amount of exercise, especially that to be found in billiards and bowling. In fact, so generally has the efficacy of this kind of exercise been admitted that the name "health factories" has been accorded the houses providing for its pursuit. One of the men of Youngstown who for a number of years has been connected with one phase or the other of this great business is S. Albert Sherman, now handling a full line of billiard and bowling supplies and equipment.

S. Albert Sherman was born at Clarion, Pennsylvania, September 8, 1876, son of John and Eliza (Shelly) Sherman, both of whom were born in the Keystone State. He died in 1918, but she survives and makes her home at LaHabra, California. Leaving the public schools of Pennsylvania when he was fourteen years old, S. Albert Sherman went into the lumber woods of his native state, and continued lumbering until 1896, when he transferred his efforts to the oil fields of West Virginia. In 1903 he became connected with the Indiana oil fields as a driller, but two years later severed his associations with this industry, going to Parkers Landing, Pennsylvania, owned a bowling alley, and also managed a baseball team. In 1907 he disposed of these interests, and, coming to Youngstown, was connected for a brief period with the clothing industry of this city, and was interested in different callings for about a year, when once more he associated himself with sports and opened a billiard room on Hinman Avenue. Two years later he sold this business and opened a similar establishment on East Federal Street. Three years later he moved it to the public square, and continued to operate it for four years, and then, in 1919, sold it to give his attention to his present business at 128 East Boardman Street. He is the patentee of the Sherman Puncture Proof Tire, manufactured by the Sherman-Stevenson Tire & Rubber Company of Scottdale, Pennsylvania.

On June 16, 1923, he was married to Miss Anna Marie Murray, who was born at Braddock, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Patrick and Bridget (Burke) Murray, natives of Pennsylvania. Mr. Sherman attends the Presbyterian Church. He belongs to the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Youngstown Chamber of Commerce and the Sherman Athletic Club, which he organized, and which he is serving as president. It is safe to say that he has been one of the most potent factors in bringing about a wholesome appreciation of the value of recreation in this vicinity, and his kindly sympathy and genial personality have gained for him the warm friendship of hundreds in this locality.

William Ansel Lorimer. Achievement for its own sake, working out constructive plans, and finding new enthusiasm every day for the tasks before him, have apparently been the dominant characteristics of the business career of William Ansel Lorimer, of Zanesville. He has been in real estate and insurance, and has perfected an organization that has probably done more for this city than any other in the direction of practical development.

Mr. Lorimer was born on a farm in Union Township, at New Concord, Muskingum County, October 30, 1882, son of Joseph P. and Nina (Given) Lorimer, natives of the same township, where their fathers, Joseph Lorimer and William Given, were pioneers. Joseph P. Lorimer was a farmer and later for some years in the wholesale commission business at Zanesville, where he died May 10, 1921, at the age of sixty-three. His widow is still living at Zanesville. Both were active members of the United Presbyterian Church.

The oldest of three children, William A. Lorimer began his education in the country schools, attended the public schools of New Concord, and as a youth he manifested the initiative and inclination for independent effort that have been responsible for his success. After a few years in business with his father he engaged in real estate and insurance at Zanesville, in February, 1901. At the age of twenty-one years he took over a general insurance agency that had been in existence for forty-five years, and has handled it for twenty-two years. It is a business with a record of fifty years. This agency represents twenty-five fire insurance companies, two life companies, two bonding companies and handles insurance of every kind.

In real estate Mr. Lorimer has specialized on downtown business property and home sites. He has been responsible for some of the most attractive developments in the residence district of Zanesville. He put on the market the Lorimer addition of Arlington Place, Harvard Place, Fenton subdivision, Drumm subdivision and White subdivision, all these being located in the Terrace, known as the finest home section of Zanesville. He platted and subdivided Maple Hills, a hundred-acre tract adjoining the city, and has built and sold on the easy payment plan many homes in Brighton and Terrace. His long study and experience have made him a master of every phase of real estate business. He draws his plans, buys lumber wholesale, and oversees the construction work.

Near Zanesville Mr. Lorimer owns a farm which furnishes another outlet for his energy. On this farm he keeps a herd of registered Holstein cattle, all tubercular tested, and his model dairy supplies part of the pure milk for Zanesville. He is also fond of horseback riding and hunting. His public spirit and patriotism have put him into every movement for the welfare of his community, and he was identified with all the war drives. From 1918 to 1923 he served as secretary of the Zanesville Exchange Club. He is a stockholder and director in the American Light Company, the Johnson Drug Company and the Hook-Aston Milling Company. Mr. Lorimer is a trustee of the United Presbyterian Church, and active in its Sunday School and president of the Young Men's Athletic Club of the church. He is identified with the

Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Women's Christian Association, the hospitals and other institutions meeting public support. He has served as secretary-treasurer of the Zanesville Realtors, is a member of the Ohio State and National Realtors Association, and the Zanesville Insurance and the Ohio State and National Insurance associations. His fraternities are the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Modern Woodmen of America.

At Zanesville Mr. Lorimer married Miss Daisy P. Covert, who was born on a farm near Cumberland, Guernsey County, Ohio, daughter of Morris Covert. Her father, now living, retired at the age of eighty years in Spencer Township, Guernsey County, owns two of the finest farms in that county, and has been one of the leaders in the agricultural life of Southeastern Ohio for many years. He specialized in the raising of blooded Belgian horses. Mrs. Lorimer is active in church work, but most of her activities are within her home. She is the mother of three daughters, Harriet, Lucille and Ruth. Harriet is now a student in the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

JOHN LEE MARSH is one of the prominent figures in industrial circles at Youngstown, Mahoning County, in which city he is vice president and general manager of the Vahey Oil Company, which maintains plants not only in this city but also at Warren, Trumbull County. Mr. Marsh is vice president also of the Vahey Gasoline Company at Salem, Columbiana County.

John L. Marsh claims the historic old Bluegrass State as the place of his nativity, his birth having occurred at Milford, Kentucky, on the 13th of September, 1887. In Kentucky were likewise born his parents, John Harrison Marsh and Martha (Patten) Marsh, the father having long been a successful exponent of farm industry, and being now retired.

In the public schools of his native state the early educational discipline of John L. Marsh included that of the high school, and later he was a student in the University of Kentucky, besides which he completed a course in a leading business college at Cincinnati, Ohio. For a time he was employed in the purchasing department of the Big Four Railroad in Cincinnati, and in that city he held for a time a position in the office of the Breese Brothers Roofing Company. After his return to Kentucky he became associated with the Indiana Refining Company at Georgetown, and with this corporation he eventually became secretary to the vice president. After the company moved its headquarters to Cincinnati Mr. Marsh there continued in its service six years, in the order and sales departments, and when the company established its general offices in New York City he there continued his connection with the concern about one year. He next passed a year as chief clerk in the office of the Texas Oil Company at Youngstown, Ohio, and he was then transferred to the New York office, in the capacity of operating inspector. Later he was made manager of the company's plant at Brooklyn, New York, and then he was transferred to Youngstown, Ohio, where he retained the management of the local plant of this corporation three years. In August, 1918, he was here made manager of the Vahey Oil Company, and in the following year he was elected its vice president, the office of which he is now the incumbent, besides holding also the position of general manager.

Mr. Marsh is aligned loyally in the ranks of the democratic party, and he and his wife hold membership in Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church at Youngstown, and here he is an active member of the Kiwanis Club, of which he was president in 1923, and is a director of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Mahoning Finance Company. In the time-honored Masonic fraternity Mr. Marsh has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a noble of the Mystic Shrine.

In October, 1915, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Marsh and Miss Grace E. Murray, who was born at Niles, Ohio, a daughter of Jerry C. and Margaret (Paul) Murray, the former a native of Ohio and the latter of Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Marsh have two children: John Harrison and Marilyn, the former having been named in honor of his paternal grandfather.

JOSEPH G. BROWNLIE, proprietor and vital and progressive manager of the Ad Letter Shop in the City of Youngstown, the important metropolis and industrial center of Mahoning County, was born at Meadville, Pennsylvania, July 22, 1887, and is a son of George and Jane (Gibb) Brownlie, both natives of Scotland and both now deceased, the father having been a mechanical engineer of exceptional skill.

The major part of the early education of Joseph G. Brownlie was acquired in the public schools of the city in which he now maintains his home, and at the age of fourteen years he found employment in a local foundry, in which he learned the moulder's trade. After eight years of active alliance with this line of industrial enterprise he was for a few years employed as a mechanic in an automobile factory at Elyria, this state, and it was about the year 1914 that he founded his present direct mail advertising business, which he has since successfully conducted, with his establishment designated as the Ad Letter Shop and with headquarters at 122 South Phelps Street. He is a charter member of the local Kiwanis Club, has served as secretary of the Youngstown Advertising Club, holds membership also in the Exchange Club and the Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity. He is a member also of the Youngstown Automobile Club, and he and his wife hold membership in the Tabernacle United Presbyterian Church in their home city.

March 19, 1917, recorded the marriage of Mr. Brownlie and Miss Gladys J. Corlett, who was born and reared at Youngstown, and whose parents, Sanford G. and Bessie (Gleason) Corlett, were born respectively at Cleveland and Canfield, this state. Mr. and Mrs. Brownlie have no children.

WILLIAM J. MORGAN. In his native City of Youngstown, Mahoning County, which is one of the specially important industrial centers of Ohio, Mr. Morgan is successfully established in the gasoline and oil business, as pertaining specially to the automobile line, and his well equipped headquarters at 325 West Wood Street are known for efficiency and service.

Mr. Morgan was born at Youngstown in the year 1886, and is a son of the late Benjamin G. and Mary Catherine (Morgan) Morgan, the former of whom was born in Wales and the latter in Mahoning County, Ohio, where their marriage was solemnized. Benjamin G. Morgan was a skilled artisan at the carpenter's trade, and became a successful contractor and builder in the City of Youngstown, his death having here occurred in 1906 and his widow having passed away in 1918.

In the public schools of Youngstown, William J. Morgan continued his studies until he was sixteen years of age, and thereafter he served a thorough apprenticeship to the trade of machinist, in which he became a skilled workman. After following his trade five years he purchased a local machine shop, and two years later he became associated with H. B. Smith in here conducting a general automobile-repair business, this alliance having continued three years, and Mr. Morgan having thereafter developed in an individual way a substantial business not only in this line but also in the handling of automobile tires.

Rev. A. L. Leininger.

His enterprise finally became changed to the handling of gasoline and oil.

Mr. Morgan was one of Youngstown's native sons who represented Ohio as a gallant young soldier in overseas service in the World war. He entered service in July, 1918, and was assigned to field artillery. In October of that year he arrived with his command in France, but as the armistice was signed in the following month he had no opportunity for prolonged service on the battle front. He remained abroad until April, 1919, when he returned to his native land and duly received his honorable discharge.

Mr. Morgan is independent in politics, is a member of Plymouth Congregational Church in Youngstown, has received the thirty-second degree of the Masonic Scottish Rite, and is a Shriner of Al Koran Temple at Cleveland, Ohio. He is affiliated also with Youngstown Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Frederick Church Brown has been active in the Youngstown business life for over thirty years, most of his time having been spent in banking. He is a manager of a branch of the Dollar Savings and Trust Company at 315 E. Federal Street.

His individual career has served to enrich the record of a family of unusual distinction in the Mahoning Valley. Mr. Brown was born in New York City, February 20, 1870, son of Richard and Thalia (Newton) Brown. His grandfather, Capt. John Brown, after serving with the British Army in the battle of Waterloo, came to the United States about 1840 and spent the last twenty years of his life at Canfield, Mahoning County, Ohio. His son, Richard Brown, was born in England, and at the age of fourteen was apprentice to a draper and dry goods merchant, spending seven years in learning the business. He had experience both in London and Paris, and while in London was associated with George Williams in organizing the Young Men's Christian Association of the World. Later, after locating in New York City, he assisted in founding and became the first treasurer of the first association in this country. About 1844 Richard Brown came to the United States, and for a time was with the New York firm of Lord and Taylor, and A. C. Stewart. In 1877, on account of ill health, he located at Canfield, Ohio, where he died in 1888, at the age of seventy-one. While visiting his parents in Ohio he met Thalia Newton, who was born at Canfield, daughter of Judge Eben Newton, one of the distinguished lawyers and public men of Ohio. Born in Connecticut in 1795, he came to Ohio about 1814, was admitted to the bar at Warren in 1823, and for twenty years was a partner of Elisha Whittlesey. He also practiced for a short time in Cincinnati with Rutherford B. Hayes. In 1840, Eben Newton was elected a member of the State Senate, and as judge of the Third Judicial District held the first session of the Common Pleas Court in Mahoning County in 1846. He was elected to Congress in 1850, was president of two railroad lines in Northeastern Ohio, and was the prefect in law with Ben F. Wade, Joshua R. Giddings and other great Ohio men.

The mother of Frederick Church Brown died in 1889. The son had spent the first seven years of his life in New York, where he attended a private school, and afterward the public schools at Canfield, was graduated in 1889 from the Northeastern Ohio Normal College, and in 1890 came to Youngstown. For some time he was cashier of the Youngstown Street Railroad Company, and in 1896 was elected city clerk, serving two terms. On resigning that office he became identified with the Wick National Bank of Youngstown, which was subsequently absorbed by the Dollar Savings and Trust Company. He served as teller in the bank until April 1, 1908, at which time he became manager of the Federal Street branch, and has held that responsible executive position in local banking circles for over sixteen years.

Mr. Brown married June 27, 1894, Miss Emma Creed, a native of Coitsville, Mahoning County, Ohio, and daughter of John A. and Caroline (Vail) Creed. Her father was a native of England, and her mother was born in Poland, Ohio. Two daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. Brown: Grace Elizabeth, who died in infancy, and Ethel Caroline, wife of Franklin F. Ferris, of Youngstown, Ohio. Mr. Brown has served the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Youngstown as an elder since 1897. For thirteen years he was a member of the City Sinking Fund and Tax Commission, is a republican, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and has been active in the Youngstown Young Men's Christian Association.

Leroy Zorger, who has charge of the Youngstown headquarters and business of The U-Drive-It Co., is one of the alert business men of the younger generation in the vigorous industrial city that is the judicial center of Mahoning County, and he has no qualified pride in reverting to the fine old Buckeye State as the place of his nativity.

Mr. Zorger was born in the City of Massillon, Stark County, Ohio, February 28, 1894, and is a son of Curtiss and Sarah (Myers) Zorger, the former of whom was born in Richland County, this state, and the latter at Massillon, Stark County. The public schools and a business college afforded Mr. Zorger his early education, and at the age of sixteen years he entered the employ of the B. F. Goodrich Tire & Rubber Company at Akron. There he later became associated with the Goodyear Rubber Company, with which he continued his alliance eight years, since which he has continuously been identified with The U-Drive-It Co., first at Akron and later in Youngstown, where he has had charge of the company's business since 1922. He is a republican in politics, he and his wife hold membership in the Second Presbyterian Church of Youngstown, he is a member of the local Lions Club, and is affiliated with the Loyal Order of Moose.

The year 1913 recorded the marriage of Mr. Zorger and Miss Lauretta Grue, who was born in the Province of Ontario, Canada, and of the two children of this union the firstborn, Phyllis, died at the age of eight months. Robert Leroy, the surviving child, was born in November, 1917.

Rev. Anthony Lawrence Leininger recently completed a thirty-year service as pastor of St. Nicholas Catholic Church at Zanesville. In this pastorate of so many years he has distinguished himself for his thorough consecration and his ability as an organizer and constructive administrator. In building up a strong and efficient church he has served the entire city and community, and no one is more generally esteemed in Zanesville than Father Leininger.

A native Ohioan, he was born at Navarre, in Stark County, August 17, 1862, son of Conrad and Tecla Leininger. His parents were natives of Germany. Anthony Lawrence Leininger was early chosen for service to the church. After attending the public and parochial schools of his native town he pursued his classical and philosophical studies in St. Vincent's College at Beatty, Pennsylvania, and took his theological course in St. Mary's Seminary at Baltimore. He was ordained at Baltimore by the late Cardinal Gibbons on December 20, 1888.

Returning to his native state, Father Leininger became pastor of Millersburg and nearby missions in Holmes County. From the first he showed his successful ability to get constructive work done for his church. While there he remodeled and built the

church of Glenmont, and at Millersburg he cleared up a $9,000 debt on the parish and made extensive improvements besides. In July, 1893, Father Leininger was transferred to St. John's Church at Logan, Ohio, and in the few months he was there he prepared the way for a new church.

His long and successful pastorate of St. Nicholas Church of Zanesville began December 6, 1893. This is one of the old Catholic churches of Muskingum County, having been founded in 1842. Father Leininger's early years of pastorate there coincided with the great financial panic, but in January, 1897, he started a campaign for improvement and soon afterward plans were completed for a new church edifice. The cornerstone was laid July 10, 1898, by Rt. Rev. John A. Watterson, Bishop of Columbus. The handsome St. Nicholas Church of today is built in the Romanesque style of architecture, suggesting the ancient lines of St. Peter's of Rome and St. Mark's of Venice. The material is mottled brick with terra cotta trimmings. Over the front entrance is a mosaic representing Columbus discovering America, one of the finest examples of mosaic art in the country. Father Leininger himself supervised every detail of the construction, selecting the material, drawing the designs and planning the church. He has been equally interested in providing an adequate educational equipment for his parish. Under his administration a high school building was erected, and there are now eighty pupils enrolled in the high school, which offers a four-year course, and 450 pupils are in the parochial schools. There are twelve teachers, and plans have been made for a new and modern twelve-room school building.

In 1900 Father Leininger negotiated the matter of taking over the Margaret Blue Sanitarium by the Sisters of St. Francis, and in 1902 was begun the erection of the present Good Samaritan Hospital. This was occupied June 20, 1902, and in 1903 additions were made and an entire new building was erected in 1904, giving room for 100 beds. In 1914 a new nurses' dormitory, four stories in height, was put on the west end of the building, and in 1923 the five-story addition, costing $115,000, was erected. The Good Samaritan stands as one of the best equipped hospitals in Southeastern Ohio. Father Leininger is a forceful and eloquent speaker, and many times has given his cooperation to movements for the general civic welfare. He was active in all the war campaigns. He is a man of deep and thorough culture, and has traveled extensively over this country and oriental countries. He is a member of the Rotary Club, the Knights of St. George, and the Knights of Columbus.

Roy Thomas Bell was the organizer of the firm of Roy T. Bell & Company, certified public accountants, and this concern has developed in the City of Youngstown, Mahoning County, a substantial and representative business with a clientage including many of the important industrial and commercial corporations of this city. Mr. Bell is a certified public accountant, as are also his coadjutors in the firm, Ralph F. Mateer and Charles S. Alverson.

Mr. Bell was born on the parental home farm near Circleville, Pickaway County, Ohio, December 19, 1882, and his parents now maintain their home in the City of Columbus, this state, both having likewise been born in Pickaway County, where they were reared and educated and where their marriage was solemnized. Mr. Bell is a son of Thomas R. and Ella H. (Helvering) Bell, the former being a son of Alexander C. and Minerva (Reber) Bell, and the latter being a daughter of David and Mary (Morris) Helvering. All of the grandparents were likewise natives of Ohio with the exception of David Helvering, who was born in Pennsylvania. Thomas R. Bell was not only a successful farmer, but has also been prominently identified with the grain business, in connection with which he has operated elevators and been a successful buyer and shipper of grain.

At the age of eighteen years Roy T. Bell was graduated from the high school at Circleville, and from 1901 to 1908 he was agent for the United States Express Company on the west side of the City of Cleveland. He next held, for three years, a clerical position with the Glidden Varnish Company, and thereafter was for nearly five years associated with the Cleveland firm of Ernst & Ernst, public accountants. After two years of effective service as auditor for the Marathon Tire & Rubber Company at Cuyahoga Falls he held for one year the position of assistant secretary and treasurer of the Elwell-Parker Electric Company at Cleveland. He next came to Youngstown to assume the office of general auditor for the Republic Rubber Corporation, with which he was thus associated two years, and he then, in 1920, became a member of the firm of Simonton Jones and Company, public accountants, where he remained until August 1, 1921, when he established himself independently in business as a public accountant. July 1, 1923, he formed a partnership with Ralph F. Mateer and C. S. Alverson and established the firm of Roy T. Bell & Company, of which he has since continued the executive head. He is an active and valued member of the Youngstown Chamber of Commerce, and is serving on its finance committee. He has membership also in the local Lions Club, is affiliated with the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council organizations of York Rite Masonry, is independent in politics, and he and his wife hold membership in Evergreen Presbyterian Church. His attractive home in Youngstown is at 205 Pasadena Avenue, and his office is maintained at 404 Terminal Building.

October 29, 1907, was the date that marked the marriage of Mr. Bell and Miss Vida Mae Alverson, who was born at Bombay, New York, a daughter of E. Wilbur and Eliza S. (Sears) Alverson, and the two children of this union are Donald, born November 5, 1908, and Martha, born September 3, 1915.

Edward Aloyssius Mahon, who is engaged in business as a mortician and funeral director in his native City of Youngstown, was one of the gallant young sons who represented Mahoning County in the nation's overseas service in the World war.

Mr. Mahon was born at Youngstown, on the 4th of June, 1887, and is a son of John and Bridget (Flannagan) Mahon, who were born in Ireland and who were children at the time of the immigration of the respective families to the United States, both having been reared and educated in Newark, New Jersey, in which city their marriage was solemnized. John Mahon early became a workman in the steel mills at Youngstown, Ohio, he having been a pioneer in the puddling department of old No. 1 Furnace in this city and having here continued his residence, a substantial and respected citizen, until his death, in 1905. His wife survived him and was summoned to eternal rest in the year 1918. Both were zealous and devout communicants of the Catholic Church.

After his graduation from the parochial school of Saint Columbus Church in Youngstown, Edward A. Mahon was for three years a student in the Rayen High School, and it was not until after he had participated in the great World conflict and received at the battle front injuries that left their permanent effect that he prepared himself for the profession and business of which he is now a successful representative in his native city. His higher education included one year of study in Cincinnati University, and in 1920 he was graduated from a school of embalming. Thereafter, as a duly licensed embalmer, he was employed in Youngstown undertaking

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establishments until 1923, when he formed a partnership with Andrew Krinspisky, with whom he has since been associated in the ownership and conducting of a thoroughly modern undertaking establishment at 811 South Avenue, where service and equipment are of the highest standard. Mr. Mahon is found arrayed loyally in the ranks of the republican party, is a communicant of the Catholic Church, in the faith of which he was carefully reared, and he is an active member of the Morticians Association of Mahoning and Trumbull counties.

In May, 1917, the month following that in which the United States became actively involved in the World war, Mr. Mahon volunteered for service in the United States Army. After his enlistment he was sent to Camp Gordon, where he took on membership in the first replacement and where in July, 1917, he was assigned to the Forty-second Division, with which he soon afterward entered active service in France. In the lines at Belleau Wood he received a shell wound that injured his spine and incidentally affected his hearing, with the result that he was incapacitated for further active service and was under treatment in military hospitals until December, 1918, and then received a surgical certified discharge. After his honorable discharge he returned to Youngstown, and in his native city his circle of friends is limited only by that of his acquaintances.

Emil G. Bertolini has utilized most effectively his technical and artistic talent since establishing his home in the United States, and in the City of Youngstown he now controls a substantial and prosperous business as a contractor in the installation of tile, marble and mosaic work, especially in connection with interior architectural work. Along this line he had served a specially excellent apprenticeship in his native Italy, and had followed similar work also in Germany.

Mr. Bertolini was born in the picturesque and historic old city of Venice, Italy, in the year 1887, and there he received his early education, as well as his original training for the trade and art of which he has become a successful and popular exponent in the land of his adoption. In the year 1913 Mr. Bertolini came to the United States, and after having followed his trade about three months at Akron, Ohio, where he was associated with his brother Arthur, he passed two years in working at his trade in the City of Washington, District of Columbia. During the next two years he was similarly employed in the City of Cleveland, and he then came from the Ohio metropolis to Youngstown, where he has since been engaged in business as a contractor in tile, marble and mosaic construction. It should be noted that he suffered a great loss in the death of his brother Arthur, January 1, 1913, shortly after his arrival in the United States. At Youngstown he and his wife are earnest communicants of the Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church.

In the year 1911 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Bertolini and Miss Lucy De Ponte, who likewise was born in Italy, and they have three children, Dominick, Henry and Arthuretta. The well equipped business establishment of Mr. Bertolini was started at 26 North Walnut Street, about 1917, and from an humble beginning he has developed a business of large proportions, which in the fall of 1924 will be housed in a modern up-to-date building located on three acres of ground on Wicklife Boulevard in Youngstown.

George Edward Lauby, doctor of chiropractic and founder and president of the Akron College of Chiropractic, has been more or less contiuously identified with educational work since early manhood. He is a native of Summit County, and his residence is at his native town of Greensburg, where he was born on a farm September 9, 1882.

His father, Levi Lauby, also a native of Summit County, combined his trade of stonemason with farming. He died in 1917, at the age of sixty-five. His wife was Alice York, and she is now Mrs. L. M. Kauffman, of Clinton, Ohio.

George Edward Lauby was reared on a farm, attended country schools, made farming his principal work until 1907, and he still keeps in touch with that vocation, specializing in the breeding of fine poultry. As a teacher he taught in the schools of Stark, Portage and Summit counties, at Suffield, Mogadore, Uniontown, Greentown, Greensburg and North Canton, most of the time being supervisor of music in these schools. He was graduated in 1916 from the Palmer School of Chiropractic at Davenport, Iowa, and then for several years engaged in a successful practice at Akron. In 1922 he established and become president of the Akron College of Chiropractic.

Doctor Lauby in 1920 was elected on the republican ticket as a member of the Ohio State Legislature and has the distinction of being the first chiropractor to sit in that body. He is affiliated with Akron Lodge of Masons; Washington Chapter, No. 25, Royal Arch Masons; Akron Council No. 80, Royal and Select Masters; Yusef Khan Grotto, and is also a past grand of Hadassah Lodge, No. 450, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Greentown.

Doctor Lauby's first wife was Miss Rosa Carmany, who died leaving two sons, Ralph and Paul. Subsequently he married Myrtle Kauffman. Doctor and Mrs. Lauby have three daughters, Ruth, Grace and Fae.

Charles A. Reed, who now holds the position of superintendent of beautiful Belmont Park Cemetery at Youngstown, Mahoning County, has marked the passing years with diversified and worthy achievement, not the least of which has been his earnest and effective service as a local preacher of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Reed was born in the village of Mantua, Portage County, Ohio, January 13, 1884, and on both the paternal and maternal sides is a representative of sterling pioneer families of the Buckeye State. His paternal grandparents, Sylvester and Elizabeth Reed, were natives of Connecticut and were long residents of Portage County, Ohio, where they continued to maintain their home until their death. The maternal grandparents, Orlando and Margaret (Kincaid) Bundy, were born in Trumbull County, Ohio, the respective families having been founded in the northeastern part of this state in an early day.

Mr. Reed is a son of William Albert and Lettie R. (Bundy) Reed, the former a native of Mantua, Portage County, and the latter of Trumbull County. William Albert Reed was one of the substantial farmers of Portage County at the time of his death, when but thirty-seven years of age, and his widow now resides at Mesopotamia, Trumbull County.

Charles A. Reed had the advantages of the public schools, including the high school, attended also night schools of the Young Men's Christian Association in the City of Cleveland, and after he had initiated his service as a local preacher of the Methodist Episcopal Church he advanced his scholarship by two years of study in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. He continued to be associated with the work of the home farm until he was seventeen years of age, when he entered the Morse School of Telegraphy at Cincinnati, and besides completing a course in this institution he also gained at the same time practical experience in a railroad telegraph office in that city. In the service of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad he worked for some time as relief telegraph operator and

station agent, and for three years he held the position of telegraph operator for this road at Niles Junction, Trumbull County. Thereafter he resided in Cleveland until 1909 and followed various pursuits, including that of house painting. In the spring of the year mentioned he became a section foreman of gardening at Lake View Cemetery, Cleveland, and three years later was promoted division superintendent, a post which he retained one year. He then became manager of the office of the cemetery, and three years later resumed the position of division superintendent, which he held for one season after he had established his residence on a farm near Mantua, Portage County, the place of his birth. He next held for seven months the position of superintendent and manager of the Chagrin Sand & Gravel Company, and he then entered upon his active labors as a local preacher of the Methodist Church. He had a pastoral charge at Twinsburg, Summit County, one year, and passed the succeeding year in similar service at Thompson, Geauga County. He then established his residence in Youngstown and became superintendent of the Tod Cemetery, besides which he continued for three years to act as supply clergyman when called upon for ministerial service. Since March 1, 1922, Mr. Reed has been the efficient superintendent of Belmont Park Cemetery, Youngstown, Ohio, and his administration has given unqualified satisfaction. He and his wife are still specially active and earnest workers in the Methodist Episcopal Church, both are affiliated with the Grange, or Patrons of Husbandry, he is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Youngstown, and in politics he is to be classified as an independent republican.

On the 18th of June, 1906, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Reed and Miss Katherine B. Taylor, who was born at Farmdale, Trumbull County, in 1887, and who received the advantages of the public schools of Medina, Painesville and Cleveland. Mrs. Reed is a daughter of Egbert Harvey Taylor and Mary A. (Adams) Taylor, the former of whom was born at Clive, this state, a son of William Harvey Taylor and Melissa (Shattuck) Taylor, natives of Connecticut, and the latter of whom was born at Burton Station, Geauga County, a daughter of Edward and Chloe (Pomeroy) Adams, both representatives of very early pioneer families of Geauga County. Mr. and Mrs. Reed became the parents of five children, all of whom are living except one, their names and respective dates of birth being here recorded: William Egbert, June 4, 1907; Virginia Alice, November 29, 1912; Frances Laverne, June 4, 1916; Chester A., April 9, 1918, (died March 14, 1921); and Mary Louise, March 22, 1922.

Harry Key Rayen has made a record of specially effective service as a teacher in the public schools of the City of Youngstown, the vital judicial and industrial center of Mahoning County, where he is now principal of the Princeton School.

Mr. Rayen was born at Girard, Trumbull County, Ohio, November 28, 1870, and is a son of James and Rachel (Templeton) Rayen, the former of whom was born in Pennsylvania and the latter at Austintown, Mahoning County, Ohio. Her father, William Templeton served as a valiant soldier in the War of 1812, and gained pioneer honors in Ohio. The paternal grandparents of the subject of this review were John and Sarah (Porter) Rayen, both natives of the old Keystone State, and John Rayen was a brother of Judge William Rayen, in whose honor was named the Rayen High School in the City of Youngstown, where he was an honored and influential citizen. James Rayen devoted virtually his entire active life to farm industry, and both he and his wife were residents of Mahoning County at the time of their death.

Harry K. Rayen gained in his boyhood and early youth a goodly fellowship with the work of the home farm, and after attending the public schools of Mahoning County, he continued his studies in the high school at Girard. He forthwith entered active service in the pedagogic profession, and he has continuously been engaged in teaching in the public schools of Ohio during the long intervening years, which have been marked by large and worthy service of constructive order. In Trumbull County he taught four years in the district schools of Wethersfield Township, and after his removal to Mahoning County he was for nine years superintendent of the public schools in the rural districts of Youngstown Township. In the City of Youngstown he thereafter served eight years as principal of the Market Street School, and for the ensuing three years he was principal of the Delason Avenue School. He had held since 1914 the position of principal of the Princeton School, and he has done much to advance the standard of work in the public schools of the city and county, his professional enthusiasm being on a parity with his distinctive professional loyalty and efficiency.

Mr. Rayen shows the trend of his political convictions by the staunch allegiance which he gives to the republican party. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he is an active member of the local Kiwanis Club, of which he has served as a director. He and his wife are zealous members of the Hillman Street Christian Church, in which he has been an elder and also chairman of its Official Board since 1915. He was formerly an official member of the Four Mile Run Christian Church in Mahoning County, this church having been founded in 1828, and having been one of the first Christian, or Disciples, churches established in the historic old Western Reserve. The home of Mr. Rayen is an attractive place at the corner of Princeton and Oak Hill avenues, and there he has found both recreation and pleasure in the cultivation of his fine garden and the propagation of a great variety of flowers and ornamental shrubs.

On the 5th of September, 1894, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Rayen and Miss Caddie Kyle, who was born at Youngstown, in the year 1875, and who is a representative of one of the sterling pioneer families of this now large and important industrial city. She is a daughter of Wesley and Ann (Kerr) Kyle, both likewise natives of Youngstown. Of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Rayen the eldest is Marion Rachel, who was born in 1895 and who still remains at the parental home; Dorris E., who was born May 29, 1897, is the wife of Dr. Walter Strand, a representative physician and surgeon in Youngstown; and James Wendell, youngest of the children, was born January 4, 1908.

A. Weston Hartford, who now holds the position of assistant commissioner of railroads in the City of Youngstown, Mahoning County, has had many years of active association with railroad service, in which his efficiency won him promotion to various positions of large responsibility.

Mr. Hartford was born in the City of Detroit, Michigan, in the year 1867, and there he attended the public schools until he was sixteen years of age. He is a son of the late John and Agnes Ann (Hunter) Hartford, the former of whom was born in one of the New England States and the latter in Ireland, they having become early settlers in the State of Michigan. After his school days Mr. Hartford applied himself to such varied occupations as were within his power to find and follow, and at the age of twenty-one years he initiated his railroad career in the capacity of brakeman on what is now the Pere Marquette Railroad in Michigan. Three years later

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he was advanced to the position of train conductor, and his service in this capacity continued eleven years. He then became a conductor on the Detroit, Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor & Jackson Electric Railroad, with which he continued his service until 1906. In that year he came to Youngstown, Ohio, and became conductor on the Youngstown Suburban Railroad, which then utilized steam power. After the electric system was adopted by the road he served as dispatcher and assistant superintendent until 1912, when he was made general manager. This office he resigned in October, 1921, and he then organized the Hartford Piston Company, to the affairs of which he continued to give his attention until January, 1923, when he assumed his present office, that of assistant railroad commissioner of Youngstown, a position for which he is eminently qualified by past technical and executive experience.

Mr. Hartford is a republican, he and his wife hold membership in Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, he is a director of the local Kiwanis Club, and is affiliated with Youngstown Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

In November, 1900, Mr. Hartford wedded Miss Edith Phillips, who was born at Windsor, Ontario, Canada, on the Detroit River and directly opposite the City of Detroit, Michigan, and who is a daughter of William and Isabel Phillips, the former a native of England and the latter of Ontario, Canada. Harold Weston, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Hartford, died at the age of five years.

William Edward Jones has been a resident of Youngstown, Mahoning County, the greater part of the time since he was a lad of twelve years. Here he learned in his youth the trade of carriage trimmer, and he found his technical knowledge and skill of equal value after the carriage had been almost entirely replaced by the automobile. In the handling of all kinds of trimming work on automobiles Mr. Jones has built up in Youngstown a substantial and prosperous business, and erected and owns the building in which his manufacturing and repair work is carried on with the best of modern facilities.

Mr. Jones was born in Staffordshire, England, in the year 1867, and about twelve years later, in 1879, he accompanied his parents to the United States, the family home having immediately been established at Youngstown, Ohio. He is a son of Lewis and Priscilla (Green) Jones, and his father was a skilled artisan in connection with the steel and iron industry, with which he was long identified in the capacity of puddler in the steel mills at Youngstown, where he died in 1923, at the age of eighty-four years and six months, and where his widow, now eighty-five years of age (1924), is a loved member of the family circle of her son William E. of this review, she being a devout communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as was also her husband, and his faith being virtually that of the Church of England, in which they originally had membership.

The earlier educational discipline of William E. Jones was acquired in the schools of his native land, and he continued to attend school for a time after the family home was established at Youngstown. At the age of fifteen years he entered upon his apprenticeship to the trade of carriage-trimmer, and after becoming a skilled workman he continued to follow his trade until the advent of automobiles, when he made a prompt adaptation of his work to meet the new conditions. In the capacity of trimmer he was employed in various automobile shops in the City of Cleveland, and upon his return to Youngstown in 1913 he opened a shop of his own on Garfield Street. Since 1917 he has maintained his well equipped establishment in the substantial cement-block building which he erected for the purpose at 170 West Chalmers Avenue, this building being 30 by 40 feet in dimensions and constituting the stage of a vigorous and prosperous business enterprise.

Mr. Jones is independent in politics, is affiliated with the local Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council bodies of the York Rite Masonry, as well as with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he is a member also of the engaging Youngstown organization known as the Coon Hunters. He and family are earnest communicants of Saint Andrew's Church, Protestant Episcopal.

In the year 1897 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Jones and Miss Emma Davis, who was born in Wales and who was a daughter of Thomas H. and Jane (Danks) Davis. Mr. and Mrs. Jones became the parents of three children, of whom the first, Duane, died in infancy; Edith M. is the wife of Henry Bennett, of Youngstown; and Miss Lillian remains at the parental home. Mrs. Jones died in June, 1908.

Roy Gillilan Werner, M. D. In the special field of surgical gynecology and obstetrical practice few physicians of Ohio are better or more favorably known than Dr. Roy Gillilan Werner, of Akron. A man of highly specialized training and broad experience, during the period that he has been engaged in practice he has attained a high place in his profession and in the confidence and esteem of a large and important practice.

Doctor Werner was born at Williamsport, Ohio, June 26, 1883, and is a son of Samuel Philip and Cordella (Morgan) Werner. His father, born in Virginia, in 1850, was educated in the public schools of his native state, and in young manhood located at Williamsport, where he engaged in mercantile pursuits. Later he moved to Deer Creek and in 1905 to Columbus, where he continued his business operations until his death in 1920. He was one of the prominent citizens of his community, was well known in Masonry and was a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which also belonged Mrs. Werner, a native of Ross County, Ohio, who survives her husband as a resident of Columbus. They were the parents of two children.

Roy G. Werner secured his early education in the public schools of Pickaway County, Ohio, and later pursued a course at the Ohio Northern College at Ada. He entered upon his career as a school teacher and rose to be superintendent of schools of Monroe Township, Pickaway County, and with the means thus gained was able to continue his education. He graduated from the Ohio State University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts June 23, 1909, and then again took up his duties as an educator, from 1909 until 1911 being a teacher of physics and chemistry at the Parkersburg, West Virginia, High School. From 1911 he was a student at Johns Hopkins University, from which he was graduated June 8, 1915, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, and engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery at Parkersburg. His career was temporarily interrupted by the World war, for on October 24, 1918, he received his commission as first lieutenant in the United States Army Medical Corps and was sent to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, Base Hospital No. 1, in the surgical sections. He remained there until December 29, 1918, when he was transferred to New York City, there engaging in transporting wounded soldiers on hospital trains from the port of their arrival to various hospitals all over the United States. On June 23, 1919, he was honorably discharged from the United States service and returned to Parkersburg. In November, 1920, he located at Akron, where he has since been engaged in surgical gynecology and obstetrical practice. He has built up a large private practice, and is also on the

surgical staff of the City Hospital, in addition to which he practices at the People's Hospital and the Children's Hospital. Since June, 1921, he has been chief medical examiner, Akron District, United States Veterans Bureau. He belongs to the Summit County Medical Society, the Sixth Ohio District Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. His chief diversion is music, of which he is a thorough appreciator and an able critic. He belongs to the Masonic Club, the Shrine Club, the Aesculapian Club; Williamsport Lodge, No. 501, Free and Accepted Masons; thirty-second degree Scottish Rite; West Virginia Consistory No. 1, and Nemesis Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Parkersburg, West Virginia.

On April 18, 1921, Doctor Werner was united in marriage with Miss Clare Hoon, of Marietta, Ohio. They have no children. Mrs. Werner is a member of the Woman's City Club of Akron, the Ladies' Oriental Shrine of Cleveland, Ohio, and the Akron Oriental Shrine Club. She is a member of the First Congregational Church of Marietta, Ohio, the oldest church in the state.

Edward McMillan Fischer is one of the successful and popular exponents of floriculture and business in the City of Youngstown, where, in partnership with Carl G. Burkland, he conducts one of the largest and most important enterprises of this kind in Mahoning County.

Mr. Fischer was born at New Castle, Pennsylvania, in the year 1869, and is a son of William D. and Ellen (Leslie) Fischer, both likewise natives of the old Keystone State. William D. Fischer was born and reared in the vicinity of New Castle, and became a successful representative of the market-gardening industry in that locality, his death having occurred in September, 1923, after he had attained to the patriarchal age of ninety-three years.

He whose name initiates this review is indebted to the public schools of Pennsylvania for his youthful education, and at the age of seventeen years he was admitted to partnership in his father's market-gardening business and also in the florist business, his brothers likewise being associated with the well established and prosperous business long conducted under the family name at New Castle.

In the year 1906 Mr. Fischer came to Youngstown, Ohio, where for the ensuing three years he was in the employ of John Walker, florist. He then formed the partnership with Carl G. Burkland, and, with modern and well equipped headquarters at 3514 Market Street, they now control a large and flourishing business in the handling of all kinds of cut flowers and decorative plants, their greenhouses having an area of 50,000 square feet of glass and the business being now the most important of the kind in the city. The enterprise is almost exclusively of retail order, and the clientage of the firm is of representative and appreciative order.

Mr. Fischer is a liberal and progressive citizen and substantial business man, is a republican in politics, is prominently identified with the time-honored Masonic fraternity, in which he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he and his wife are active members of the Evergreen Presbyterian Church.

The year 1900 recorded the marriage of Mr. Fischer and Miss Mollie Cromwell, who likewise was born and reared at New Castle, Pennsylvania, and who is a daughter of John Cromwell. Mr. and Mrs. Fischer have one son, Edward, who was born in June, 1911.

George Taylor Evans, the efficient and popular superintendent of the Mahoning Valley Water Company, which provides the industrial water supply to his native city of Youngstown, was one of the gallant young men who represented Mahoning County in the nation's service in the World war, he having been a member of the United States Navy and having had broad and varied experience in connection with the hazardous operations of the navy's submarine chasers.

Mr. Evans was born at Youngstown, on the 9th of February, 1897, and is a son of Frederick G. and Clara (Taylor) Evans, the former of whom likewise was born at Youngstown, where he has been for many years successfully engaged in the insurance business. Frederick G. Evans is a son of Mason and Lucy G. (Gering) Evans, the former of whom was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the latter at Youngstown, Ohio. Mason Evans became one of the prominent and influential citizens and business men of Youngstown, where he was president of the Commercial Bank and also of the Mahoning Valley Water Company at the time of his death, in December, 1921, his widow being still a resident of this city. Edward and Louisa (Holly) Taylor, maternal grandparents of the subject of this review, now maintain their home at LaPorte, Indiana, where Mr. Taylor is the owner of the business conducted under the title of the Niles & Scott Manufacturing Company.

In the public schools of Youngstown George Taylor Evans continued his studies until his graduation from the Rayen High School, as a member of the class of 1915. He then took a position in the office of the Mahoning Valley Water Company, but soon subordinated interests to the call of patriotism. In April, 1917, the month that marked America's entrance into the World war, Mr. Evans enlisted for service in the United States Navy, in which, five months later, he was advanced to the rank of ensign and assigned command of a submarine chaser. With this vessel he worked out of the port of Queenstown, Ireland, until December, 1918, when his vessel became part of the mine-sweeping detachment operating in the North Sea. A few months later he accompanied his command to Plymouth, England, and thence went to France and Portugal. He made the return voyage to the United States by the way of the Azores and the Island of Bermuda, and he arrived at his home in Youngstown on the 19th of June, 1919. He still continued membership in the Naval Reserve until May, 1921, when he was honorably discharged, with the rank of ensign. He has since continued his effective administration as superintendent of the Mahoning Valley Water Company, and is a popular figure in both business and social circles in his native city.

Mr. Evans is found loyally aligned in the ranks of the republican party, is an active member of the Youngstown Chamber of Commerce and the local Rotary Club, and besides being affiliated with the American Legion he has membership in the Submarine Chaser Club of New York City. He and his wife are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Youngstown.

In February, 1920, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Evans and Miss Mary Louise Snyder, daughter of George B. and Nettie W. (Walters) Snyder, of Youngstown, and the one child of this union is a fine little son, George T., Jr.

William O. Brown. Business manager of the Youngstown Vindicator, William O. Brown is the grandson of one of the pioneers in the iron and steel industry of the Youngstown district, and the early years of his own career were identified with that business.

His grandfather was Nathaniel E. Brown, and his parents were James A. and Martha J. (Martin) Brown. James A. Brown was born at New Castle, Pennsylvania, in 1852, and for some years lived at

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Portsmouth, Ohio, where he was a bank cashier. On returning to Youngstown in 1878 he occupied the old home of Nathaniel E. Brown, who had been one of the founders of the famous Brown-Bonnell mills. With this well known institution of the iron and steel industry James Brown was himself identified for about twenty years. He died at Youngstown in 1905, survived by his widow and two sons, William O. and Frank L.

William O. Brown has lived in Youngstown since infancy. Graduating from the Rayen High School in 1897, he spent several years in the iron and steel mills, but in 1902 joined the business department of that old and influential newspaper of the Mahoning Valley, the Youngstown Vindicator. He was assistant business manager for several years and since then business manager.

Mr. Brown is a republican, and has membership in the Youngstown Club, Youngstown Country Club, Chamber of Commerce, Young Men's Christian Association and he is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. He married, September 9, 1903, Miss Alma M. Maag. They have two children, Elizabeth Martha and James William.

Daniel Webster Brown gained varied experience and no little fame as a newspaper cartoonist, and the successful record which he made in this connection begot in him that permanent liking for journalism that eventually led him to engage independently in newspaper publishing, he being now the president of the corporation which owns and publishes the Youngstown Citizen, a well ordered and popular paper that is issued on Friday of each week and that has a large and representative circulation in Youngstown and the territory tributary to this vital industrial city.

Mr. Brown was born at Akron, Ohio, January 28, 1876, when that now important city was little more than a village. He is a son of Daniel Wilson Brown and Clara C. (Hardy) Brown, both likewise natives of Summit County, Ohio, and both representatives of families there founded in an early day. The paternal grandparents of him whose name introduces this review were James R. and Eliza Brown, the former of whom was born in Summit County and the latter in Canada. The maternal grandparents, William H. and Elvira M. (Dales) Hardy, were lifelong residents of Summit County.

Mr. Brown was but eighteen months old at the time of his mother's death, and he was reared in the home of his maternal grandparents. He profited by the advantages of the public schools of his native county and also attended Buchtel College, which is now Akron University. While attending school he gave attention also to the study of architectual art and science, and also had a goodly experience in farm work, with which he continued to be identified until he attained to his legal majority. In the meanwhile he had well developed his natural talent as an artist, and he put this talent into effective play when he became a cartoonist on the Akron Democrat, with which he thus continued his alliance two years. The following year he held a similar position with the Akron Beacon Journal, and his next association was with the Canton Democrat, at the county seat of Stark County. Thereafter he gave effective service about one year as a cartoonist for the Cleveland Press, and his next experience was that of cartoonist with the Boston Post, during a period of eighteen months. He then returned from the Massachusetts metropolis to Akron, and soon afterward removed to Youngstown, where for three and one-half years he was allied with the Youngstown Telegram and with the Youngstown Vindicator one year. He then accepted the position of advertising manager for the Republic Rubber Company, with which important industrial corporation he thus continued his connection eight and one-half years. In the meantime he founded the Youngstown Citizen, the destinies of which he effectively guided, and when a company was incorporated for continuing the publication under broader policies he became president of the company, which executive post he has since retained. E. A. Watkins is the vice president and William Myers the secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Brown has taken lively interest in military affairs since he was sixteen years old, he having then enlisted in the Ohio State Militia and having won appointment to the office of sergeant major under Charles F. Dick and Charles C. Weybreacht, the latter of whom was major of the Eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry in the period of the Spanish-American war. Mr. Brown accompanied his command to Cuba, where he was in active service a few months, his honorable discharge having been granted him at the close of the war on Cuban soil. In connection with American participation in the World war Mr. Brown helped organize for service as home guard the Youngstown Infantry Regiment, and after the close of the war he received his honorable discharge as major of the Fourth Battalion, which he commanded. While an active member of the Ohio National Guard he was several times called into active service in connection with quelling disorder in connection with strikes and riots.

The principles of the republican party receive the loyal support of Mr. Brown. He has passed the various official chairs, including that of exalted ruler, in Youngstown Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, he is past master of Saint Albans Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and is at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1924, an official of Ashlar Chapter, and he is also a member of the Knights of Malta.

In November, 1898, was recorded the marriage of Mr. Brown and Miss Susan O. Auble, who likewise was born at Akron, this state, she being a daughter of John H. and Harriet (Day) Auble, the latter's father having been a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have four children, Dorothy, Edwin W., John W. and Ruth E. All of the children remain at the parental home except Dorothy, who is the wife of Hubert Westcott, of this city, their two children being Theodore and Helen Jean.

Thomas Edward McShaffrey. The T. E. McShaffrey Construction Company is the largest and oldest firm of general contractors and engineers at Akron, dating back thirty years, to 1894, when the business was conducted by Edward McShaffrey. Later came the organization known as E. McShaffrey & Son, and then the present company was incorporated in 1916, with Thomas E. McShaffrey as president.

Edward McShaffrey was born in Ireland, in 1850, came to America in 1860, and at Akron became a sewer builder, gradually extending his activities into various lines of general contracting. Subsequently he took in his son as partner, and in 1912 he retired, selling out his interests to his son. Edward McShaffrey married Margaret Magrath, who was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1852, a daughter of Thomas Magrath, who for fifty years was a sailor on British ships, and after retiring from the sea, spent his last days at Akron. His daughter Margaret learned typesetting, proofreading and book-binding in Dublin, and was the first woman in Akron to follow those callings in a professional way. She was for several years employed in the office of the old Akron-Beacon. She died in February, 1916.

Thomas Edward McShaffrey was born at Akron, January 16, 1876, and during his boyhood attended parochial schools. When he was twelve years of age he went to work, at first for the Diamond Match

Company, then in the plant of the Beacon Journal, following which for seventeen years he was connected with the Whitman & Barnes Manufacturing Company, part of the time as machinist and also as a department foreman. In the meantime he had continued his studies, taking several commercial college courses and also courses in mechanical drawing and technical arts that would serve him in his chosen vocation as an engineer and contractor.

It was in 1905 that he joined his father in the firm of E. McShaffrey & Son, general contractors, and with his accession to the business its volume of work rapidly increased. Since 1913 he has been sole proprietor, and his personal energies have been chiefly responsible for making the T. E. McShaffrey Construction Company the largest business of its kind at Akron. His organization has handled hundreds of important contracts, some of the earlier of which involved a construction of the main steel water line from Kent to Akron; a sewage disposal plant at Akron; hundreds of miles of city streets and country highway paving, and many industrial buildings for the Goodrich, Goodyear and Firestone Rubber Companies and other concerns. During the World war the resources of the company were taxed to the utmost in handling contracts for the Government and official war industries. The company has hundreds of men in its employ, and has a large investment in machinery and facilities. The organization is equipped to handle the largest contracts in general building work, pile driving, sewer, water main and paving construction, railroad building, steam shovel work involving foundation excavation, grading, constructing of coffer dams and bridges. Mr. McShaffrey is also president of the City Laundry & Cleaning Company. He is a member of the City Club, the Portage Country Club, the Silver Lake Country Club, and is active in the St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church. His fraternal affiliations are with Akron Council, No. 547, Knights of Columbus; Akron Aerie No. 555, the Fraternal Order of Eagles; Akron Lodge, No. 363, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he is president of Division No. 1 of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He has been for some years a leader in the republican party in his home county and state. During the World war he was recommended by the United States Senate for a commission as captain of engineers in the Officers' Reserve Corps. Mr. McShaffrey is a stockholders in the First Trust & Savings Bank and the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company of Akron.

He married Miss Rose Gilbride, of Ravenna, Ohio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gilbride, who were born in Ireland. Two sons, Francis and Vincent, both now deceased, and three daughters, Regina, Rita and Alice, all living, were born to the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. McShaffrey.

Lester F. Donnell, treasurer and assistant manger of the B. P. Higby Company, which has in the City of Youngstown the authorized agency for the sale of the Ford automobiles, was born at Lincoln, Nebraska, on the 28th of May, 1892, and is a son of Edgar and Rose (Dickhover) Donnell, the father having died in the following year, 1893. The mother still resides in Omaha, Nebraska.

In the public schools of Omaha Lester Fred Donnell continued his studies until he had profited measurably by the advantages of the high school, which he left before graduation. At the age of fifteen years he took the position of office boy with the Nebraska Telephone Company, and later he became bookkeeper and billing clerk for the Paxton & Gallagher Company, one of the leading business concerns of Omaha. After remaining with this company nearly five years he took the position of bookkeeper in the offices of the Ford Motor Company branch agency at Omaha, and his services were in time amplified to include his interposition as cashier, road representative and auditor of this branch agency. He finally was called to the home office of the Ford Motor Company, Detroit, Michigan, and after one year of effective service as traveling auditor he became assistant manager of the Gordon Square Automobile Company, Ford dealers at Cleveland, Ohio. Seven months later he became supervising traveling auditor for the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, and after retaining this position two years he finally formed his present important alliance, which has involved his specially constructive administration as treasurer and assistant manager of the B. P. Higby Company.

Mr. Donnell is known as a wide-awake and progressive young business man, and is an active member of the Youngstown Chamber of Commerce and the Exchange Club and also of the Mahoning Valley Country Club. In politics he classifies himself an independent republican, and he is a member of the Christian Science Church. In Detroit, Michigan, he retains his affiliation with the Blue Lodge and Chapter of York Rite Masonry, and at Youngstown he is a member of the Council of Royal and Select Masters and the Commandery of Knights Templars.

Harold D. Green, who is prominently identified with the automobile business in the City of Youngstown, where he is secretary of the B. P. Higby Company, authorized dealers in the all-popular Ford automobiles in the territory tributary to Mahoning County's vital metropolis and judicial center, can claim ancestral affiliation with Ohio, though he was born in Illinois and was reared in Nebraska.

Mr. Green was born at Crystal Lake, McHenry County, Illinois, on the 8th of July, 1879, and in the following year his parents moved to Nebraska and established their residence at Lincoln, the capital city of that commonwealth. He is a son of DeForrest and Sophia (Munshaw) Green, the former of whom was born in Ashtabula County, Ohio, and the latter in the vicinity of the City of Toronto, Canada. The parents still maintain their home at Lincoln, Nebraska, where the father holds the position of cashier for the Searle & Chapin Lumber Company.

In the high school of the capital city of Nebraska Harold D. Green was graduated as a member of the class of 1900, and thereafter he was there associated four years with the lumber business of which his father was an official. He next became a traveling salesman for the Carpenter Paper Company of Omaha, Nebraska, with whom he remained for fourteen years. It was in 1919 that he came to Youngstown, Ohio, and formed an alliance with the B. P. Higby Company, of which he is the secretary, he having contributed much to the development of the substantial business of this company.

Mr. Green is found loyally aligned in the ranks of the republican party, and is a popular and active member of the Commercial Club of Youngstown. In Masonry he is affiliated with the Blue Lodge Chapter and Knights Templar Commandery in Lincoln, Nebraska, where also he has membership in Sesostris Temple of the Mystic Shrine. At Youngstown his Masonic affiliations are with the Grotto of Veiled Prophets and with the Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

September 14, 1904, recorded the marriage of Mr. Green and Miss Leona Stambaugh, who was born at Trenton, Missouri, a daughter of Charles and Mae (Wallingford) Stambaugh, the latter of whom is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Green have no children. Mrs. Green is a popular factor in the social activities of Youngstown, and is here an active member of the Christian Science Church.

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Beecher P. Higby, who for some years has been successfully identified with the automobile business, has been a resident of Youngstown for a decade.

He was born at Omaha, Nebraska, in 1889, and his parents, Beecher and Cassie (Van Horn) Higby were also natives of Nebraska. His father was a contractor, and was city clerk and otherwise officially identified with Omaha.

Beecher P. Higby attended the Omaha High School and when seventeen years of age went out to Wyoming as an employe of the engineering department of the Union Pacific Railroad. He was in the far West until 1911, having a varied experience, including work as a cowboy on a cattle ranch. He began selling Ford cars at Omaha, and came to Youngstown in 1915 as a Ford salesman. Subsequently he organized the Higby Sales Company, which became the authorized agency for the Ford motor cars and other products in Youngstown.

Mr. Higby is a Mason, Knight of Pythias, a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He married in 1914 Edith Stambaugh, daughter of Charles B. Stambaugh. She died November 26, 1918, leaving one son, Philip Dee.

Jacob F. Giering became a resident of Youngstown, Ohio, in the year following that of his birth, which occurred at New Castle, Pennsylvania, on the 27th of July, 1869. His parents, Louis and Mary (Andler) Giering, were born and reared in Wurttemberg, Germany, where their marriage was solemnized and whence they came in 1864 to the United States and establishing their residence at New Castle, Pennsylvania, the father having there continued to follow his trade, that of cooper, until 1870, when he came with his family to Ohio and established himself in the cooperage business in Youngstown, which then gave slight semblance of the important industrial city which it is to-day. He developed a substantial business in the manufacturing of barrels, casks and similar products, and the enterprise grew to such scope as to require his employment of several workmen. He eventually expanded the enterprise to include the manufacturing and distributing of wine, and various aerated beverages now commonly designated as "soft drinks," besides adding to his business a general bottling works. He was long numbered among the sterling and successful business men of Youngstown, and was one of its venerable and honored citizens at the time of his death, in 1914. His widow, now (1924) eighty-eight years of age, still maintains her home in Youngstown. She is an earnest member of the German Reformed Church, as was also her husband.

Jacob F. Giering attended the public schools of Youngstown until he was twelve years old, and thereafter attended night schools and a business college, in the meanwhile being closely associated with his father's business and familiarizing himself with its varied details. Thus he was well fortified for the successful continuing of the business when he purchased the same from his father, in 1896. He carried forward the enterprise until 1912, when he sold the same to his brother, the late Charles C. Giering, to whom a memoir is dedicated on other pages of this publication. Six months later he purchased property in the City of Alliance, Stark County, where he erected and equipped a bottling plant and operated the same two years. He then sold the property and business and returned to Youngstown. Here he became associated with his brother, Charles C., in building the local Coca Cola Plant on Mahoning Avenue, as a subsidiary of the bottling works owned by his brother and founded by their father. After two years the brothers sold the property on Mahoning Avenue and removed the plant to Sharon, Pennsylvania. After having there conducted the business three months Jacob F. Giering returned to Youngstown, but he soon made a visit to California, and upon coming back to Youngstown he assumed charge of the old established bottling works with which the family name had long been identified, his brother Charles C., owner of the business, having died February 11, 1923. On the 1st of January, 1924, Mr. Giering incorporated this business, under the title of the J. F. Giering Bottling Company, and of this corporation he has since been the president, while Clyde E. Wood holds the dual office of secretary and treasurer. The company is incorporated with a capital stock of $50,000 for the manufacturing, bottling and distributing of carbonated beverages, the trade of the company having been extended throughout the greater part of Eastern Ohio.

Mr. Giering is a loyal and public-spirited citizen, is a democrat in political allegiance, and is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of the Golden Eagle. For more than thirty years he sang with the Youngstown Mannerchor, and of this fine organization he is still a member. He and his family hold membership in the German Reformed Church.

In 1892 Mr. Giering was united in marriage with Miss Rachel Barnickle, who was born and reared at Sharon, Pennsylvania, and they have one son and five daughters: Julia is the wife of William Holtzman, of Youngstown; Gertrude is the wife of Merritt Sharp, and they reside at Long Beach, California; Helen is the wife of Ernest Keller, of Youngstown; Carrie is the wife of Russell Landale, of this city; Dorothy, who remains at the parental home, is a graduate nurse and is following the work of her profession, and Alfred is associated with his father's business.

Walter Franklin Kirn. While his successful business record covers a period of over thirty-five years, the most impressive part of the record of Walter Franklin Kirn is his many active associations with organizations and movements that have been responsible for Akron's development as one of the best cities in Ohio.

Mr. Kirn was born November 22, 1868, at 412 East Exhange Street in Akron, the old homestead in which he has lived the most years of his life and which was acquired by his father, John M. Kirn. His father was born in Germany, in 1822, came to America and located in Akron about 1841, and as a carpenter became permanently identified with the early buildings and for a number of years was a contractor. He died August 22, 1878. After coming to Akron he married Catherine Angne, who was born in Germany in 1828. She died June 2, 1895.

Walter Franklin Kirn, the eighth in a family of nine children, graduated with the last class in the old Akron High School, attended business college and learned his trade with John Robb, the pioneer plumber of Akron. For some years he was associated with the firm of Kraus & Oberlin, and in 1895 became a member of Kraus, Kirn & Company, a business that was later incorporated as the Kraus-Kirn Company. Mr. Kirn in 1913 formed a co-partnership with a John H. Shuman, known as the Kirn & Shuman Plumbing & Heating Company, which continued until the death of Mr. Shuman in February, 1924, which brought to a close a remarkable friendship extending over a period of thirty-six years. This company has all the facilities for the highest class of work and the largest contracts in heating and plumbing. Mr. Kirn is also a director of the Standard Savings Bank, a partner in W. J. Evans & Company, shoe merchants, and was a director of the Akron Trade Credit Association.

A brief list of his civic connections will indicate the wide scope of his activities. He is former president

of the Summit County Health Protective Association, was a vigorous advocate of the Anti-Tuberculosis Work and Open Air School, the Children's Playground Movement, served twice as president of the Spicertown Civic Association, has been a member of the Water Works Investigation Committee, was on the first City Charter Commission, and also a member of the commission that perfected the present city charter. He is treasurer of the Akron Master Plumbers' Association, served twice as president of the State Association and has been a member of the Board of Directors of the National Master Plumbers' Association. He acted as Federal fair price commissioner for Summit County and was a member of the Akron Home Guards and worked in conjunction with the police department and the National Council of Defense in handling war emergency matters. In 1923 he was a member of the Akron Board of Education. Mr. Kirn is a republican and a director of the Akron Automobile Club, director of the Portage Fish and Game Association, director of the Ohio and Pennsylvania Rod and Gun Club, hunting and fishing being his chief recreation. He is a past chancellor commander of Aetolia Lodge, No. 24, Knights of Pythias, a member of Nemo Lodge, No. 746, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, a member of the Congress Lake Country Club and the Luna Lake Club. Mrs. Kirn is prominent in the Woman's City Club and the Auxiliary of the Master Plumbers' Association.

Mr. Kirn married, February 21, 1905, Gertrude Haggerty, daughter of Horace Haggerty, of Akron. The three children of their marriage are Walter Norris, Theodore Ivan and Dorothy Elizabeth.

Charles C. Giering was a resident of Youngstown, Mahoning County, during his entire life. Here he became successful in his business activities, and here he so ordered his course as to merit and receive the confidence and esteem of the community that ever represented his home and to which he was loyal in the fullest sense.

Mr. Giering was born at Youngstown on the 27th of November, 1876, and here his death occurred February 11, 1923. He was a son of Louis and Mary (Andler) Giering and his father long operated bottling works in Youngstown as one of the substantial and honored citizens of the Mahoning County metropolis. The subject of this memoir attended the public schools until he was thirteen years old, and thereafter, while employed in his father's bottling works, advanced his education by attending night school, besides completing a course in a business college. At the age of twenty-two years he purchased a half interest in the bottling works of his brother Jacob, and this fraternal and business partnership continued twelve years. Charles C. then purchased his brother's interest, and thereafter he successfully conducted the business in an individual way until shortly before his death. He was a director of the Ohio State Bottlers Association, and held various official positions in this organization. He was a valued member of the Youngstown Chamber of Commerce and was a charter member of the Youngstown Automobile Association. In the York Rite of the Masonic fraternity his maximum affiliation was with the local commandery of Knights Templars and in the Consistory of the Scottish Rite at Cleveland he received the thirty-second degree, besides being a noble of the Mystic Shrine. He was affiliated also with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Fraternal Orders of Eagles. In politics he was a democrat with independent proclivities, and in his native city he was an active member of the First Reformed Church, as is also his widow.

September 6, 1913, marked the marriage of Mr. Giering and Miss Lottie Meredith, who was born at Marietta, Ohio, April 3, 1887, and who is a daughter of George and Amy (Carver) Meredith, both of whom likewise are natives of Ohio, where they now maintain their home in the City of Springfield. Mr. Giering is survived also by three children, whose names and respective dates of birth are here recorded: Louis Jacob, August 24, 1914; Alice Marie, July 9, 1916; and Charles Noble, November 3, 1922. The devoted husband and father died about three months after the birth of the younger of the two sons.

Joseph M. Adams is one of the substantial business men of his native city of Youngstown, where he is treasurer and manager of the Garland Block & Sand Company, which controls a large and prosperous business in the manufacturing of concrete blocks for architectural uses and in the handling of sand and gravel. In the busier summer season the company retains an average force of about twenty-five employes, and in the winters but slight reduction is made in this force.

Mr. Adams was born at Youngstown, on the 4th of March, 1877, and is a son of Adam and Minnie (Grim) Adams, who were children at the time of the immigration of the respective families from Germany to the United States, both having been reared in Youngstown and their marriage having here been solemnized. Adam Adams gave the major part of his active career to the stone-quarry industry, and since his death, in 1902, his widow has continued to maintain her home in Youngstown, where she is an earnest communicant of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, as was also her husband.

The early education of Joseph M. Adams was acquired in the parochial and public schools of Youngstown, and as a lad of fifteen years he gained his initiatory experience in farm work, to which he continued to give his attention four years. Thereafter he was independently engaged in the stone-quarry business seven years, and during the ensuing sixteen years he was a successful mason contractor in his native city and county. He then became an active executive of the company of which he is now the treasurer and general manager, as noted in the opening paragraph of this review. In politics he supports men and measures, rather than being constrained by strict partisan lines, and he and his wife are zealous communicants of the parish of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

In August, 1900, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Adams and Miss Mary Riley, who was born in Pennsylvania and whose parents, John B. and Mary Riley, were born in Ireland. The home circle of Mr. and Mrs. Adams still includes all of their children, namely: Helen, Theresa, Estella, Theodore and William.

William P. Hughes. Modern methods have eliminated much of the drudgery of housekeeping and simplified the work of the homemaker. In nothing are these changes more apparent than in the removing from the home the burden of laundry work by the well organized concerns which perform this class of work efficiently and at modern prices. Youngstown is the home of a number of these concerns, but none of them stands any higher in popular favor than does the Youngstown Sanitary Laundry Company, of whom the capable general manager is William P. Hughes of this review, a practical man in the business.

William P. Hughes was born in South Wales, January 4, 1893, a son of David and Mary (Davis) Hughes, who, although they have made several trips of different duration to the United States, still reside in Wales, where he follows his calling as a mining engineer.

Carefully educated in his native land, William P. Hughes supplemented his high-school studies with a

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course in accountancy. In 1912 he came to Canada, and for two years served as office manager of a dairy business at Edmonton. In 1914 he came to Ohio, and for three months was bookkeeper for the East Ohio Gas Company of Youngstown, leaving that position to become chief clerk for the P. & O. Electric Company of this city. With the entry of this country into the World war he enlisted in the United States Army, and was assigned to the Three Hundred and Sixteenth Infantry. For the first month he was at Camp Meade, Maryland, but was then transferred to Fort Niagara, New York. A month later he was sent to Camp Raritan, New Jersey. Subsequently he was transferred to the intelligence branch of the service, and assigned to New York City, where he remained until in January, 1919, when he was honorably discharged as a first sergeant. Returning to Youngstown, he was with the Republic Rubber Company for six months as one of its credit men, and then became office manager of his present company. After a year he was made secretary and treasurer, and in 1923 became general manager.

On September 15, 1918, he married Miss Jane Williams, born at Youngstown, a daughter of W. P. and Mary (Owens) Williams, natives of Wales. Mr. Hughes is a republican. He belongs to the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church of Youngstown. His fraternal connections are with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Masonic Order, and he has been advanced in the latter through the thirty-second degree. He also belongs to the Lions Club, the Kiwanis Club and the Youngstown Auto Club, and is a thoroughly progressive man of many interests.

Frederick A. Douglas, editor of the Youngstown Vindicator, is one of the experienced newspaper men of Mahoning County, whose facile pen is wielded in support of public-spirited movements and the betterment of society. He was born at Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, October 30, 1860, the son of William and Henrietta (Newburg) Douglas. William Douglas was born in old Newburg, now Cleveland, Ohio, a son of William Douglas, a native of Virginia, who married a Miss Rice. Henrietta (Newburg) Douglas was born at Freeport, Harrison County, Ohio, a daughter of Frederick and Caroline Newburg, the latter a native of York, Pennsylvania, but the former was born at Amsterdam, Holland, where the family was known as Von Nieburg. He ran away from home and came to the United States to escape the compulsory military service, but after his arrival in this country became a soldier of the War of 1812. For many years William Douglas worked at his trade of wagon and carriage making at Cuyahoga Falls, but later in life moved to Tallmadge, Summit County, Ohio, and spent the remainder of his life on his farm there. He died December 1, 1903, aged seventy-two years. It was a source of pride to him that during his boyhood he drove the mules on the old canal with James A. Garfield, later President of the United States. His widow survived him until March 22, 1920, when she died at the age of seventy-six years. Their children were as follows: Carrie, who is the wife of Leon N. Sears, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Frederick A., whose name heads this review.

Frederick A. Douglas left the public schools at the age of fifteen years to enter the employ of the Cuyahoga Falls Reporter, in 1875, and has continued his connection with the printing business ever since. In 1881 he and Frederick H. Duffy founded the Cuyahoga Falls Journal, of which he continued editor for a year. At the termination of that period he went to Akron, Ohio, and for a few months was with the Warner Printing Company. For the subsequent year he had charge of the mailing list of the Gospel News of Cleveland, Ohio, and then, in May, 1893, he went to Salem, Ohio, and for the succeeding eight years was editor of the Daily News of that city. From there he went to Canton, Ohio, as editor of the News-Democrat, and in the fall of 1901 assumed his present responsibilities, and for nearly a quarter of a century has been with the Vindicator of Youngstown.

On February 3, 1886, Mr. Douglas married Miss Florence Estelle Holcomb, who was born at Huntington, Indiana, a daughter of George and Eliza A. (Galloway) Holcomb, both born in Summit County, Ohio, his birthplace being Twinsburg. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas have one daughter, Ethel Irene, who is the wife of Louis E. Geuss, mentioned elsewhere in this work. A Unitarian, Mr. Douglas was one of the incorporators of the First Unitarian Church of Youngstown, and served as chairman of its Board of Trustees for many years. A liberal in politics, he has served as clerk of Cuyahoga Falls, and has otherwise given a faithful support to his community.

Germanus Elvery Gardner, M. D. A physician and surgeon engaged in general practice and hospital work at Barberton, Doctor Gardner has had a successful experience in his profession, covering a period of more than thirty years. He is a native of Ohio, and has practiced in several different localities of the state.

He was born on a farm near Mount Vernon, in Knox County, August 26, 1866, his parents, John and Mary (Breckler) Gardner being also natives of the same county. His grandfather, Anthony Gardner, came from Alsace-Lorraine to Ohio in 1829, and for a time engaged in farming near Warwick and Clinton in Summit County, but in 1832 took up 300 acres of Government land in Knox County. It was on his old homestead that Doctor Gardner was born, and there his father, John Gardner, spent his active career as a farmer. John Gardner died April 6, 1914, at the age of seventy-two, and is survived by his widow.

Germanus Elvery Gardner had a farm as his early environment, attended country schools, spent three years in the Normal School at Danville, and subsequently entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated in the year 1891. Before taking up independent practice he spent the year 1891 as resident house physician at St. Francis Hospital at Columbus, and in 1892 was resident house physician of St. Anthony Hospital in the same city. Doctor Gardner for twelve years was engaged in general practice at Doylestown, and since then has been identified with Barberton. His work has brought him substantial recognition and he is a member of the staff of the Citizens' Hospital of Barberton and on the staff of the City and People's hospitals in Akron. He is also medical member of the board of directors of the Citizens' Hospital at Barberton, and is a member of the Barberton, Summit County, Sixth District, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

During the World war Doctor Gardner was commissioned a captain in the Army Medical Corps, and is now a captain in the Medical Officers' Reserve Corps. He is a member of the Akron City Club, the Benevolent and Protective Orders of Elks, is a fourth degree Knight of Columbus, one of the Board of Governors of the Brookside Country Club and a member of St. Augustine's Catholic Church.

He married at Doylestown, September 27, 1897, Miss Abbie M. Trotter, daughter of Joseph and Isabelle (Koehler) Trotter, her mother a native of Ohio and still living. Her father was born in the Tyrolean Alps in Austria, and died in 1918, at the age of seventy-two. Mrs. Gardner is active in the Akron Woman's Club and the Tuesday Musical Club. They have two daughters, Mary Isabelle and Edna. The former is a graduate of Trinity College at Washington, D. C.

Frank G. Silver, a public accountant, with offices in the Mahoning Bank Building at Youngstown, has built up an important clientage in his profession. His qualifications are based upon an unusually wide range of individual experience in many lines of business both in Ohio and in the eastern cities.

Mr. Silver represents an old family of the Mahoning Valley, and was born in Berlin Township, Mahoning County, February 5, 1861, son of Allen and Julia (Gee) Silver, who were born in the same locality. His grandparents, Adna Bradway and Lydia (Allen) Silver, were natives of New Jersey, where the former was born in 1800. They were married there about 1820, and their honeymoon was through the western wilderness to Mahoning County, Ohio, Adna B. walking and driving the team all the way. He was a blacksmith by trade, and in the early days made axes, which he marketed at Salem. He acquired considerable property. He and his wife were Quakers. The maternal grandparents of Frank G. Silver were Peter and Elmira (Day) Gee, the former a native of Ellsworth Township, Mahoning County, and the latter, of Connecticut, but was brought as a child by her parents to Deerfield Township. The father of Peter was a Methodist minister and one of the early representatives of that church in Mahoning County.

Allen Silver became a farmer in Berlin Township, and for some years was in the flour and feed business at Alliance, Ohio, where his wife died in 1892, at the age of fifty-six. He then returned to Mahoning County, and he died at Berlin in 1910. Of his two children his daughter, May, is now Mrs. William H. Kirkbride, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Frank G. Silver was educated in district schools, in the Canfield Union School, and at the age of seventeen took a commercial course at Mount Green College. His first experience was as a bookkeeper at the Globe Foundry and Machine Company at Niles, Ohio.

He married in February, 1883, Miss Julia Crowley, who was born in Youngstown, daughter of Thomas and Hannah Crowley. By this marriage there were two children: Warren U., of Cleveland, and Blossom, who is Mrs. Robert G. Lafferty, of Cleveland. Mr. Silver's second wife was Mary Morgan, a native of Youngstown, and she became the mother of one daughter, Virginia, of Hammond, Indiana.

After his marriage Mr. Silver remained at Niles as bookkeeper, spent three years as bookkeeper for the Girard Iron Company of Girard, Ohio, and in Youngstown for twenty-one years he had charge of the offices of the Briar Hill Iron and Coal Company. Resigning, he went to New York City and engaged in the hotel business for several years, was a broker in Philadelphia for nine years, and in 1915 located in Cleveland, where he became a traveling salesman. Returning to Youngstown in 1916, he has since conducted business as a public accountant, handling audits and doing other special work for a number of corporations and firms. He is a republican and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the United Commercial Travelers.

Dewitt A. Morrow. Few professions call for the exercise of so much tact and consideration as does that of mortician, for those engaged in this calling are brought into contact with people at a time when sorrow and affliction have prostrated them, and they require a consideration not demanded under ordinary conditions. The funeral director who meets the requirements of his patrons is the one whose services are most in demand, and Youngstown is the home of several men of high standing whose efforts have been concentrated in providing dignified and suitable surroundings for those claimed by death. One of them is DeWitt A. Morrow, manager for the old and reliable house of Orr & Son, funeral directors, and whose apprenticeship was passed under the watchful supervision of his maternal grandfather and uncle, prominent undertakers of Grove City, Pennsylvania.

DeWitt A. Morrow was born at Grove City, Pennsylvania, May 18, 1885, a son of David M. and Jessie (Black) Morrow, natives of Pennsylvania. For a number of years David M. Morrow was one of the leading merchants of Grove City, but he died in 1912, survived by his widow, who resides at Youngstown, Ohio.

While still attending the public schools of his native place DeWitt A. Morrow began working for his Grandfather Black, and continued with him and his uncle until 1905, during which time he learned his profession thoroughly. In that year he came to Youngstown, and, entering the employ of Orr & Son, has continued with this firm ever since, becoming, as before stated, its manager.

On December 23, 1908, Mr. Morrow was married to Miss Lizzie McKeown, who was born at Youngstown, a daughter of Andrew and Eliza Jane (McMasters) McKeown, both of whom were born near Belfast, County Antrim, Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Morrow have one son, Andrew Lee, who was born May 18, 1910. Mr. Morrow belongs to the United Presbyterian Tabernacle Church. In political matters he is independent, preferring to support the man rather than the party. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity, the Grotto, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Kiwanis Club, and served the latter body as a director during a period of three years.

Milton Emerson Hayes, M. D. Numbered among the experienced and skillful physicians and surgeons of Mahoning County, Dr. Milton Emerson Hayes enjoys a high professional and personal standing in his community, and is an active force in civic matters. He was born in Butler County, Pennsylvania, in September, 1867, a son of George Washington and Margaret E. (Glasgow) Hayes, natives of Pennsylvania. The paternal grandparents, William and Eliza (Williamson) Hayes, were natives of Butler County and Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, respectively, and came of Revolutionary stock. Eliza Williamson's father served under Admiral Perry in the battle of Lake Erie during the War of 1812. On the maternal side Doctor Hayes' grandparents were John and Mary Glasgow, of Irish descent. For many years George Washington Hayes was a carpenter contractor at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and he died in that city, in September, 1922, aged eighty-six years. The mother survives at the age of seventy-nine years, and is living at Youngstown.

After leaving the grade and high schools Doctor Hayes was a student of Smart Academy, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and then, entering Western University of that city, took his medical training. Following the securing of his degree Doctor Hayes began practicing his profession at Pittsburgh, and remained there until 1899, but in that year left that city for Youngstown, where he has since resided, and for a quarter of a century has been one of the active practitioners of Mahoning County. Of recent years he has specialized in urinary dermatology. His offices are at 306 Home Savings and Loan Building. In November, 1920, he was elected coroner of Mahoning County, and is the nominee of the republican party for the same office. During the late war he served on Draft Board Number 2 of Mahoning County, and otherwise made himself useful in local war work. Professionally he maintains membership with the county and state medical societies. He is unmarried. Since 1889 Doctor Hayes has been a spiritualist, and for a number of years was librarian of the First Church Spiritualist of Pittsburgh, which was organized in 1878, Doctor Hayes' parents being among the organizers. Very

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high in Masonry, Doctor Hayes has been the recipient of honors in the different bodies of his order, and is past master of the Blue Lodge, past high priest of the Chapter, and he is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner. He also belongs to the Sons and Daughters of Liberty, the Lions Club and the Shrine Club.

Fred I. Sloane has spent his life in Ohio, living for many years in one of the southern counties of the state, and since 1914 in Youngstown, where he is superintendent of one of the cemeteries of the city.

He was born at Ironton, Ohio, April 9, 1876, son of Nathan P. and Matilda A. (Colier) Sloane, his father a native of Liberty, Kentucky, and his mother of Lawrence County, Ohio. Nathan Sloane spent many years of his life as superintendent of the Woodland cemetery at Ironton, and died in July, 1893. His widow still lives at Ironton. Fred I. Sloane had a public school education, and as a youth began assisting his father and learned all details of the care and management of the cemetery. After the death of his father he took charge of the cemetery at Ironton, he being then about seventeen years of age. They shared the responsibility together until 1907, when his brother, Edward A. Sloane, became and has since been superintendent of the cemetery at Marion, Ohio, where President Harding is buried. After 1907 Fred I. Sloane remained in charge of the Woodland cemetery until August, 1914, when he resigned and came to Youngstown.

He became superintendent of the Belmont Cemetery, resigning in March, 1922, to act as manager of the Tod Homestead Cemetery. This is one of the beautiful cities of the dead in Eastern Ohio, and the land contained in the cemetery was once the homestead of the famous Civil war veterans of Ohio, David Tod.

Mr. Sloane married in July, 1910, Clara L. Gabler, a native of Ironton and daughter of John and Lydia (Duis) Gabler, also natives of Ohio, and of German parentage. The four children of Mr. and Mrs. Sloane are Jean Lucile, Matilda Louise, Betty Jane and Jack Frederick. Mr. Sloane is a member of St. John's Episcopal Church, is a republican, and in Masonry is affiliated with Lake Erie Consistory of Scottish Rites and Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine of Cleveland.

W. D. McCreary is a Youngstown business man whose experience has been largely in technical fields and for several years he has handled electrical accessories and represented the Prest-O-Lite Company, acytelene gas and storage batteries.

He was born in Chicago, May 29, 1884, son of Jonas E. and Louisa (Wiseman) McCreary, his father a native of Beaver, Pennsylvania, and his mother of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Jonas McCreary was master mechanic for the Western Stone Company of Chicago, and his widow now lives at Early Road, near Youngstown.

W. D. McCreary finished the work of the grammar schools in Chicago in 1900, and after a year and a half in high school took up salesmanship as a traveling man. He also studied draughting and engineering, and in 1904 came to Youngstown, where he was employed as an engineer and draughtsman with the P. & O. Electric Company. He also did work as a general salesman for the General Fireproofing Company, and since 1918 has been distributor for the Prest-O-Lite Company, with salesroom and office at the corner of Commerce and Holmes streets.

Mr. McCreary married in 1921 Miss Hallie Brush, who was born in Buffalo, New York, but a resident of Youngstown, Ohio. He is a republican, a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio, and a member of Youngstown Lodge, No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Rotary Club.

Samuel I. Watson is a Youngstown business man, and nearly all his commercial experience since early manhood has been with the mattress manufacturing industry. He is an ex-service man.

He was born at Allen in Copiah County, Mississippi, December 19, 1887, son of John M. and Willie (Osborne) Watson, his father a native of Copiah County and his mother of Jefferson County, Mississippi. Both parents are now deceased. Samuel I. Watson grew up in his native state, completing grammar and high schools, and completed a course in a business university at Bowling Green, Kentucky. Beginning in August, 1910, he was employed six years in clerical work at Holden, West Virginia, and then at Huntington, West Virginia, became bookeeper for the Specialty Mattress Company. In 1918 the company sent him to Wheeling, West Virginia, as branch manager.

In May, 1918, he enlisted and was put in training at Camp Logan, Texas, from there being transferred in December, 1918, to Camp Pike, Arkansas, and in April, 1919, was honorably discharged at Camp Sherman, Ohio.

He then resumed work for his former company as bookkeeper at Detroit, Michigan, but in November, 1919, came to Youngstown as manager of the Sanitary Mattress Company, a branch of the Specialty Mattress Company.

Mr. Watson married, February 8, 1921, Mildred M. Zimmerman, a native of Youngstown. He is a Methodist, a republican in politics, has filled the chairs in the Knights of Pythias Lodge at Mangham, Louisiana, also belongs to the Woodmen of the World at Mangham, is a member of the Youngstown Chamber of Commerce and the Youngstown Automobile Club.

Charles Nelson Sparks, postmaster of Akron, is a veteran of the Spanish-American war and the Philippine wars, and has been a business man of Akron for the past ten years.

He was born in Columbus, Ohio, July 21, 1880, son of Edward F. and Belle (Akin) Sparks. He acquired a public school education and was eighteen years of age when he volunteered for service in the Spanish-American war, going out as a private. He spent three years in the Philippine Islands, and subsequently completed the trip around the world. For about ten years Mr. Sparks was identified with lumber manufacturing in Ohio, West Virginia and Mexico, and spent four years in the news service at Chicago. In 1914 he came to Akron.

Mr. Sparks has been prominent in republican politics in Summit County, serving as chairman of the organization committee of the Republican County Committee. He was one of the local Harding managers in the campaign of 1920, and in that year was appointed safety director of Akron. He held the office of postmaster under a temporary appointment from May to October, 1921, and on October 1, 1921, was appointed for a full term by President Harding. He is a member of the City Club, is chairman of the Safety Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the Board of Trade of South Akron, of the North Hill Board of Trade, and the East Akron Board of Trade and Real Estate Board. He is a member of the Red Men, the Eagles, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Spanish-American War Veterans and of the National Aeronautics Society. Mr. Sparks married Miss Grace Pugh, of Columbus, June 17, 1921.

Nelson C. Stone. The Stone family were among the earliest pioneer settlers of Summit County, and

the name has been prominently identified with the manufacturing and financial history of Akron for more than half a century. Nelson C. Stone is president of the National City Bank of Akron. This is the second oldest financial intitution at Akron, the bank in its present form representing the history of other institutions running back to Civil war times. The City National Bank was organized in 1883, and when the charter expired in 1903 it was succeeded by the National City Bank, at which time Mr. Stone became president.

The grandparents of the Akron banker were Milo and Sarah (Beardsley) Stone, who left their old home in Connecticut in the fall of 1816 and traveled by ox team and wagon to the Western Reserve of Ohio. While they were temporarily at Canfield in Mahoning County, the son, Nelson B. Stone, was born to them, September 18, 1816. The family made permanent settlement in Tallmadge Township of Summit County, though this county was not organized for twenty-five years afterward. Nelson B. Stone became a man of distinction in the county and in Akron. He was reared on a farm, but acquired a liberal education in the public schools, in Tallmadge Academy and Allegheny College at Meadville, Pennsylvania. He clerked in stores and in December, 1840, became a resident of Akron. He was deputy county clerk until the fall of 1851, was then elected county clerk, being the first to hold that office under the new constitution. For a time he was with the manufacturing firm of Aultman, Miller & Company, and in 1865 became secretary and treasurer of the Weary, Snyder & Wilcox Company. He was with that corporation many years. Nelson B. Stone, who died November 9, 1893, was for over fifty years a member of the Board of Trustees of the First Methodist Episcopal Church and for fifty-two consecutive years served as secretary of the Sunday school of that church. He was a delegate to the First Republican State Convention in Ohio.

The first wife of Nelson B. Stone was Mary H. Clarke, of Akron. Her father, William L. Clarke, was a pioneer of Ohio and was twice elected sheriff of Summit County, and afterwards for twelve years served as justice of the peace for Portage Township. Mary H. Clarke Stone died, April 6, 1854, and her only child was Nelson C. Stone.

Nelson C. Stone was born at Akron, March 30, 1854. He was reared in his native city, being a graduate of the city schools. He became a member of the class of 1876 in Ohio Wesleyan University, but a short time before graduating left college to accept an opportunity to travel abroad for a year. Subsequently the University conferred upon him the Master of Arts degree. After his return from abroad he spent seven years with the Weary, Snyder & Wilcox Manufacturing Company, was also connected with the Seiberling Milling Company, and for a year or so attended to business interests in Kansas City and New York City. Mr. Stone in 1887 returned to Akron, and in 1888 became cashier of the City National Bank. He has been identified with that institution and its successor for over thirty-five years, and has been president since the organization of the National City Bank in 1903.

Mr. Stone is a member of the Bankers Club of America at New York City, the American Bankers Association, the Union and Country Clubs of Cleveland, the Akron Chamber of Commerce, the Portage and City Clubs of Akron, the Congress Lake Country Club of Stark County, and he succeeded his father as a member of the Board of Trustees of the First Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Stone married Miss Margaret J. Oburn, of Chicago, in 1879.

HOMER P. WHITSTONE. That this is an electrical age no sane person can dispute, and the ever growing demand for appliances and supplies for the utilization of this potent force, with their installation, have developed lines of business of great magnitude and opened new fields for the energies of competent men. One of them who is achieving a well-merited success at Youngstown as an electrical contractor and dealer in electrical appliances and supplies is Homer P. Whitstone, of 231 North Phelps Street.

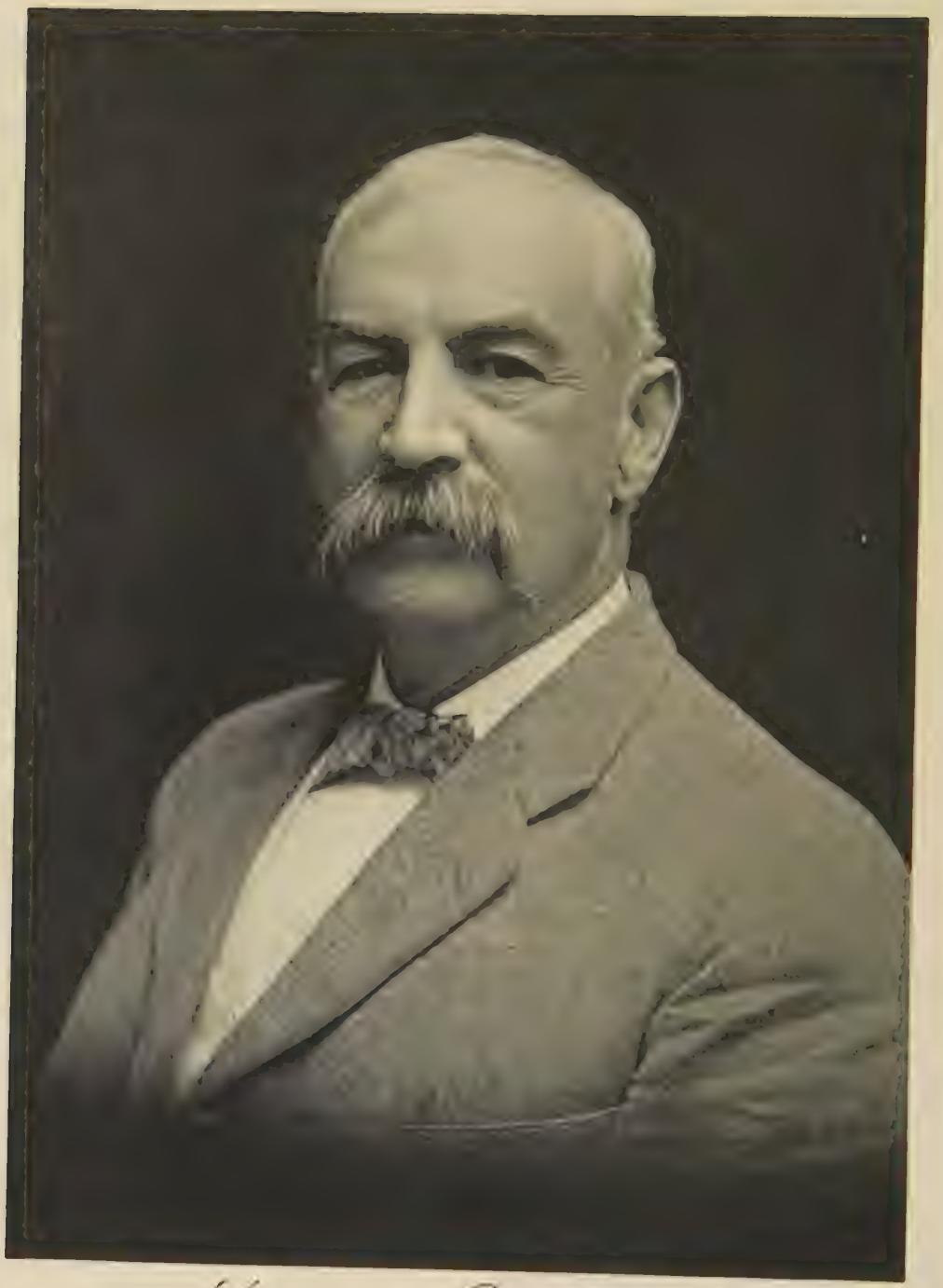
Homer P. Whitstone was born at Lowellville, Mahoning County, Ohio, May 8, 1889, a son of Edward E. and Caroline (Wenk) Whitstone, natives of Ohio and Frostburg, Maryland, respectively. She died in 1903, but he still survives and is living at Youngstown.

After completing his courses in the grade and high schools, Homer P. Whitstone came to Youngstown in 1895, and began learning the electrical business with the Pennsylvania and Ohio Electric Railroad, and continued with this company for ten years, leaving it to enter the employ of the Electrical Maintenance Company, with which he continued until he entered the army, in April, 1918, as a member of Company A, Fifty-seventh Engineering Corps. Sent to Camp Meade, Maryland, for training, he was subsequently transferred to an engineering camp at Laurel, Maryland, and remained there for four weeks. He was sent overseas to France with the Seventy-ninth Division, and served with the Inland Waterways Transportation Unit, was all over France, and participated in all of the important engagements from Brest to the Marne River. Subsequently he was attached to the vicinity of Paris, and following the signing of the armistice, was stationed at Le Havre, where his duties were in connection with loading troop transports for the United States. On July 19, 1919, he left for the United States, and received his honorable discharge at Camp Merritt, August 2, 1919. Returning to Youngstown, he embarked in his present business, and has since developed it into one of the leading ones of its kind in the city.

On October 6, 1923, Mr. Whitstone was married to Miss Zetta Marshall, of Denver, Colorado. Mr. Whitstone belongs to Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church of Youngstown. He is a republican, although not very active in politics. A Mason, he has been advanced through all of the bodies of his order of both the York and Scottish Rites, and also belongs to the Mystic Shrine. Professionally he maintains membership with the Electrical League.

CHARLES E. TAYLOR. Supply and demand control business development in a large measure. Whenever the supply of any article is less than the demand for it, naturally it becomes more difficult to secure an adequate amount and some means must be devised to make up the shortage. The period of warfare, with the withdrawal of so many able-bodied men for the army and for allied industries, caused a falling off in building, and this shortage was not confined to any one community, or country, for that matter, but existed all over the civilized world. In fact, this housing shortage has not yet been overcome, and therefore the abilities of some of the most energetic men of the age have been called into play to remedy the conditions, and so arrange as to throw open to tenants quarters in which they may live and rear their families. Therefore, in every community are to be found a number of alert and progressive men whose attention is given to real-estate matters. One of these representative men at Youngstown is Charles E. Taylor, who has built up an excellent business and established his reputation for fair dealing and honorable practices.

Charles E. Taylor was born in Hampshire County, West Virginia, May 26, 1887, a son of J. W. and Catherine (Shoemaker) Taylor, farming people. Growing up in a rural neighborhood, Charles E.



Hanne. E. Buck

Taylor alternated attendance at the district schools with farm work until he reached his majority, at which time he began farming for himself. In 1914 he abandoned agriculture for real estate, and, coming to Youngstown, opened his present line of business, and has since then been operating in real estate.

In 1916, Mr. Taylor was married to Miss Florence Wheeland, born at Youngstown, and they have one daughter, Helen. Mr. Taylor is independent in his political belief. Both he and his wife have many friends at Youngstown and in Mahoning County, by whom they are held in the highest esteem.

JOSEPH NEWTON. Experience has proven that a man succeeds best in that work in which he has acquired a practical knowledge. Theories do not give any one a sound basis for permanent development. Back of them must lie the knowledge that comes of actual experience if sound success be attained. In nothing is this more true than in electrical work with its many ramifications. Therefore, when Joseph Newton entered upon his present business of electrical contracting, at Number 28 South Walnut Street, he brought with him a practical knowledge of it and the requirements of his trade, and from the start has enjoyed a fair share of patronage in his neighborhood.

Joseph Newton was born at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, May 10, 1888, a son of David and Emma Newton, who came to Youngstown in 1891. The father is a puddler by trade, and he is still living in this city. Until he was fourteen Joseph Newton attended the public schools, but at that early age began working for the Carnegie Steel Company, with which he continued for four years, leaving it to work at boilermaking. Still later he took up electrical work, and became stage electrician at the Park Theatre, Youngstown, which position he held until 1918. In that year he entered the field of electrical contracting, and he also handles all kinds of electrical appliances and supplies. His skill and reliability are recognized by his competitors and the trade generally.

In 1916, Mr. Newton was married, and he has one daughter, Eleanor Josephine. His residence is at 1635 Mayfield Avenue. Trinity Episcopal Church holds his membership. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias, and to the Association of Electragists and to the Electrical League of Youngstown. In political faith he is a republican.

JAMES HARRIS MCEWEN, dean of Youngstown bankers, and one of the most prominent men of Mahoning County, has devoted his life to finance, and is now a member of the directorate of the Mahoning National Bank, successor to the Youngstown Savings & Loan Company. He was born at Youngstown, October 13, 1842, a son of James and Elizabeth (Fitch) McEwen, the former born on a farm near Elkton, Indiana, and the latter born in New York City. About 1835 James McEwen came to Youngstown, having been attracted here during his work as an engineer on the canal. In 1839 he was married and took up his residence in this city, and following the completion of the canal, served as its superintendent, and still later was president of the company. When he died, in 1872, at the age of seventy-three years, he was holding that office. His wife died in 1869, aged fifty-seven years.

After a boyhood and youth spent at Youngstown, James Harris McEwen went, at the age of twenty years, into the Mahoning County Bank as a clerk, and continued with that old institution until 1868, during that period laying the foundation for the knowledge of banking which later was to make him such an authority on finance. In 1868 he entered the Youngstown Savings & Loan Company as treasurer, and during the turbulent reconstruction period following the termination of the war, with its numerous problems, a number of the leading citizens of Youngstown, among whom was Mr. McEwen, whose names have since been linked with the great industries of the state, realizing the need for greater banking facilities, organized the Mahoning National Bank in 1877, as the successor to the Youngstown Savings & Loan Company, with which they had already been connected.

With the opening of the doors of the new institution Mr. McEwen assumed the duties of cashier, and ably discharged them until January 14, 1908, at which time he was elected president of the bank, and he served as such for nearly two years, retiring from the office and from business generally, January 11, 1910. Although more than ten years over the three score years and ten of psalmist, he retains his place on the Board of Directors of the bank, and his wealth of experience, gained through almost sixty years of constant service, is freely given and gladly availed by the active officers of the bank. In spite of his age, Mr. McEwen is very active and visits the bank almost daily. He was an intimate friend of the late Robert McCurdy, and when the latter died in 1904, Mr. McEwen was named as executor of his estate, and this, with his personal affairs, he still successfully administers.

On February 22, 1883, Mr. McEwen married Miss Florence Rayen, who was born at Champion, Trumbull County, Ohio, and was a teacher in the Rayen High School prior to her marriage. This school was named in honor of her uncle, William Rayen, one of the prominent men of earlier Youngstown. Her father, John Rayen, was born in Trumbull County, Ohio. Mr. McEwen is residing at 534 Bryson Street, Youngstown, Mrs. McEwen having died in 1912, leaving no children. For many years Mr. McEwen was vice president of the McMillan Library, and he has otherwise been of great service to his community. One of the old-line republicans, he has followed his party's fortunes almost from its beginnings, and has met and known intimately some of its greatest lights. He still enjoys meeting his old friends at the Youngstown Club. During his long and varied life Mr. McEwen has witnessed many changes, and has seen most marvelous development in and about Youngstown, in whose history he is so deeply concerned. The stainless record of this honorable gentleman proves that a man may achieve prestige and wealth, and yet never swerve in so doing from the path of strictest probity.

HENRIE E. BUCK. What many critics pronounce the finest private collection of Indian curios and antiques of all kinds in the United States is owned by Henrie E. Buck of Delaware. Mr. Buck is a native of Delaware, is a member of an old and distinguished American family, and for many years was engaged in railroading and also in the real estate business.

He was born in Delaware, March 1, 1849, a son of Israel E. and Sarah Wilson (Vandeman) Buck, both natives of Ohio. There were four of his ancestors in the Revolutionary war, one of them being Israel Buck, another John Vandeman, a third, Lieut.-Col. G. Wilson, and the fourth was Benjamin Collins. Mr. Buck's paternal grandparents were Edmund and Anna Buck, and on the maternal side he is a grandson of Henry and Sarah Vandeman. The father, Israel E. Buck, was regarded as one of the leading lawyers of the state in his time. He served as the first mayor of the City of Delaware, and took a keen and intelligent interest in public affairs all his life. He located in Delaware in 1846.

Henrie E. Buck was reared at Delaware, where he attended the public schools and the Ohio Wesleyan University. He did not complete his university course. For one year he studied law, but failing health compelled him to seek outdoor work and he

returned to railroading. For twenty years he was in the train service. For two years of this time he was assistant superintendent of the Santa Fe Railway at Dodge City, Kansas. He was also in the construction department of several roads, being assistant superintendent of construction on the Nickel Plate, general manager of the D. M. Electric Railroad, and also of the Hocking Valley Railway for several years, and did construction work with the New Orleans & North Eastern and Michigan and Ohio railroads. After retiring from the railroad business Mr. Buck was engaged in the real estate business at Toledo, and handled some of the most successful subdivisions and property deals in that city, including the Laskey Place Addition and East Toledo, the Wagon Works Addition and others.

On account of his wife's poor health Mr. Buck finally practically retired from active business and traveled extensively. During all these years he has considered Delaware his home. His private residence at Delaware is not only a home but in an interesting sense a museum, since it contains his vast collection. He has been a collector and student of Indian remains, of furniture, art and other evidences of different periods of civilizations in America, and the great private collection he has accumulated is the result of painstaking effort and the expenditure of a large amount of money on his part over a long period of years. The aboriginal mounds of Ohio supplied many of the curios. He also had a wonderful collection of Indian pipes, spears and arrow heads, shovels, hatchets and ornaments. His house is filled with pictures, books, chinaware, pewter plates, cut glass and interesting furniture representing the colonial and other periods of American history, and practically everything is of intrinsic value or historical association. One of the most valued articles is a tea service and the table going with it which at one time belonged to George Washington. He also has the personal autograph of every President of the United States. Students of such matters who are familiar with the great wealth of treasures in the Smithsonian Institution at Washington, museums in different cities and various private collections have no hesitation in pronouncing Mr. Buck's accumulative treasures remarkable not only for quantity but also rare quality.

On September 20, 1876, at Urbana, Ohio, Mr. Buck married Miss Jennie Glenn, daughter of Isaac and Martha (McClelan) Glenn, who were substantial Ohio farmers. Mrs. Buck is a direct descendant of the Revolutionary Randolph and Drake families. Mr. Buck was instrumental in organizing the Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at Delaware, and his daughter became the first regent of the chapter. There are three children: Anna, wife of A. W. Firestone, who is a banker at Shilo, Ohio, and is the mother of two children, Jennette and Wallace; Clara Glenn, who married Clarence Mast, a professor in Southwestern University of Georgetown, Texas, and the four children of Professor and Mrs. Mast are Henrie E., Jane, John and Clarence, Jr.; while the only son of Mr. Buck is Joseph Henry, assistant cashier in the Delaware Savings Bank, who married Martha F. Stoneburner.

Mr. Buck is a member of the Episcopal Church. He is a life member of both the Masons and Elks, and is affiliated with the Royal Arch and Knights Templar degrees of Masonry.

William M. Jackson. Few men are better known to the people of Youngstown as capable and public-spirited citizens than William M. Jackson, who after considerable business experience is now in charge of the Soldiers' Relief Commission and secretary of the board at Youngstown. Having himself, during his young manhood fought to maintain the Union, he has never lost his love for the flag he so honored, and is patriotic instructor in connection with his post of the Grand Army of the Republic, in which he has held all of the offices, including that of commander. With such a record behind him he is the right person to look after the veterans of a later war than the one in which he participated so bravely.

William M. Jackson was born at Augusta, Carroll County, Ohio, April 1, 1845, a son of Isaac and Mary (Manfull) Jackson, natives of England, who came to the United States in 1818, and settled on a farm in Carroll County, Ohio, becoming prominent pioneer settlers of that county. This property they bought, and lived on it until 1866, when they sold it and moved to Wisconsin. After a brief period spent in that state, however, they again changed, and settled permanently in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, where he died in 1868, aged sixty-seven years. The wife and mother, who was born in 1811, survived him until 1900.

Residing with his parents until he enlisted in the Union army, William M. Jackson was enrolled in Company A, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, August 15, 1862, under Capt. Jacob Weyland, and was assigned to the Army of the Potomac. In October, 1864, Captain Weyland was succeeded by Capt. John W. Cook. Mr. Jackson participated in the battles of Martinsburg, West Virginia, June 14, 1863; Wapping Heights, Virginia, July 23, 1863; Culpeper Court House, Virginia, October 11, 1863; Bristone Station, Virginia, October 14, 1863; Realton and Rappahannock Bridge, Virginia, October 24, 1863; Kelly's Ford, Virginia, November 7, 1863; Locust Grove, Virginia, November 27, 1863; Mine Run, Virginia, November 28, 1863; Wilderness, Virginia, May 5-7, 1864; Alsop's Farm, Virginia, May 8, 1864; Spotsylvania, Virginia, May 8-18, 1864; North Ann River, Virginia, May 23, 1864; Tolopotomy Creek, Virginia, May 30-31, 1864; Cold Harbor, Virginia, June 1-12, 1864; Bermuda Hundred, Virginia, June 18, 1864; Welden Railroad, Virginia, June 22, 1864; Monocacy, Virginia, July 9, 1864; Snickers Ferry, Virginia, July 18, 1864; Charleston, West Virginia, August 21, 1864; Smithfield, Virginia, August 29, 1864; Opequon, Virginia, September 19, 1864; Flint Hill, Virginia, September 21, 1864; Fisher's Hill, Virginia, September 22, 1864; Cedar Creek, Virginia, October 19, 1864; Petersburg, Virginia, March 25, 1865; and a second engagement at Petersburg, April 2, 1865. On May 6, 1864, during the battle of the Wilderness, Mr. Jackson was wounded in the right shoulder, and he still carries the ball. Because of this injury he was confined in Jarvis Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, for two months. On October 19, 1864, he was wounded in the right leg, during the battle of Cedar Creek, but was able to report for duty within a month's time. His honorable discharge bears the date of May 14, 1865.

Returning home following his discharge from the army Mr. Jackson took a much-needed rest, and then became a clerk in the dry-goods store at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. For the succeeding fifteen years he maintained his connection with this house as clerk and later as traveling salesman, and then, going to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, he became a traveling salesman for a wholesale notion house, and represented it on the road for two years. Going then to Sharon, Pennsylvania, he opened a furnishing goods store, and conducted it very profitably for fourteen years, but, selling it, went on the road for ten years, at the expiration of which period he came to Youngstown, and for four years owned and conducted an oil warehouse. Disposing of this business, he spent ten years as assistant superintendent of the Metropolitan Insurance Company at Youngstown, and then assumed his present duties.

Jessie Glenn Beck

On September 28, 1868, he married Miss Laura I. Shaffer, born near Waynesburg, Ohio, a daughter of David and Eliza Shaffer, natives of Ohio and Scotland, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson became the parents of the following children: Alice M., who is at home; Albert, who died at the age of twenty-one years; Harry, who resides at Elyria, Ohio; Isabel, who is a public school teacher; Mabel, who is the wife of James Burnett, of Coitsville, Mahoning County, Ohio. The First Christian Church of Youngstown holds Mr. Jackson's membership, and he has served it in several official positions. He is a strong republican. His comfortable residence at 273 Scott Street is his property and he is also a stockholder in the Metropolitan Loan Association.

Benjamin L. Agler. Few lines of business offer such splendid opportunities for public service of a high character, as well as for the acquisition of a fair competence in return for hard work, as does that of insurance, and one of the men of Youngstown who is devoting himself to it is Benjamin L. Agler, of the firm of Benjamin L. Agler & Company, with headquarters at Youngstown, Ohio.

Benjamin L. Agler was born at Garrettsville, Ohio, May 22, 1889, a son of Walter E. and Caroline (Leach) Agler, he was born at Wilmot, Stark County, Ohio, December 10, 1857, and she was born near Niles, Ohio. The paternal grandparents were Jeremiah and Mary (Bell) Agler. Jeremiah Agler was born in Stark County, Ohio, March 1, 1832, a son of Peter and Barbary (Snively) Agler. Peter Agler was born in Union County, Pennsylvania, in 1787, and he was a son of William Agler, who was born in New Jersey. His grandfather, also William Agler, was born in Holland, and came to the American colonies about 1760. Jeremiah Agler died October 14, 1890. During the war between the North and the South he served as a member of the Ohio National Guard. The maternal grandparents of Benjamin L. Agler, of this review, were Benjamin and Mary (Rayen) Leach, natives of Champion, Trumbull County, Ohio, he was born December 1, 1816, and she, March 3, 1825. He died June 30, 1906, and she, January 6, 1912. He was a son of Abram and Amy (Luce) Leach. Abner Leach, father of Abram Leach, was born at Morristown, New Jersey, in 1750, and came west to Champion, Ohio, in 1820. During the American Revolution he served in Dickerson's New Jersey Continental Line. His remains lie in the cemetery at Champion, Ohio. Abram Leach was a soldier of the War of 1812, as was also William Agler II., who was under the command of Gen. William Henry Harrison. After the close of the war he, too, settled at Wilmot, Ohio, and like the other Aglers and members of the Leach family, engaged in farming.

Following their marriage Walter E. Agler and his wife settled at Garrettsville, where he became connected with banking interests, and for forty years was cashier of the First National Bank of that city. His death occurred May 1, 1918. His widow survives him and makes her home at Youngstown. They had but the one child.

Benjamin L. Agler was graduated from the high school of his native city in 1907, following which he was a student of Hiram College for one year, and then entered the general insurance field at Garrettsville, where he remained until 1914. In that year he came to Youngstown and formed affiliations with the General Insurance Agency Company, and a year later was made its vice president. The name was changed in 1921 to the Medbury-Agler Company, an association that continued until July 1, 1924, since which time he has been engaged in an independent insurance business under the firm name of Benjamin L. Agler & Company.

On October 10, 1922, Mr. Agler married Josephine Butler Ford, born at Youngstown, January 18, 1893, a daughter of Edward and Blanche (Butler) Ford, the former a native of New York and the latter of Youngstown, Ohio, and a daughter of Joseph G. Butler, Jr., one of the prominent citizens of this section of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Agler have one daughter, Blanche Butler, born November 11, 1923. Mr. Agler is a Congregationalist and his wife is an Episcopalian. They are republicans. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, and also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Agler also is a member of the Youngstown Club, the Youngstown Country Club and the American Legion, and during 1923 was commander of his post, and is now a member of the executive committee. He is serving his third term as president of the Ohio Association of Insurance Agents, with headquarters at Columbus, Ohio.

The military record of Mr. Agler is an honorable one, and begins with his reporting, May 14, 1917, to the First Officers Training Camp, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. He was commissioned second lieutenant and assigned to the Fourth Division of the Regular Army, in the motor transport branch of the service. Shortly thereafter he was placed in command of Company F, Fourth Supply Train, at Camp Greene, North Carolina. In May, 1918, he was assigned to active duty abroad, and upon reaching France was sent to the front, participating in the Marne offensive. Subsequently he was in the Saint Mihiel drive, and still later participated in the Meuse-Argonne offensive. It was during the latter campaign that he was promoted to a first lieutenancy, and soon thereafter to a captaincy. Following the signing of the armistice he was assigned to the Army of Occupation on the Rhine, but was sent back to this country before his division, in June, 1920.

Theodor Hall is doing a successful and substantial business in the manufacturing of cement blocks in the City of Sandusky, and his well equipped plant for this construction enterprise is established at 1913 South Campbell Street.

Mr. Hall was born at Danbury, Ottawa County, Ohio, November 17, 1854, and is a son of Christian and Dorothy Maria Hall, who were born and reared in Germany, where their marriage was solemnized and whence they came to the United States in 1846 and established their home at Danbury, Ohio, on Sandusky Bay. Christian Hall was a fur dresser and also a skilled workman at the tinner's trade. Within a short time after the birth of his son, Theodor, of this review, Christian Hall moved with his family to Sandusky, and later he removed to the vicinity of Clairmont, Iowa, where he became a pioneer farmer and where his death occurred. His widow and children then returned to Sandusky and Mrs. Hall passed the remainder of her life in Ohio.

Theodor Hall gained his early education in the schools of Ohio and Iowa, and as a youth he was employed by the month at farm work. He was thus engaged about two years, then after his marriage, in 1875, he was for a time engaged in farming on a rented place in Perkins Township, Erie County. He then purchased in Sandusky a city lot on which he erected a small house, and in this city he engaged in work as a mason, besides which he was for several years engaged in contracting and building. In the meanwhile he obtained a small farm near Bloomingville, this county, and there engaged in market gardening, besides continuing his work as a contractor and builder. In 1919 he sold his farm and purchased three lots on South Campbell Street, Sandusky, where he has since built up a prosperous business in the manufacturing of cement blocks for buildings and other structural work. He is a loyal

supporter of the cause of the democratic party, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Christian Church.

In October, 1875, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Hall and Miss Mary Anna Ridman, who was born in Perkins Township, Erie County, August 2, 1855, a daughter of John and Barbara (Daniel) Ridman, the former a native of Switzerland and the latter of Hesse-Cassel, Germany, they having been for many years sterling and honored citizens of Erie County, Ohio. In conclusion is given brief record concerning the children of Mr. and Mrs. Hall: Minnie became the wife of John Paff and is now deceased, her one surviving child, Henrietta, being the wife of James Albert, of Sandusky; Walter died at Camp Sherman during the World war; Mary Anna died at the age of fifteen years; David was thirty-one years of age at the time of his death, he having married Miss Flossie Arheit, who survived him, as did also their one child, Norman Lee.

Will Lake Beach, M. D. Engaged in general practice as a physician and surgeon at Newton Falls, Doctor Beach is a member of an old family in Northeastern Ohio, spent his early life on the farm, and at first studied veterinary medicine, afterward taking up the work of his chosen profession.

He was born at Geneva, Ashtabula County, Ohio, December 28, 1890. His father, Wesley L. Beach, was born at Mayfield, Ohio, in 1845, was reared there, was married at Mentor, and for a number of years carried on his farming operations at Chester. In 1889 he moved to Geneva, and lived there until his death in 1918. He was well known for the success he had in developing farms, and was a dealer in farm lands and real estate. He was a republican, and a very active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. By his marriage he had two children: Belle, wife of Charles Eaton, a gardener of Girard, Pennsylvania; and Charles, a mechanic, who died at the age of twenty-three. By his marriage to Julia Clark, who was born at Mentor Headlands, Ohio, in 1855, and now lives at Geneva, there were ten children: Ellen B., a graduate nurse living at Geneva, widow of LeRoy Hayward, who lost his life in a railroad accident while a locomotive fireman; Burr A., a professor in the University of Wisconsin, at Madison; Jeannette, wife of Albert Nelson, a former banker, now living at Trinidad, Cobrado; Arda, wife of Nels Nelson, a railroad engineer living at Ashatabula; Clark I., a steel mill worker at Ashtabula; Dr. Will Lake; Ruth A., who lives at Salem, Ohio, and is engaged in Red Cross work; Carrie, a kindergarten teacher at Geneva; Elizabeth, an employe of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, and Allen Penfield, an automobile mechanic at Geneva.

Will Lake Beach attended the public schools of Geneva, graduating from high school there in 1910. After a year on the home farm he entered Ohio State University, taking the course in veterinary medicine. He was graduated with the degree Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 1915. Subsequently he enrolled in the regular medical department of Ohio State University, finishing the course and receiving the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1920. In the meantime he had enlisted for service in the medical corps at the time of the World war, and was held in training from December, 1917, until after the armistice, when he was given an honorable discharge. Doctor Beach is a member of the Alpha Psi veterinary fraternity, Phi Rho Sigma medical fraternity and Phi Sigma Honorary Biological fraternity. During 1920-21 he remained at Columbus as an interne at the Protestant Hospital, and since then has been engaged in a very successful general practice at Newton Falls. He is a member of the Trumbull County and Ohio State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association. His offices are at the corner of Broad and Center Streets in Newton Falls.

Doctor Beach is a republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Geneva Lodge No. 334 of the Masonic Order at Geneva, and Ali Baba Grotto of Masons at Warren. He also belongs to Newton Falls Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

At Madison, Ohio, August 16, 1921, he married Miss Mildred Jane Warren, daughter of Charles O. and Lucy (Pomeroy) Warren, resident of Painesville, where her father is a merchant.

Elden V. Benedict, superintendent of city schools at Newton Falls, has employed his versatile abilities for successful work not only as an educator but in business and in public affairs generally.

Mr. Benedict was born at Solon, Ohio, August 7, 1889. His father, Charles Harrison Benedict, a resident of Wooster, Ohio, was born three miles north of Newton Falls, in Trumbull County, July 15, 1858, and was reared there. He served as a telegraph lineman for the Erie Railroad Company, with home at Solon until 1913, in which year he removed to Wooster and is now foreman for the Gray & Smith Flour Mills His father, Harrison Benedict, came to Trumbull County in 1809 from Windsor, Connecticut. Through many years Charles H. Benedict has been a staunch supporter of the Christian Church and is a democrat in politics. He married Jennie Pettibone, who was born at Solon, Ohio, September 24, 1858, and died at Wooster, April 15, 1919. The Pettibones came to America in 1620. They had four children: Arden V., superintendent of schools at Greenwich, Ohio, and died at Wooster at the age of thirty-three; Elden V.; Alice Marie and Lucile Mary, both of whom died in early childhood.

Elden V. Benedict attended public school at Solon, graduating from high school there in 1908. He finished the work of Wooster Academy in 1910, and followed that with four years in the regular collegiate department of Wooster University. He received his Bachelor of Science degree with the class of 1916. Mr. Benedict was very prominent in athletics and students' activities at Wooster, being one of the Wooster letter men. He was on the staff of the literary Messenger, the college publication, also the Irving Literary Society, and was president of the Young Men's Christian Association in 1914.

Mr. Benedict, beginning in 1916, served one year as superintendent of schools at Bristolville, Ohio, for two years was superintendent at Hubbard, and on May 25, 1918, was inducted into the United States service. He was sent to Camp Gordon, and was sergeant in the personnel division until August 14, 1918. Having specialized in chemistry, he was transferred to the chemical warfare division and was made a corporal in the Edgewood Arsenal at Edgewood, Maryland, the plant where a large part of the toxic gasses was manufactured. He was employed in testing these gasses. Mr. Benedict received his honorable discharge December 6, 1918. For several months following he was employed by the Goodrich Rubber Company at Akron, and on April 15, 1919, became a director of the Greenwich Rubber Company and was connected with that industry two years. During 1920-21 he taught in the Savannah Academy in Ohio, and taught athletics there. Following that he was superintendent of schools at Gustavus, and since 1922 has been city superintendent of schools at Newton Falls. He has under his supervision six schools, a total of twenty-nine teachers, and a scholarship enrollment of 863.

Mr. Benedict is a member of the Ohio State Teach-

ers Association and the National Educational Association. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is teacher of the Brotherhood Class, and is an independent in politics. While living at Greenwich he served as a member of the Town Council. He is affiliated with Newton Falls Lodge, Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and with Newton Falls Grange and the Kiwanis Club. Mr. Benedict owns a fine home at Riverside Park in Newton Falls. He married at Norwalk, Ohio, August 8, 1917, Ina Watts, who was born at Greenwich. She finished her education in Ohio State University and Wooster University, and for two years was a teacher in the schools at Fitchville, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Benedict have two children, Dean Gordon, born November 15, 1918, and Ella Jean, born April 2, 1921.

William H. Zeller is secretary and treasurer of the Trumbull Banking Company at Girard. This institution is the outgrowth of the Girard Savings and Banking Company, organized in 1911. It was taken over by the Trumbull Savings and Loan Company in February, 1917, and in 1918 the Trumbull Banking Company was formed. Under the new management and with Mr. Zeller as the chief executive officer, the resources of the business have increased from about $75,000 to over one and a half millions.

Mr. Zeller was born at Girard, May 2, 1892. His father, George H. Zeller, was born in Alsace, France, and was three years of age when his parents came to the United States and settled at Girard. His father is a painter and decorator, and one of the pioneer business men of Girard, where he owns and operates a wall paper and paint store. The mother of George H. Zeller was a native of Switzerland. George H. Zeller was reared and married in Girard, and has successfully followed the business of painting and decorating and is the leading contractor in that line in this community. He is a republican, is past chancellar of Friendship Lodge, No. 65, Knights of Pythias, and is one of this fraternity's most popular members. George H. Zeller married Elmyra Bennett, who was born at Wattsburg, Pennsylvania. Five children were born to their marriage, William H. being the oldest. Roy, who is now employed in the offices of the Carnegie Steel Company at McDonald, Ohio, is the mayor of the village. He was a soldier for eight months in the World war, being regimental sergeant major at Camp Jackson. The younger children are: Anna, at home; Edwin Bennett, who is a graduate of Oberlin College and prominent in Young Men's Christian Association and church work at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and is preparing to go to China in one or two years for the Young Men's Christian Association; and Vernon, a teller in the Trumbull Banking Company of Girard.

William H. Zeller attended public school at Girard, and was one of the first employes of the old Girard Savings and Banking Company in 1911, starting as a messenger boy. He subsequently filled the positions of bookkeeper, teller and assistant secretary, and was elected secretary and treasurer upon the organization of the Trumbull Banking Company in 1918. He also holds the office of manager of the Trumbull Savings and Loan Company, the two institutions occupying the same banking building on Liberty Street. The offices of the banking company are: S. K. Hine, president; Robert T. Izant and John W. Darr, vice presidents, and William H. Zeller, secretary and treasurer. The banking company has capital stock of $50,000, surplus and profits of $11,000, and deposits of $450,000. The bank building has every modern facility for efficient service.

Mr. Zeller is a republican in politics. He is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church and has served as assistant superintendent of the Sunday School. Like his father, he is prominent in the Knights of Pythias, being a member of Friendship Lodge, No. 65, and has served several years as master of finance. He is a charter member and former director of the Girard Kiwanis Club, and is affiliated with Girard Lodge, No. 432, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Zeller is owner of considerable real estate in Girard, including his bungalow home at the corner of Kline and St. Clair streets. During the World war he was especially active in the sale of Liberty Bonds, and supervised the activities as a result of which his bank had the highest average sales in the county for Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps.

Mr. Zeller married at Girard, September 1, 1914, Miss Hilda Muthert, daughter of George W. and Elizabeth Muthert, residents of Fort Recovery, Ohio, where her father is a retired farmer. Mrs. Zeller finished her education in two of the best known of Ohio colleges, Oxford College for Women and Wooster University. Two daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. Zeller: Ruth, who died at the age of one year, and Jean, born February 23, 1918.

Joseph Francis Nagle, M. D. One of the prominent younger men in medicine and surgery at Girard is Dr. Joseph Francis Nagle, who brought to his work long and thorough training in schools and hospitals, and has a fine endowment of personal qualities for work in his chosen profession.

Doctor Nagle was born at Renova, Pennsylvania, August 12, 1894. His father, Thomas Nagle, was born in County Clare, Ireland, February 15, 1855, was reared there, and, coming to the United States, settled at Renova, Pennsylvania, where he married and where he followed the machinist's trade. He finally retired in 1920, moving to Girard in 1921, and died there December 9, 1922. He was a democrat, a member of the Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus. Thomas Nagle married Ellen O'Connor, who was born in County Clare, Ireland, in 1869, and died at Renova, Pennsylvania, January 30, 1897. They had two children, Joseph F. and Helen. The latter is a stenographer at Renova, Pennsylvania.

Joseph Francis Nagle was educated in the parochial schools at Renova, graduating from the parochial high school in 1912. Following that he spent two years in Mount Saint Mary's Classical School at Emmettsburg, Maryland, and then entered Georgetown University in the District of Columbia, where he spent one year in the pre-medical course and four years in the regular studies of the medical school. He was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1919. In the meantime, on January 8, 1917, he volunteered for service in the Medical Corps, and most of his duties were performed at the Children's Hospital at Washington, District of Columbia. He received an honorable discharge from the service in June, 1919, about the time he graduated from medical school. He is a member of the Phi Chi medical fraternity. In addition to his work as an interne in the Children's Hospital at Washington, Doctor Nagle served as an interne in St. Elizabeth's Hospital at Youngstown in 1920. In November of that year he located at Girard, and has since been busy with a general medical and surgical practice. His offices are at 11 North State Street. Doctor Nagle is a member of the Trumbull County, Ohio State and American Medical Associations.

He is a democrat in politics, is a member of St. Rose Catholic Church at Girard, Hubbard Council, No. 1072, Knights of Columbus, at Hubbard, and the Girard Kiwanis Club. He owns a home at 221 Second Street. Doctor Nagle married at Youngstown, September 6, 1921, Miss Margaret McCloskey, daughter of Hugh and Beatrice McCloskey. Her father was a Pennsylvania farmer, and died in that state, and her

mother lives near Titusville. Doctor and Mrs. Nagle have one son, James, born July 12, 1922.

THOMAS C. VAUGHN. While doing work at one of the skilled trades in the iron and steel industry, Thomas C. Vaughn took up insurance, and for thirty years has been following that line at Girard, and has built up the largest agency in that industrial city. He is also city treasurer of Girard.

Mr. Vaughn was born at Harrisville, Pennsylvania, April 3, 1867, son of David and Sarah Ann (Howells) Vaughn. His father was born in England, in 1831, and his mother, in Wales, in 1836. The day after their marriage they set out for the new world, and their first location was at Weathersfield, Trumbull County, Ohio. David Vaughn for a number of years was in the teaming business as a contractor, and lived at a number of localities in Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio. He died at Youngstown in November, 1872. He was a republican, and was a member of the Congregational Church. His widow survived him more than forty years, and passed away at Girard in December, 1915. They had a family of six children: Benjamin, who was a worker in the iron mills, later a merchant, and died at Youngstown in 1910; John A., a retired rolling mill employe at Youngstown; David, who worked in the rolling mills and died at Girard in 1910; Thomas C.; Edward H., who began his career in the iron mills, subsequently for twenty years was a merchant at Girard and now manages a shoe store at Cleveland, with home at Girard; and Isaac A., an employe of a rolling mill at Girard.

Thomas C. Vaughn was only five years of age when his father died. He attended a few terms of school at Youngstown, and after 1878 continued his education at Girard. At the age of fourteen his education was acquired out of school and in the practical business of life. When he was fifteen he went to work in the plant of the Girard Rolling Mill, doing such work as was fitted to his strength and inexperience. For several years before he left that work he was employed as an assistant roller. He finally gave up his connection with the steel business in 1904. Following that for two years he was a hardware merchant at Girard. Mr. Vaughn began writing insurance in 1894, and since 1906 has given his full time to the insurance and real estate business. His offices are at 24 South State Street.

Mr. Vaughn has a number of important connections with the business affairs of his locality, being a director in the Warren Building and Investment Corporation at Warren, is president of the Girard Modern Homes Company, Incorporated, and a director in the Trumbull Banking Company at Girard. Individually he is owner of valuable real estate in Girard and Warren, including his office building and his modern home at 122 South State Street.

Mr. Vaughn served as a member of the City Council of Girard during 1914-19, and has held the office of city treasurer since 1922. He is a republican, and a member of the Girard Methodist Episcopal Church. He married at Girard, June 5, 1891, Miss Alice Bebb, daughter of John and Jane (Richards) Bebb, now deceased. Her father was a farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn have one daughter, Ethel C.

HIRAM THOMAS HILDRETH. Since his university career Hiram Thomas Hildreth has steadily followed one line of work, the tanning and leather industry. He has filled executive positions in several of the large leather plants of this country, and is now general superintendent of the Ohio Leather Company at Girard, Ohio.

This company was organized in 1901, and soon afterward erected a modern plant at Girard. The company manufactures chrome-tanned, calf and side, dress shoe leather and ships the product all over the United States and abroad to Sweden, Spain, Italy and other foreign countries. The company has offices at Boston, New York, Milwaukee, St. Louis, and foreign offices at Buenos Aires, Genoa and Lyons. It is an industry employing about 800 hands, and is one of the largest institutions of its kind in the Middle West.

Mr. Hildreth, the general superintendent, was born at Middleville, Herkimer County, New York, June 19, 1885. The Hildreth family came from England to Massachusetts in Colonial times. His grandfather, Hiram Hildreth, was a lifelong resident of Herkimer County, New York, where he was engaged in farming. He was a Union soldier in the Civil war. His wife, Cynthia Myers, was born at Utica, New York. Howard Myers Hildreth, father of the Girard business man, was also a lifelong resident of Herkimer County, New York, where he was born in 1854 and died in 1906. He owned and operated one of the fine farms in that section of the Empire State. He was a republican and a member of the Episcopal Church. His wife was Mary Anne Thomas, who was born at Middleville, New York, in 1853, and now lives at Memphis, Tennessee. Her oldest child, Margaret C., of Cincinnati, Ohio, is the widow of J. Bradford Laws, who was a sugar broker. The second daughter, Madaline Myers, first married Donald Mann, a box manufacturer at Memphis, Tennessee, and she is now the wife of Peter G. Grant, a banker, insurance and real estate broker, and one of the leaders in the commercial life of Memphis. Hiram Thomas Hildeth is the third child. John C. is maintenance man for the Goodyear Rubber Company at Akron, Ohio.

Hiram T. Hildreth attended the public schools at Herkimer, New York, prepared for college at the Hill School at Pottstown, Pennsylvania, where he graduated in 1904, and then entered Union University at Schenectady, New York, taking the classical course and graduating with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1908. He is a member of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity.

Soon after leaving college Mr. Hildreth went to work for the Barnet Leather Company at Little Falls, New York. He regarded this employment as an opportunity to learn a great and vital industry, and on the merit of his performance worked from the ranks to assistant superintendent of the plant. He was with that company eight years, and in 1916 went with C. Galibert & Company, leather manufacturers at Montreal, Canada. He was superintendent for this company eighteen months and then became superintendent of the leather plant of the C. D. Brown Company at Rochester, New York.

Mr. Hildreth came to Girard, Ohio, March 1, 1921, as assistant superintendent of the Ohio Leather Company. He was promoted to his present duties as general superintendent in March, 1923. He is a republican in politics, a member of the Episcopal Church and is affiliated with William Farr Lodge of Masons at Girard.

Mr. Hildreth married at Albany, New York, August 27, 1912, Miss Catherine Jordan, daughter of Patrick and Mary Jordan, residents of Albany, where her father is a shoe manufacturer.

BENJAMIN F. JENKINS, Girard attorney, is an ex-service man of the World war, and before taking up the law was a construction engineer doing work in some of the important industrial communities of the Mahoning Valley.

Mr. Jenkins was born at Frostburg, Maryland, August 28, 1897. His grandfather, Benjamin Jenkins, was born in England, in 1847. He came to this country at the age of twenty, and has since lived at Frostburg. For several years he owned and operated an

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iron ore bank, later became a coal miner, and for the past twenty-five years has been in business as a merchant at Frostburg. He married Miss Tuvey, who was born in England, in 1849, and died at Frostburg in 1913. Their son, Arthur W. Jenkins, also a resident of Girard, Ohio, was born at Frostburg in April, 1871. He was reared and married there, and took up the profession of mining engineer. For a number of years he operated Mine No. 1 for the Consolidated Coal Company of Frostburg. The Consolidated Coal Company owned and operated a number of mines, but this was the largest in output. In 1914 Arthur W. Jenkins came to Girard, Ohio, and has since practiced his profession as a mechanical engineer. In politics always an active republican, he was a candidate for Congress from his Maryland district in 1900, but withdrew in favor of another republican and instead took the position of superintendent of the Allegany County Home, an office he filled three terms, six years. He is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Girard, and is affiliated with the Masonic Order, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Junior Order United American Mechanics. Arthur W. Jenkins married Miss Jane D. Reese, who was born at Borden, Maryland, in 1875. They have three children: Olevia Jane, of Girard, wife of Theodore W. Neel, a civil engineer by profession, and at present district engineer for the New York Central Lines; Benjamin F., and William R., a structural engineer at Girard.

Benjamin F. Jenkins attended public schools in his native town of Frostburg, and graduated from the Beall High School there in 1915. Beginning in the summer of 1914, he had assisted his father as a mining engineer for the Consolidated Coal Company, continuing this work during his senior year in high school. Coming to Girard in 1916, Mr. Jenkins became field and construction engineer for the Carnegie Steel Company under his father, who was then superintendent of construction for this corporation, in charge of the new mill being erected at McDonald in Trumbull County. Benjamin F. Jenkins, with two other engineers, laid out the town of McDonald, an industrial community that now has a population of two thousand.

In the spring of 1918 Mr. Jenkins resigned his engineering work to join the Tank Corps, and had two months of training with this organization at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, after which he was transferred to the Heavy Artillery at Fortress Monroe, Virginia. He was commissioned a second lieutenant of the Heavy Artillery, and in February, 1919, was released from active duty and has since held a reserve commission as second lieutenant.

Soon after his return to Girard Mr. Jenkins entered the law school of Ohio Northern University at Ada, and was graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1921. He is a member of the Delta Theta Phi legal fraternity and the Beta Chi honorary fraternity. Admitted to the bar in June, 1921, Mr. Jenkins has since engaged in the general civil and criminal practice at Girard. His offices are in the Pugh Building on North State Street. He is the present city solicitor at Girard, is attorney for and assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of the Persing Milk Products Company of Girard, and a director in the Girard Company.

Mr. Jenkins married, on June 7, 1924, Miss Len N. Scattergood, of Leetonia, Ohio. He is a republican in politics and an active member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, being assistant superintendent of its Sunday School in 1922. He is a member of Ada Lodge, No. 344, of the Masonic Order at Ada, Ali Baba Grotto of Masons at Warren, and Friendship Lodge, No. 65, Knights of Pythias, at Girard. He served as secretary of the Kiwanis Club at Girard in 1922-23-24, and is a member of the Trumbull County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association.

JULIUS MILLER RICHARDSON for the past seventeen years has practiced law in New Philadelphia, and is a native of Tuscarawas County, where his character and ability have made him prominent not only in his present profession but also as an educator, public speaker and citizen.

Mr. Richardson was born on a farm three miles northeast of Shanesville, Tuscarawas County, November 4, 1862, son of Ambrose George and Catherine (Correll) Richardson. The Corrells came from Pennsylvania Dutch stock. His paternal grandparents, George and Barbara (Walter) Richardson, came to Tuscarawas County in 1812. The great-grandparents, George and Mary (Morehead) Richardson also came to Ohio about the same time. George Richardson was born in Loudoun County, Virginia, and his wife in Ireland. There is a well authenticated tradition that he was a soldier in the American Revolution, one proof of which is that he was given a land grant in Ohio, his patent being signed by President Madison. An acquaintance told members of the family after his death that he had frequently heard him say that he was a Colonial soldier in the struggle for American Independence. The Richardsons are of English origin, their first place of settlement in Colonial times being in the vicinity of Baltimore, Maryland, and from there they moved in Loudoun County, Virginia, and then to Ohio. Ambrose George Richardson was a farmer and subsequently a weaver, was a democrat, and he and his wife were Presbyterians. His father, George Richardson, had been a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and many of his descendants have held to the same faith.

Julius Miller Richardson was the second in a family of seven children. He grew up on a farm under the unfavorable conditions that followed the Civil war, and had to become self reliant and begin earning his own living at an early age. He attended the public schools in the country until he was sixteen, later the village schools at Shanesville, Ohio, and when he was sixteen was given his teacher's license. He began teaching at the age of eighteen, and for nine consecutive years spent the winter seasons teaching and the summer seasons farming. In 1894, upon examination, he was granted a high school life certificate to teach in Ohio. Mr. Richardson for ten years had charge of the Mineral City schools, for one year was principal of a school in Canton, resigning and for seven years serving as superintendent of the McConnellsville schools. While teaching he studied law and his preceptor for several years was Charles H. Fouts of McConnellsville. Upon examination before the state board he was licensed to practice law June 18, 1907. Mr. Richardson for many years was an instructor in county teachers' institutes, and did a great deal of work as a lecturer during that period of his life. For some time he was listed as a lecturer by the Grant Lyceum Bureau, and appeared before Chautauqua and other audiences, his best known subjects being Shakespeare and Robert Burns.

Since 1907 Mr. Richardson has applied his time and energies to the practice of law at New Philadelphia, and has attained success in this profession, as in teaching, through reliance upon his individual talent and great industry. He is a staunch republican, but has never used politics as an aid to success. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Loyal Order of Moose.

Mr. Richardson married, June 8, 1884, Miss Lena Brick, a native of Tuscarawas County. Their four

children are: Elizabeth, now Mrs. F. O. Deibel; Milton Clarence, who married Sarah Thompson; Gertrude, now Mrs. Dewey Beaty; and Katherine, wife of Howe Tebeau.

EARLE P. LEIGHTON, chief clerk at the Niles Works of the Republic Iron & Steel Company in the City of Niles, Trumbull County, is a scion of a representative family, of Scotch-Irish stock, that was founded in Virginia in the Colonial era of American history. William M. Leighton, grandfather of the subject of this review, was born in Culpeper County, Virginia, and was reared and educated in that state, where he became a skilled maker of chairs in his native county. His wife, whose maiden name was Loretta Peters, likewise was a native of the Old Dominion State, and there their marriage was solemnized. William Leighton was thirty-five years of age when he came with his young wife to Ohio and established his home at Steubenville, his wife having there died when she was but twenty-eight years of age, and he having there continued to reside until his death, at the age of sixty-five years. He was a manufacturer of chairs after he came to Ohio, and turned out fine cabinet-work when the same was made entirely by hand. His son, Paschal Early Leighton, was born at Steubenville, Jefferson County, Ohio, January 22, 1860, and there he passed his entire life. Paschal Early Leighton became one of the leading painting contractors in the City of Steubenville, and was fifty-two years of age at the time of his death, April 25, 1912. In his native city and county he long controlled a large business. He was a staunch republican, but never a seeker of public office, was affiliated with the Junior Order United American Mechanics, and was a consistent member of the United Presbyterian Church, as is also his widow, who now resides at Youngstown. Mrs. Leighton, whose maiden name was Jennie A. Allison, was born at Alliance, Stark County, Ohio, January 13, 1855. Of the two children, Earle P., of this sketch, is the elder, and the younger, Lulu E., is the wife of Charles Nickman.

Earle P. Leighton was born at Steubenville, Ohio, on the 11th of February, 1879, and there he continued his studies in the public schools until his graduation from the high school as a member of the class of 1897, he having been the first boy student to win scholarship honors in the Steubenville High School, and this scholarship having enabled him to attend a three years' classical course in Adrian College, at Adrian, Michigan, but did not participate in this privilege. Thereafter he completed a two-year classical course in Muskingum College, at New Concord, Ohio, from which he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1905. He is affiliated with the Alpha Beta Gamma College fraternity. In 1904 Mr. Leighton returned to his native city, and after two years of service as accountant for the Steubenville Ice & Storage Company he took a position in the stationery and book department of a leading mercantile establishment in that city, his service there being in the capacity of accountant. One year later he became weighmaster at the Youngstown plant of the Republic Iron & Steel Company, and he won advancement through various departments until he was made chief clerk. He has been employed at the company's plants at Youngstown and Niles, Ohio; East Chicago, Indiana, and New Castle and Sharon, Pennsylvania. He came to the Niles Works of this great industrial corporation in 1919, and here he holds the responsible position of chief clerk. At this industrial plant employment is given to 1,250 hands.

Mr. Leighton is aligned loyally in the ranks of the republican party, and he and his wife still reside at Youngstown, where they own a beautiful modern home, at 41 East Glenaven Avenue, both being active members of the German Reformed Church in that city, and Mr. Leighton there being a trustee of the Metropolitan Savings & Loan Company.

November 15, 1912, recorded the marriage of Mr. Leighton and Miss Elizabeth Afra Pfund, who was born and reared at Youngstown and who was there graduated from the high school. Mr. and Mrs. Leighton have no children.

HENRY V. ORMEROID, M. D. has been established in the general practice of his profession in the City of Niles for virtually a quarter of a century, and his is secure vantage-place as one of the successful and distinctly representative physicians and surgeons of Trumbull County.

Doctor Ormeroid is a scion of sterling English stock, and his paternal grandfather, William Ormeroid, a blacksmith by vocation, passed his entire life in Manchester, England. Doctor Ormeroid was born at Rochester, Lorain County, Ohio, December 20, 1865 and is a son of Henry and Martha (Critchley) Ormeroid, both natives of Manchester, England, where the latter was born at Hulme. Henry Ormeroid was born in the year 1825, and his death occurred in 1890 at Spencer, Medina County, Ohio, his widow having survived him a number of years and having there continued to maintain her home until she, too, passed to the life eternal. Henry Ormeroid was reared and educated at Manchester, England, and there learned the trade of blacksmith, largely under the direction of his father. He became a skilled artisan at his trade, and was a man of exceptional mechanical ability. Mr. Ormeroid was an ambitious youth of nineteen years when he came to the United States. He passed one year at Sing Sing, New York, working at his trade, and then came to Ohio and established his residence at Rochester, where he successfully followed his trade until he gave splendid evidence of his loyalty to his adopted land by tendering his service in defense of the Union when the Civil war was precipitated on the nation. He volunteered early in 1861, and became a member of Company H, Second Ohio Cavalry, with which gallant command he served during virtually the entire period of conflict, his skill at his trade having led to his assignment to the position of farrier of his regiment. He took part in the various engagements in which his command was involved, and at the close of the war he received his honorable discharge. He soon afterward, in 1865, removed from Rochester, Lorain County, to Spencer, Medina County, where he continued in the active work of his trade for many years and where he remained until his death, secure in the confidence and high esteem of all who knew him. He was a stalwart supporter of the cause of the republican party, and he and his wife were zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Ormeroid was possessed of a remarkably fine robusto-tenor voice, and gave many years of service as leader of the choir of his church. He vitalized his association with his old comrades of the Civil war by his appreciative affiliation with the Grand Army of the Republic. Of the children the firstborn, Sarah, died at the age of sixteen years, and the second, Mary Ann, at the age of fifteen years; Thomas, who became a prosperous farmer near Spencer, died at the age of forty-five years, and his twin brother, who likewise became one of the substantial farmers of Medina County, died in 1915; Robert died at the age of four years and Edward, at the age of two years; Dr. Henry V., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; Elizabeth is the wife of William Owens, a prosperous farmer near Holmesville, Holmes County; Frederick, a sales agent by occupation, resides at Marysville, Union County; and Dr. George H., a dentist by profession, is engaged in successful practice at Warren, judicial center of Trumbull County.

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Dr. Henry V. Ormeroid, after profiting by the advantages of the public schools of Spencer, took a three years' literary or academic course in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and in the medical department of this university he was graduated as a member of the class of 1898, he having been a member of the Eustian Society at the university. In 1899, shortly after receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine, he opened an office in the city of Niles, and here he has since continued in the successful general practice of his profession, with a clientage of representative order, and with offices at 123 West Park Avenue, which is the location of the attractive residence property which he here owns and occupies. The doctor is an active member of the Trumbull County Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Society, besides being a member of the American Medical Association. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Christian Church in their home city. The Masonic affiliations of Doctor Ormeroid are as here designated: Sullivan Lodge No. 352, Free and Accepted Masons, at Sullivan, Ashland County; Warren Chapter No. 66, at Warren, judicial center of Trumbull County; Warren Commandery No. 39, Knights Templars, and Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland. He is a member also of Niles Lodge No. 1411, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

October 3, 1900, marked the marriage of Doctor Ormeroid and Miss Sarah R. Robinson, daughter of the late James and Elizabeth Robinson, of Niles, the father having long been a skilled artisan in the steel mills of this section of Ohio. Doctor and Mrs. Ormeroid have two children: Henry R., who was born January 1, 1902, and who remains at the parental home, is a graduate of the Niles High School, and in 1923 he was graduated from Western Reserve University, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, he being now in the employ of the Ohio Galvanizing Company at Niles; Martha Elizabeth, who likewise remains a member of the parental home circle and who is engaged in private secretarial work, is a graduate of the Niles High School and also of Mount Vernon Seminary at Washington, D. C.

Edward M. Milligan, the city engineer of Niles, Trumbull County, has had varied and important experience in the work of his profession as a civil engineer, and has held in this connection many positions of exceptional trust and responsibility.

Edward Marshall Milligan was born at Hudson, Summit County, Ohio, December 6, 1866, and is a son of Levi and Sarah (Busler) Milligan, the former of whom was born at Rutland, Vermont, in 1846, and the latter of whom was born in Pennsylvania, their marriage having been solemnized at Bedford, Ohio. The death of the father occurred in 1913, in the City of Cleveland, where the widowed mother still maintains her home.

Levi Milligan passed the period of his boyhood and youth in the State of New York and in Canada, and he early learned the trade of tanner. After his marriage he continued his residence for a time at Bedford, Ohio, and he finally removed with his family to Kirksville, Missouri, in 1870. There he owned and operated a tannery, and within a comparatively short time he sold the plant and business and removed to the City of Chicago, where he erected and equipped a tannery. This establishment was destroyed in the historic Chicago fire of 1871, before it had been placed in operation, and as Mr. Milligan had no insurance on the plant he was financially ruined. He returned to Ohio and here reengaged in the work of his trade. In 1876 he established his permanent residence in Cleveland, and there he passed the remainder of his life. His sterling integrity in all of the relations of life commended him to the confidence and esteem of his fellow men. Of the children Edward M., of this sketch, is the eldest; Bertha A. is the wife of Warren Brainard, of Cleveland; Alice L. is the wife of George Nuss, and they likewise reside in Cleveland; Harry W. served in the United States Army in the World war period and was still in the service at the time of his death, in 1919; Mae died in childhood, and Warren is employed in the City of Cleveland.

The public schools of Cleveland afforded Edward M. Milligan his early education, but at the age of fourteen years he left school and found employment in a printing establishment. He was thus engaged about one year, and then entered upon an apprenticeship in an electrotype and stereotype foundry in Cleveland. He became a skilled workman and gained the grade of journeyman electrotyper and stereotyper when he was eighteen years of age. He did not follow his trade long thereafter, but became associated with civil-engineering work, in the capacity of rodman and general helper. While thus gaining practical experience he fortified himself technically by careful study of civil engineering, and in due course he became a competent surveyor and engineer. In 1890 he was assigned charge of wharf and dry-dock construction work in Cleveland, and after having been thus engaged two years he was associated with engineering service in connection with railroad work and city improvements in Cleveland until 1919. He then became assistant division engineer of the Erie Railroad, with headquarters at Youngstown, Ohio. In 1902 he became city engineer of Warren, judicial center of Trumbull County, where he thus continued his service until 1909, returning then to Youngstown and assuming charge of the good-roads district of Mahoning County. In 1910 he had supervision of both survey and construction work in the building of the Milton reservoir to supply water to the City of Youngstown, and with this important branch of municipal service he there continued his association until 1918. During that year he was in charge of grade-crossing construction in Youngstown, and in 1919 he was chosen principal assistant engineer of that important industrial city. He retained this position until 1921, since which year he has continued his efficient service as city engineer of Niles, where he has had charge of much important improvement work in the intervening period.

Mr. Milligan is a loyal advocate and supporter of the principles of the republican party, and at Youngstown he still retains his affiliation with Robert E. Johnson Lodge No. 614, Knights of Pythias. He owns his home property at Niles, on Russell Avenue. In the City of Cleveland, in November, 1891, Mr. Milligan wedded Miss Alice M. Krause, daughter of the late Frank L. and Alice V. (Burlingame) Krause, both of whom died in that city, Mr. Krause having been a civil engineer by vocation. Mr. and Mrs. Milligan have no children.

Perry H. Stevens a few months after his admission to the Ohio bar joined the colors for service in the World war, was with a machine gun battalion overseas, and since the war has earned a successful place at the Akron bar.

He was born at Ravenna, in Portage County, Ohio, October 7, 1892, son of Dr. Thomas Howard and Perla Ann (Evans) Stevens. He was reared and educated in Portage County, attending public schools there, and during 1911-13 was a student in Dartmouth College. He then entered the law department of the University of Michigan, graduating Bachelor of Laws in 1916. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1917, and from 1916 to 1919 was associated with the Cleveland law firm of Crampton & House.

On November 3, 1917, he enlisted in the Three Hundred Twenty-second Machine Gun Battalion, was assigned to the Eighty-third Division, and after going

overseas was commissioned second lieutenant at Langres, France, in October, 1918. He was assigned to duty with Company B of the Eleventh Machine Gun Battalion in the Fourth Division. After the war he returned, and was discharged from Company C. of the Three Hundred Forty-seventh Machine Gun Battalion. He spent thirteen months overseas.

On his return he located at Akron, and is a member of the law firm of Sheck & Stevens, with offices at 430-433 Second National Bank Building. He is a member of the American Legion Post, University Club, the Cleveland City Club, Fairlawn Country Club, and the college fraternities Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity. He is also a Mason and Elk.

Mr. Stevens was married October 25, 1921, to Miss Lucy Sawyer of Akron, a daughter of W. T. and Bessie (Voris) Sawyer. They are the parents of a daughter, Bessie Voris Stevens.

Walter F. MacQueen is a representative member of the bar of Trumbull County, where he is engaged in the practice of law in the City of Niles. He is a scion of the fourth generation of the MacQueen family in Ohio, his great-grandfather, Daniel MacQueen, having been born and reared in Scotland, where his marriage was solemnized, and whence with his wife and their young children he came to the United States in the early '20s. He became one of the pioneer exponents of farm industry in the fine Scotch settlement near the village of Highlandtown, Columbiana County, Ohio, where he became influential in community affairs, a leader in the local Presbyterian Church, and a citizen of utmost loyalty and of fine personal stewardship. There this worthy pioneer and his wife passed the remainder of their lives.

Walter Fulton MacQueen was born on the parental homestead farm near Highlandtown, Columbiana County, January 6, 1887, and in that same district of early Scottish colonization his father, John Falconer MacQueen was born in the year 1856. John F. MacQueen attended Mount Union College in Stark County, and as a young man he was a successful teacher in the schools of his native county. In the old home district he thereafter continued his productive activities in connection with farm industry until 1896, when he removed to the City of Wellsville, Columbiana County. There he was for ten years editor of the Daily Union, and he was then elected city auditor, an office of which he continued the incumbent until 1922, since which year he has there served as postmaster. He was a member of the Wellsville Board of Education several years, his political allegiance being given to the republican party. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and both he and his wife are zealous member of the Presbyterian Church, in which he has held the position of elder for more than thirty years. Mrs. MacQueen, whose maiden name was Anna Patterson, is likewise of staunch Scotch ancestry, and her birth occurred in the immediate vicinity of the old Scotch settlement in Columbiana County in the year 1866. Of the two children Walter F., of this review, is the firstborn, and the daughter, Jennie, died at the age of twenty-two years.

In the Wellsville High School Walter F. MacQueen was graduated as a member of the class of 1905. After graduating from high school he was variously employed, having helped on the home farm and worked in the rolling mill at Wellsville, Ohio. In the fall of 1907 he entered the law department of Western Reserve University at Cleveland. In this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1910, and with the degree of Bachelor of Laws he was admitted to the Ohio bar June 24, 1910, and to the Federal courts in 1920. In January, 1911, he opened his office in the City of Niles. Here he has gained a substantial and representative general law practice. He gives special attention to commercial and banking law, and is counsel for a number of important industrial and commercial corporations at Niles. On the 1st of September, 1922, he formed a law partnership with William W. Giffen, and the firm of Mac Queen & Giffen maintain well appointed offices in the McKinley Savings & Loan Building, 38 South Main Street. Mr. MacQueen was city solicitor of Niles for seven and one-half years, and is solicitor also of the neighboring village of McDonald. Politically he favors the principles of the republican party, and he and his wife maintain active affiliation with the First Christian Church in their home city. He is a director of the Niles Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the Board of Education of the Niles City School District. He is a director of the McKinley Savings & Loan Company, and has made judicious investment in Niles real estate, including his home property at 44 Lincoln Avenue. He is a member of the Trumbull County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. In the Masonic fraternity the affiliations of Mr. MacQueen are with Mahoning Lodge No. 394, Free and Accepted Masons; Niles Chapter No. 223, Royal Arch Masons; Warren Council No. 58, Royal and Select Masters, at Warren, the county seat, and Warren Commandery No. 39, Knights Templar. He is affiliated also with the Delta Theta Phi law college fraternity. In the World war period he was chairman of the Legal Advisory Board of Niles, and was otherwise prominent in advancing local patriotic measures.

June 18, 1914, recorded the marriage of Mr. MacQueen and Miss Martha Mae Stephenson, daughter of Roland and Emma (McCoy) Stephenson, the latter of whom is deceased, and the former of whom still resides at Niles. Mrs. MacQueen attended the Dana Musical Institute at Warren, and is a talented violinist. John Roland, first born of the two children of Mr. and Mrs. MacQueen, died in infancy, and the surviving son, James Robert, was born May 25, 1917.

In a preceding paragraph reference has been made to the paternal great-grandfather of Mr. MacQueen. His grandfather, Hugh MacQueen, was born in Scotland, and was a child at the time when the family home was established in Columbiana County, Ohio, in the pioneer days. He there passed the remainder of his life, and there was one of the representative farmers in the fine old Scotch settlement near Highlandtown, where he remained until his death in 1888. During the year 1864 he served as a soldier of the Union in the Civil war, he having been a member of an Ohio regiment of volunteer infantry. His wife, whose maiden name was Nancy Falconer, passed her entire life in Columbiana County, both having been earnest members of the Presbyterian Church.

John Daniel McBride assumed his official duties as mayor of the City of Warren at the opening of the year 1920, and by reelection continued as chief executive of the municipal government at the judicial center of Trumbull County up to January 1, 1924. This statement indicates the popular estimate placed upon his administration, but does not in any degree express the fine work he achieved in the making of needed improvements, the furthering of good government in the way of law and order, and the valiant carrying through of many progressive measures that marked him as mayor in constructive action as well as in name.

On a farm near St. Clairsville, Belmont County, Ohio, the former mayor of Warren was born January 4, 1873, and he is a scion of one of the honored pioneer families of that county, where his father, William H. McBride, was born in the year 1838. William H. McBride gained prestige as a teacher in the schools of his native county, taught during many winter terms in the rural schools, and became a man

Almost H. Englehart.

of broad intellectual ken. His teaching was an avocation, as he devoted the major part of his active life to farm industry in the vicinity of St. Clairsville, where he continued to reside until his death in 1920. His political faith was that of the democratic party, he was long affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and gave many years of earnest and faithful service as an elder in the Presbyterian Church, of which his wife likewise was a devoted member. Mrs. McBride, whose maiden name was Martha Jane Kelley, passed her entire life in Belmont County, where she was born in 1845 and where her death occurred in 1921, she having survived her husband about one year. Of the children the first born, Albert Kelley McBride, was a farmer in Belmont County at the time of his death, at the age of twenty-seven years; Mary is the wife of Marion Shepherd, a traveling salesman, and they maintain their residence at St. Clairsville; William Robert Campbell McBride resides at St. Clairsville, where he is employed; Isaac Jonathan Franklin McBride has for the past twenty-six years held a position in the postoffice at St. Clairsville; Elizabeth is the widow of James Rinker and resides at St. Clairsville, where her husband died in 1919; James Chalmers McBride is engaged in farm enterprise near St. Clairsville; John Daniel McBride, of this review, was the next in order of birth; Eckert Alexander McBride, a commercial traveling salesman, resides in the City of Buffalo, New York; and Annie Victoria is the wife of William Weems, secretary and general manager of grain transportation of the Eastern division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, with headquarters in the City of Philadelphia.

After duly profiting by the advantages of the districts schools in his native county John D. McBride there attained the St. Clairsville High School until he had attained to the age of sixteen years. Thereafter he was employed by the month at farm work until he was twenty-two years old. He then became associated with his uncle, Daniel H. McBride, in the hardware and farm implement business at St. Clairsville Two years later he became traveling salesman for the Deering Harvester Company, which he thus effectively represented in the Pittsburgh territory during a period of six years. From that time forward to 1916 he held a similar position with the International Harvester Company, which he represented through the territory tributary to Cleveland, Ohio. He resided one year at Minerva, Stark County, Ohio, and in 1906 he established his residence at Warren, where he continued in the service of the International Harvester Company until he assumed the office of sheriff of Trumbull County January 1, 1916, he having been elected to this position in the preceding November. He gave a characteristically careful and vigorous administration throughout his term of two years, and thereafter devoted one year to real estate business at Warren.

In November, 1919, Mr. McBride was elected mayor of Warren, and in November, 1921, he was reelected for another term of two years. Certain salient points in the administration of Mayor McBride are properly mentioned here. Under his regime the city purchased the local waterworks plant and system, enlarged and improved the same and brought the service up to metropolitan standards, the plant now having a capacity of 8,000,000 gallons daily. The administration of Mayor McBride was marked also by the widening of various streets and by the effective zoning of the city. He was unremitting also in his efforts to effect strict observance of the national prohibition laws within his bailiwick, and "bootlegging" operations and operators found in him a formidable adversary. In 1920 the Mayor, as ex-officio police judge of Warren, collected more than $63,000, in fines, and the most of this amount was tribute thus involuntarily paid by those engaged in illegal handling of liquors, the amount of fines collected for that fiscal year having been greater than the total for the preceding ten years. Every measure and every enterprise that promise to advance the civic and material welfare of his home city received the loyal support of Warren's popular mayor, and few individually have been able to do more for the good of the city than he achieved.

Mr. McBride has ever given unequivocal allegiance to the democratic party, and has been prominent and influential in its local councils and campaign activities. He and his wife hold membership in the First Presbyterian Church of Warren. He was made a Mason at the age of twenty-one years in Belmont Lodge No. 16, Free and Accepted Masons, in his native county. His ancient craft affiliation is now with Old Erie Lodge No. 3 at Warren; he has served as senior councillor of Warren Council No. 222, United Commercial Travelers; and he is a member of Warren Lodge No. 295, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, besides being one of the active and valued members of the Warren Board of Trade. He has various real estate holdings at Warren, including his attractive home property at 921 East Market Street.

Mr. McBride was sheriff of Trumbull County in the World war period, and not only his official position but also his patriotic impulses moved him to strenuous service in furthering the various patriotic movements in this county, he having aided in the drives in support of the government war loans, in Red Cross work, etc., and having made his individual subscriptions as liberal as his resources justified.

May 15, 1895, at the home of the bride's parents, the late William and Martha Jane (Kinney) Bentley, near Belmont, Ohio, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. McBride and Miss Elma Sophronia Bentley, who was born and reared in Belmont County. The children of this union are two in number: Miss Mary Fay, now a popular teacher (1924) in the East Junior High School at Warren, was graduated from the college at Painesville, Ohio, and received therefrom the degree of Bachelor of Arts; Lyle Bentley is at the time of this writing a student in Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania.

Amos Harmon Englebeck is a member of the prominent Akron law firm of Commins, Brouse, Englebeck and McDowell. He is a comparatively young man in the profession, and has won distinction for his abilities as a trial lawyer. Mr. Englebeck was born on a farm near Port Clinton, in Ottawa County, Ohio, November 30, 1886, son of Charles G. and Jennie Fall Englebeck. His mother is now deceased. His father was an old time locomotive engineer of the New York Central Railway, and since retiring from the railroad has devoted himself to his farm interests near Port Clinton, being one of the peach growers in that fruit district. He has been active in the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Amos Harmon Englebeck grew up in that portion of Northwest Ohio that fringes the waters of Lake Erie. Some of his relatives were seafaring people, and his early ambition was for the life of a sailor. In the meantime he attended country schools, the Port Clinton High School, and finally directed his attention to the law and graduated from the law department of Ohio State University in 1908. He was admitted to the bar and began his practice at Akron as an associate in the office of Frank B. Burch, and four years later was admitted to partnership in the firm of Commins, Brouse, Englebeck and McDowell. Mr. Englebeck is a thorough scholar of the law, has a great deal of resourcefulness in the trial of cases, and his influence as a trial attorney is reinforced by his commanding physical presence.

At Ghent, Ohio, he has a small farm, and work on the farm constitutes his chief recreation. He is active in republican politics, and in 1920 was president

of the Akron Kiwanis Club, and in 1924 was elected president of the Akron Bar Association. He is a member of the Ohio State and American Bar associations, the University Club, the Blue Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Knights Templar Commandery and the Scottish Rite Consistory of Masonry. He also belongs to Yusef Khan Grotto No. 41 of Akron. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Englebeck married, October 15, 1914, Miss Martha H. Ozburn. She was born in Jo Daviess County, Illinois, daughter of the late Walter Ozburn. They have one daughter, Alice Jane Englebeck. Their son, Amos Harmon Englebeck, Jr., was born in 1917 and died in 1923. Mrs. Englebeck is an active member of the Church of Our Savior, Episcopal, at Akron. Mr. Englebeck served as Government appeal agent during the World war.

Fred P. McBerty, the resourceful and popular manager of the Federal Machine & Welder Company, one of the important industrial concerns in the City of Warren, Trumbull County, claims this city as the place of his nativity, his birth having here occurred September 25, 1869. He is a son of Robert and Harriet (Knowles) McBerty, the former of whom was born at Lockport, New York, in 1833, and the latter of whom was born in Canandaigua, that state, in 1837. Robert McBerty was reared and educated in the old Empire State, as was also his wife, their marriage having there been solemnized in the City of Lockport. Mr. McBerty was twenty-six years of age when he established his residence at Warren, Ohio, where he long owned and operated a planing mill, and was a successful business man and honored and influential citizen. He had the distinction of being a member of the City Council for three years, as representative of the Third Ward, and he was a leader in the local councils of the democratic party. The death of this sterling citizen of Warren occurred in the year 1919, and here his widow still maintains her home. Of the children the eldest is Frank R., who is president of the North Electric Company, manufacturers of telephone apparatus, at Galion, Crawford County, Ohio; Fred P., of this review, was the next in order of birth, and Carl E. resides in the City of Chicago, where he holds a position with the American Telegraph & Telephone Company.

Fred P. McBerty continued to attend the Warren public schools until he was seventeen years of age, and thereafter he served an apprenticeship of three and one-half years in the establishment of the Warren Machine Works. As a skilled machinist he was next employed one year in the machine shops of William Tod & Company at Youngstown, and he then returned to Warren. Here he was employed two years by the Packard Electric Company, and the ensuing two years found him rendering effective service in the capacity of master mechanic for the Warren Electric & Specialty Company. The next year he passed as an electrician in the United States revenue service, with headquarters at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and in 1898 he returned to his native city and became superintendent of the Warren Electric & Specialty Company. This position he retained until 1901, when he became superintendent of the Peerless Electric Company. With this Warren corporation he thus continued his connection until 1906, and he then organized the Peerless Transformer Company, of which he became the manager. In 1908 the concern was incorporated under the title of the Enterprise Electric Company, and Mr. McBerty became superintendent, a post which he retained until 1911, this company having been engaged in the manufacturing of electric transformers. The next progressive movement on the part of Mr. McBerty was in the organization of the National Electric Welder Company, which engaged in the manufacturing of electric welding machines. He served as secretary, treasurer and manager of this company until its plant and business were sold in 1917 to the Federal Machine & Welder Company, with which he has since continued as manager, the well equipped and thoroughly modern plant of this company at Warren being situated on Dana Avenue, and the concern being the largest of its kind in the world. At the factory employment is given to 150 operatives, and the products of the plant are shipped to all parts of the world.

The foregoing brief record indicates that Mr. McBerty has been closely associated with the advancing of the industrial and commercial interests of his native city, his loyalty to and appreciation of which are of the most insistent order. He is independent in politics, is a director of the Warren Manufacturers Association, and is here affiliated with Old Erie Lodge No. 3, Free and Accepted Masons, and Mahoning Chapter No. 66, Royal Arch Masons. His somewhat extensive real-estate holdings in the City of Warren include his handsome and modern home property at 29 Washington Avenue.

October 14, 1892, marked the marriage of Mr. McBerty and Miss Minnie Jones, daughter of Daniel Jones, who is a successful contractor and builder in Warren. Of the children of this first marriage of Mr. McBerty the followng brief record is available: Donald R., born October 4, 1893, resides in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he is engineer of the Homestead plant of the Carnegie Steel Works; Paul A., born July 11, 1905, has a position with the Warren & Swasey Company, manufacturers of machine tools in the City of Cleveland.

August 10, 1909, recorded the marriage of Fred P. McBerty and Mrs. Zella A. (Wilson) Helwick, whose parents are deceased, her father, William Wilson, having been a carpenter and contractor. Mrs. McBerty is secretary and treasurer of the Federal Machine & Welder Company, of which her husband is the manager.

Howard L. Griffith conducts one of the leading general insurance agencies in the City of Warren, county seat of Trumbull County, and is known as one of the progressive business men and substantial citizens of this attractive Ohio city.

Mr. Griffith was born at Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, March 14, 1873, and is a scion of a family, of Welsh origin, that was founded in the old Keystone State about the time of the War of the Revolution. The paternal grandparents of the subject of this review were Samuel and Elizabeth (Boone) Griffith, both of whom passed their entire lives in Pennsylvania. Samuel Griffith was born in Lancaster County, that state, in 1801, and he passed the greater part of his life at Canonsburg, where he was a successful contractor and builder and where his death occurred in the year 1861, his wife likewise having died in that city.

Samuel Griffith, Jr., father of Howard L., of this sketch, was born at Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, October 18, 1832, and there his death occurred June 7, 1908. He, like his father, long held place as a leading building contractor at Canonsburg, besides which he had large farm interests in that locality. He was influential in his community, was a republican in political adherence and served in various township offices, and he was a zealous member of the Presbyterian Church, as is also his widow, who still maintains her home at Canonsburg. In the Civil war period he served as a member of the Home Guards. His widow, whose maiden name was Margaret Hamilton, was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, March 31, 1843, and at Canonsburg she has an attractive home at 131 West College Street, where she still de-

lights to extend welcome and entertainment to her wide circle of friends in that community. Elizabeth, the first born of the children, died at the age of eleven years, and Howard L., of this review, was the next in order of birth; Roland H. is a successful farmer near Houston, Pennsylvania; Myrta is the wife of James M. White, a substantial farmer near Cadiz, Harrison County, Ohio; Margaret V. is the wife of William H. Niell, a civil engineer, and they reside with her widowed mother at Canonsburg, Pennsylvania; Ina T., youngest of the children, died at the age of twenty-one years.

The public schools of Chartiers Township, in his native county, gave to Howard L. Griffith his preliminary education, much of his childhood and youth having there been passed on his father's farm. In 1895 he was graduated from Canonsburg Academy, and his ambition for liberal education was further shown in his attending historic old Washington and Jefferson College at Washington, Pennsylvania, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1899 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Thereafter he continued his active association with the work and management of the old home farm, a portion of which he inherited, but in 1912 he sold his portion of the estate and came to Trumbull County, Ohio, where he engaged in the raising of pure-bred Guernsey cattle, with a farm near Leavittsburg. There he continued his productive activities until the year 1920, when he removed with his family to Warren, where he has since been successfully engaged in the general insurance business as local representative of a number of leading insurance corporations. His office headquarters are maintained at 29 Stone Block, and he has gained a substantial and representative clientage in the various departments of his business.

The political allegiance of Mr. Griffith is given to the republican party, and at Warren he and his wife are zealous members of the First Presbyterian Church, in which he gave five years of service in the office of elder. He is affiliated with Carl F. Clapp Lodge No. 655, Free and Accepted Masons, at Warren, where he is a member also of the Masonic Club, the Lions Club, and the Warren Automobile Club. In addition to his exceptionally fine home property at 24 Central Parkway, he owns also other valuable realty in Warren and its suburbs.

On the 26th of August, 1908, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Griffith and Miss Marion MacVean, daughter of James D. and Catherine (McColl) MacVean, who reside at LeRoy, New York, the father being a retired farmer and his ancestry tracing back to staunch Scotch origin, as does also that of his wife. Mrs. Griffith was graduated from Geneseo Normal College, at Geneseo, New York, is a woman of culture and gracious personality, and is a popular figure in the social activities of her home community. Mr. and Mrs. Griffith have two children, Helen K., who was born December 4, 1911, and James MacVean, who was born on the 18th of May, 1913. The attractive Griffith home in Warren is known for its gracious hospitality, with Mrs. Griffith as its popular chatelaine.

Dallas Keller is the leading representative of the automobile business in Salem, where he is owner of the Keller Automobile Company, dealers in and distributors of the Overland, Willys-Knight and Oakland cars and Reo Truck.

Mr. Keller was born in Columbiana County, August 5, 1881. He was reared on a farm and educated in the public schools, and his working environment was in the country until December, 1916, when he moved to Salem and established his present business.

For the first year he handled the Reo cars, and subsequently took the local agency for the Oakland and Willys-Knight cars. He is a member of the Automobile Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Keller married Miss Charity Hoke. They have two children, Donald and Richard.

Joshua C. Boone has been a practicing attorney in Columbiana County for forty-five years, is a former judge of the Probate Court, and has won high standing in the work of his profession and in the citizenship of his community.

Judge Boone was born in Salem, Ohio, April 22, 1856, son of Joshua J. and Leah (Heaton) Boone. As a boy at Salem he attended the grammar and high schools, and studied law in the office of J. A. Ambler and Son of Salem. He finished his literary education in the Phillips Andover Academy of Massachusetts, and in 1878 was admitted to the Ohio bar. Subsequently he was admitted to practice in the District, Circuit and Appellate courts of the United States. He has handled with an eminent degree of success an extensive general practice, including many interests outside his home county. In 1897 he was elected judge of the Probate Court, holding that office until 1903. He then resumed an individual practice, but in 1909 became a member of the law firm of Boone & Campbell.

Judge Boone is vice president and director of the Citizens Savings Bank and Trust Company of Salem, is president of the Salem City Hospital and vice president of the Carnegie Public Library. He is a member of the Columbiana County and Ohio State Bar associations, is a republican, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

He married on June 28, 1881, Miss Kate Thomas, of Salem, who is now deceased. Of the three children born to their marriage, only one is now living, G. Thomas Boone.

Charles Frederick Schnee is an Akron attorney specializing in corporation, income tax and other commercial branches of the law, eschewing altogether the criminal cases and jury trials of the general lawyer. His has been an altogether successful career in the law.

His father and grandfather both lived in Summit County, Ohio, but Charles Frederick was born while his parents occupied a farm near Kalamazoo, Michigan, on June 18, 1887. His grandfather was a tanner in Pennsylvania, and, coming to Ohio in 1864, established a home at Millheim, near Akron, where he followed farming until his death in 1872. Charles M. Schnee was born in Pennsylvania, in 1856, and was about eight years old when his parents moved to Ohio. In 1882, however, he left a farm in Springfield Township of Summit County to move to Michigan. He farmed near Kalamazoo until 1900, since which year his home has been in Akron, where he is now employed in the shipping department of the Akron Baking Company. He is a democrat, and an active member of the Trinity Lutheran Church. His wife, Sylvia Long, was born in 1858, and died in 1918.

Third in a family of four children, Charles F. Schnee was about thirteen when his parents established their home in Akron. His early schooling was acquired in Michigan, and was continued in the Akron High School and in Buchtel College, now Akron University, where he showed skill in baseball and was a member of the Delta Sigma Epsilon fraternity. Illness terminated his college course in 1907, and his law studies were pursued in the offices of Grant, Seiber and Mather. He was admitted to practice in the State of Ohio in December, 1910, and to the United States Supreme Court in 1916. In 1912 he became a partner of Charles R. Grant in the firm of Grant & Schnee, dissolved when the senior member was elected judge of the Court of Appeals for the Eighth District on Febru-

ary 9, 1913. His associate for two years following was Ford L. Carpenter, and from 1915 to January 1, 1922, he was head of the firm of Schnee, Grimm and Thomas. For two years he has continued an individual practice. He is at this time (1924) president of the Akron Law Library Association.

He has been entrusted with the legal details in the organization and administration of a number of corporations, including the Guaranty Mortgage Company, of which he is secretary and chairman of the executive committee; Federal Oil & Gas Company, of which he is secretary and general counsel; acting also in a similar capacity for the five subsidiaries of the Federal Oil; Long Lake Estates Improvement Company, president; Akron Equipment Company, secretary; Dime Savings Bank, attorney and stockholder; Pennsylvania Crude Oil Company of Pittsburgh, general counsel; and is secretary of the Pine Ridge Oil Company, producers in the Kentucky field.

Mr. Schnee is a member of the bar organizations, and during the World war was Government appeal agent for Summit County and chairman of district No. 1 of the Akron Legal Advisory Board. He is a republican, member of the City Club, plays an enthusiastic game of golf at the Portage Country Club, and is also a member of Fairlawn Gun Club, being an expert shot. He belongs to the Masonic Club, being affiliated with Adoniram Lodge No. 517, Free and Accepted Masons; Washington Chapter No. 25, Royal Arch Masons; Akron Commandery No. 25, Knights Templar; Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and has held chairs in various Masonic bodies.

Mr. Schnee married, at Akron in November, 1911, Miss Ellen Mitchell, a native of Cincinnati, but reared in Akron, where her father, John J. Mitchell, was for many years a cafe proprietor. Mrs. Schnee is active in all the societies of St. Vincent's Catholic Church. The four children born to Mr. and Mrs. Schnee were John Charles, who died at the age of six years, Frederick, William Joseph and Louise.

David R. Estabrook is one of the progressive and influential exponents of the real estate and insurance business in his native county, his offices being maintained at 504 Western Reserve Bank Building in the City of Warren.

On a farm that is now within the city limits of Warren, judicial center of Trumbull County, David Reed Estabrook was born June 28, 1876. His father, James A. Estabrook, now a resident of Phoenix, Arizona, was born in Hartford, Trumbull County, September 18, 1837, and is a son of Simon Reed Estabrook and Mary (Bushnell) Estabrook. Simon Reed Estabrook was born at Holden, Massachusetts, December 31, 1805, and his death occurred at Warren, Ohio, July 7, 1871, as the result of injuries which he received by being struck by a railroad train, which cut off one of his legs. In 1828 he wedded Miss Frances D. Scarborough, of Brooklyn, Connecticut, and her death occurred in June, 1834. In March, 1836, he married Miss Mary Bushnell, a daughter of Gen. Andrew Bushnell, of Hartford, Ohio, who served as an officer in the war of the Revolution and whose mortal remains rest in the cemetery at Hartford, Trumbull County. In 1838 Simon Reed Estabrook established his residence on his old homestead farm that is now a part of the City of Warren, and here he passed the remainder of his life, as did also his second wife, who died October 20, 1879. This farm later passed into the possession of his son James A., and finally passed to the ownership of the latter's son David R., the subject of this review. It was on this farm that David R. Estabrook was born and reared, and it is specially consistent that to him has been due its exploitation as one of the most attractive allotments or subdivisions of the City of Warren, he having platted the tract of 108 acres into lots and having instituted its development and improvement under the new conditions. The handling of this valuable property constitutes one of his most important and successful real-estate developments in his native county.

James A. Estabrook eventually became the owner of the old homestead farm mentioned in the foregoing paragraph, and to its cultivation and management he continued to give his attention many years. In 1909 he removed to Phoenix, Arizona, where he has since lived virtually retired. In an old-time log house that stood on the Parklan Road at Warren the marriage of James A. Estabrook and Martha Matilda Aldridge was solemnized June 26, 1867, and their devoted companionship, covering a period of more than half a century, was severed by the death of the loved wife and mother, who passed away at Phoenix, Arizona, December 3, 1921. Her birth occurred in Trumbull County, Ohio, in the year 1842. Mrs. Estabrook was a devout member of the Central Christian Church, while her husband gave many years of service as a deacon of the Presbyterian Church at Warren. His political allegiance was given to the republican party. Of the children the eldest is Edward Clayton, who was born June 13, 1868, and who now resides at San Jose, California, near which city he owns a fine fruit ranch; Mary Frances, who was born June 14, 1869, is the wife of Harry A. Diehl, who has been a shoe merchant at Phoenix, Arizona, for approximately thirty years; Simon Reed (II) was born September 26, 1872, and died May 5, 1874; John Bushnell, who was born May 11, 1874, is manager of the Sunlight Electric Manufacturing Company at Warren; David Reed, the immediate subject of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; and Florence Mattie, who was born August 2, 1879, died December 27, 1881.

David R. Estabrook was graduated from the Warren High School as a member of the class of '95, and thereafter he was for one year a student in the University of Ohio. He then entered the Bliss Electrical School in the City of Washington, District of Columbia, and in this institution he was graduated in 1898, with the degree of Bachelor of Electricity. After his return home he held a position with the Warren Electric & Specialty Company, manufacturers of incandescent lamps, until the plant and business were sold to the General Electric Company in 1903. Mr. Estabrook then became associated with the organizing of the Peerless Electric Company, and assisted in the erection of its plant at Warren. With this concern he became electrical engineer and superintendent of the shops, which dual office he continued to hold ten years, or until the spring of 1917, when he engaged in the real estate and insurance business, of which he has become one of the prominent and influential representatives in his native county.

In the World war period Mr. Estabrook was instant in patriotic service of varied orders. He resigned his membership in the City Council of Warren to become director of safety at Warren, and of this office he continued the incumbent during the greater part of the year of 1919. He is at the present time (1924) again a member of the City Council, in which he is serving the second year of his elective term. He was actively identified with the various drives in connection with World war activities in Trumbull County, and was specially successful in the selling of the Government war bonds. He registered for military service September 12, 1918, but was not called into active service, as the armistice brought the war to a close in the following month.

In politics Mr. Estabrook is found loyally aligned in the ranks of the republican party, and though he is a member of the Presbyterian Church, he now affiliates with the Methodist Episcopal Church, of

Fred T. Childs

which his wife is a member. He is an active member of the Trumbull Club, the oldest business men's club at Warren, and he is president of the Lions Club at Warren. He is a member and has served as president of the Warren Real Estate Board, of which he is now a director, and he is a director of the Sunlight Electric Manufacturing Company. His extensive real estate holdings in Warren and at other points in Trumbull County include his attractive home property in the new allotment on North Tod Avenue.

June 28, 1901, recorded the marriage of Mr. Estabrook and Miss Frances Cornelia Bailey, daughter of Nelson H. and Minnie (Roberts) Bailey, the former of whom is deceased and the latter of whom is a a loved member of the family circles of Mr. and Mrs. Estabrook. Mr. Bailey, who was a stone mason by trade, served several years as a member of the County Board of Commissioners of Trumbull County, and was a resident of Warren at the time of his death. Mrs. Estabrook received the advantages of the Warren public schools and is, like her husband, a graduate of the high school in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Estabrook have three children: Dorothy Ruth was born in August, 1904, and is now (1924) a student in the Margaret Morrison School in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, this school being a part of the great Carnegie Institute; James Bailey, the second child, was born April 7, 1909, and Virginia Mae was born in November, 1918.

Earl G. King, who is engaged in the practice of law in the City of Warren, judicial center of Trumbull County, has here gained place as one of the representative lawyers of the younger generation in his native county.

Mr. King was born at Bristolville, Trumbull County, on the 26th of February, 1893, and is a son of John and Lucy Ann (Mullen) King, the former of whom was born in the Township of Boyle, County Roscommon, Ireland, February 12, 1851, and the latter of whom was born in Mecca Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, April 25, 1860, their home being still maintained at Bristolville. The subject of this review is their only surviving child, and the younger of the two children was John Burdette, who died in infancy. John King was reared and educated in his native land, and there learned the trade of stone mason. He was twenty-five years of age when he come to the United States and established his residence at Bristolville, Ohio. He was for many years in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and since 1921 he has lived retired, one of the substantial and highly respected citizens of Bristolville.

Earl G. King is indebted to the public schools of his native village for his earlier educational discipline, and in 1911 he was graduated from the high school at Warren. In the advancing of his studies along academic lines he thereafter entered the Ohio State University, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of '15, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In the law department of the university he thereafter completed the prescribed curriculm, and in the same he was graduated in 1917, his admission to the bar having been virtually coincident with his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws. At the university he became affiliated with the Delta Theta Phi law fraternity.

Not long was it given the ambitious young attorney to follow the practice of his profession after his admission to the bar of his native state, in June, 1917, for in the meanwhile the nation had become involved in the World war, and with characteristic loyalty he soon tendered his services to his country. On the 27th of April, 1918, he was inducted in the United States Army, and at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, he was assigned to an infantry regiment. On the 8th of the following month, as a member of Company I, Three Hundred and Thirty-second Infantry, Eighty-third Division, he sailed with his command from the port of New York City, and on the 17th of June the troops landed at La Havre, France. Mr. King was thereafter stationed at Donne Marie, France, one month, and he was then assigned to service in Italy, where he was stationed with his command along the Piave, between Treviso and Venice. He participated in the Battle of Vittorio, Venetia, a major offensive, and was at the time serving as corporal of his original company and regiment. From December, 1918, until March, 1919, Mr. King was in service with the food commission at Trieste, France, and on the 29th of the latter month he embarked on the home voyage, he having landed in the port of the national metropolis on the 14th of April, and having thence returned to Camp Sherman, Ohio, where he received his honorable discharge May 3, 1919.

On the 16th of July, 1919, Mr. King established an office in the City of Warren, where he has since continued in the practice of his profession in connection with civil cases, his practice being of general order and showing a constantly cumulative tendency. His law offices are at 501-2 Western Reserve Bank Building. Mr. King is a popular member of the Trumbull County Bar Association, is a republican in political adherency, and he still holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church in his native town of Bristolville. At West Farmington he is affiliated with Western Reserve Lodge No. 507, Free and Accepted Masons; at Warren he is a member of Mahoning Chapter No. 66, Royal Arch Masons, and Warren Council No. 58, Royal and Select Masters, besides which he is a member of Ali Baba Grotto of the Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, and is an active member of the Lions Club in his home city.

October 23, 1919, marked the marriage of Mr. King and Miss Helen Brinkerhoff, daughter of Dr. Edward and Bertha (Phelps) Brinkerhoff, of Bristolville, where her father is a leading physician and surgeon. Mr. and Mrs. King have three children, Jean Elizabeth, born January 14, 1921; Patricia Ann, born December 13, 1922, and John Edward, born February 11, 1924.

Frederick Thomas Childs was for some years engaged in successful real estate operations at Akron before he took up the practice of law. His father before him had been a well known attorney, and the name is one of most favorable associations in Summit County and vicinity.

Most of his life has been spent in Ohio, but he was born at Marion, Grant County, Indiana, May 13, 1884, youngest of the four children of Thomas L. and Malinda (McFarran) Childs. His father was born in England, came to America with his parents at the age of fifteen, and lived at Cuyahoga Falls, where he studied law. For a time he practiced at Marion, Indiana, but in 1891 returned to Cuyahoga Falls and subsequently had law offices at Barberton and Akron. In early manhood he had followed his trade as shoemaker while studying law. He became successful both in his profession and in business, was one of the promoters of the Akron-Canton electric interurban line, and laid out the first allotment at Lawndale, now a fine residence section of Akron. His death occurred December 15, 1921, at the age of seventy-one, while his wife passed away in 1891.

Frederick Thomas Childs attended public schools in Akron, Barberton and Cuyahoga Falls, and graduated Bachelor of Laws from the Ohio Northern University in 1906, being a member of the Adelphion Society there. After a brief period of law practice at Fort Wayne, Indiana, he returned to Akron in 1908,

becoming an active member of the firm Kimball-Childs Realty Company, general real estate and brokerage. His operations in the real estate field also extended to Youngstown, but in 1922, having been admitted to the Ohio bar, he directed his energies to the building up of a general law practice, which has since absorbed his time.

He is a member of the Summit County and Ohio State Bar associations, is a republican, belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his two main hobbies are reading and horseshoe pitching. At Youngstown he married Miss Elsie L. Breetz, whose father, John Breetz, is a farmer and dairyman at Youngstown. They have three children, Thomas Frederick, Blanche M. and Clara M.

Lewis P. Metzger has been one of the prominent attorneys of Columbiana County for many years, having practiced at Salem since 1895. He is senior member of the law firm of Metzger and McCarthy.

Mr. Metzger was born April 25, 1873, was educated in public schools and finished his literary training in Kenyon College at Gambier. He finished the law course in Valparaiso University in Indiana, was admitted to the bar in 1895, and at once located at Salem. He has had an extensive general practice as a lawyer since that time, and has also rendered public service, having been city solicitor of Salem from 1900 to 1906 and prosecuting attorney of Columbiana County from 1909 to 1913.

Mr. Metzger is a member of the Columbiana County and Ohio State Bar associations. He is a Mason, Shriner and Elk, and a republican in politics. He and his family are members of the Christian Church. He married Miss Nettie Farr, and they have one son, South Metzger.

Wick Young, who is the efficient and popular superintendent of the Wick Building, one of the most modern and important business and office buildings in the City of Youngstown, the vital industrial metropolis and judicial center of Mahoning County, was born in Mercer County, Pennsylvania, in the year 1884, and is a son of Marcus C. and Euphemia (McDowell) Young, both likewise natives of the old Keystone State. Marcus C. Young was born and reared in Mercer County, Pennsylvania, and there learned in his youth the trade of carpenter. In his independent career in his native state he became not only a contractor in the erection of buildings but also in building rigs for use in the oil fields. In 1891 he came with his family to Youngstown, Ohio, and here he built up a substantial and prosperous business as a contractor and builder, with which important line of enterprise he here continued his active alliance until his death in 1920, his wife having passed away in 1887, at the old home in Pennsylvania.

Wick Young was a lad of seven years at the time when the family home was established at Youngstown, and here he gained his early education by attending the public schools. At the age of fifteen years he began to assist in his father's contracting and building operations, and his association with that line of activity continued the greater part of the time until 1910, since which year he has held the position of superintendent of the Wick Building.

Mr. Young is a republican in national politics, but in local affairs gives his support to men and measures meeting the approval of his judgment and without reference to partisan lines. He is an active member of the Youngstown Chamber of Commerce, has received in the time-honored Masonic fraternity the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides which he is a Noble of Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine in the City of Cleveland, in which he served one year as captain of the degree team. He is a member of the Youngstown Shrine Club, and he and his wife hold membership in the First Baptist Church.

The year 1906 recorded the marriage of Mr. Young and Miss Rachel Reese, who was born at Sodom, Trumbull County, Ohio, and whose parents, John and Matilda (Lamb) Reese, likewise were reared in this state, the former at Hubbard, Trumbull County, and the latter at Youngstown. Mr. and Mrs. Young have no children.

Charles Westlake. Indentified with some of the important movements in real estate and the coal industry, Charles Westlake is recognized as one of the forceful business men of Youngstown, and one whose good judgment and sound principles are of constructive value to his community. While he is progressive, he never allows himself to be carried away by undue enthusiasm, but only goes into an undertaking after he has considered the proposition on all sides and weighed its possibilities and probabilities.

Charles Westlake was born at Youngstown, in 1854, a son of Covington and Laura J. (Dabney) Westlake. Covington Westlake was born in New Hamburg, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, a son of Josiah Westlake. Laura J. Dabney was born in Austintown, Ohio, a daughter of Gardner and Catherine (Van Wie) Dabney, also natives of Austintown, Ohio. After marriage Covington Westlake was made mine inspector of the old Crab Creek Mines, near Youngstown, but later went on a farm now known as Westlakes Crossing, and conducted a dairy farm from 1850 to 1868, when he went into a grocery business. Three years later he sold, and went on the road as a traveling salesman for the Youngstown Rolling Mill Company. He continued to represent this company on the road, and was one of the stockholders, until 1878, when he sold his stock and moved to Warren, Ohio, and there he died December 10, 1883. Following his demise his widow moved back to Youngstown, where she died in February, 1913.

Until he was eighteen years old Charles Westlake attended the common schools, and then became an assistant of Mr. E. C. Wells in the Youngstown Rolling Mill Company, and later, in 1878, had charge of the workings of the mill. For a year he was with his father in Warren. Returning to Youngstown, he became general manager of the Witchhazel Coal Company, whose mine worked out in 1887. For some years thereafter he was connected with the Youngstown Rolling Mills, but is now secretary and treasurer of the Witchhazel Coal Company's new properties. He is also secretary of the Jefferson Mining Company, of the Northeastern Ohio Real Estate Company, and is secretary of the H. B. Wick Land Company, is treasurer of the Poland Avenue Land Company, and is otherwise interested in local enterprises.

In 1878 Mr. Westlake married Edith M. Hughes, of Youngstown, a daughter of Capt. William and Abigail (Ruprecht) Hughes, Mrs. Westlake died in July, 1918. Mr. and Mrs. Westlake have one son, Charles, who resides at Youngstown, Ohio.

Mr. Charles Westlake belongs to the First Christian Church of Youngstown. He is a republican, and originated the good roads movement in this region, and established District No. 1 of Mahoning County, Ohio. Fraternally he holds a life membership in Youngstown Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Ralph R. Klingler. The Youngstown representative of the Aetna Life and affiliated insurance companies, with offices in the Terminal Building, Ralph R. Klingler was one of the youngest officers supplied by Ohio to the American forces in the World war.

John B. Sieber

His record of service and experience in military affairs is notable.

He was born at Ada, Ohio, June 21, 1895, son Orion and Emma (Foucht) Klingler, his parents being natives of Ada. His grandparents were John and Mary (Cummins) Klingler, the former a native of Sommerset, Perry County, Ohio, and the latter of Hancock County, Ohio. The maternal grandfather, Samuel Foucht, was born at Upper Sandusky, Wyandot County, Ohio. Orion Klingler is a farm owner, owning the farm which had once belonged to his father, and was in the grain elevator business, but is now retired from active business.

Ralph R. Klingler grew up at Ada, where he attended high school and the Ohio Northern University. His connection with the Ohio National Guard began in 1911, when he was sixteen years of age. In 1916 he accompanied his command to the Mexican border, remaining on duty there ten months. Shortly after his return home he went to Fort Sheridan, Chicago, and was commissioned a captain in the United States Army, being at that time the youngest captain in the American forces. He was assigned duty with the Eighty-third Division, and in May, 1918, went overseas, spending a brief time in England, going then to La Havre, France, and on to Foulaine, near Chaumont, the general headquarters of the American Army. Six months later he was commanding a battalion, and was part of the small contingent of American troops sent to the Italian front. From Verona, Italy, he moved into the front lines on the Piave River, taking part in the grand offensive October and November, 1918. The accidental discharge of a gun on Friday the 13th of September killed seven of his fellow officers, and he was wounded, having three pieces of shrapnel in his left leg. However, he was in the hospital only one week. For two weeks he was adjutant of his regiment, and was then made personnel adjutant, in charge of all money, pay allowances. With one companion he made a trip to Brindisi, Italy, sailing on an Italian destroyer to Cattaro, Montenegro, carrying $100,000 in a suitcase. After paying off this money, accompanied by Schuyler Liggett, a Red Cross man from New York, and Sgt. Evan J. Rummell, a Youngstown attorney, he sailed for Venice, Italy, remaining there four days, and in January, 1919, went to Treviso, Italy, and again was commissioned to make a similar trip, this time with $50,000, to Fiume. After completing his commission he returned to Tureso and was then ordered to Genoa, Italy, to arrange transportation for his regiment back to United States. He secured four Italian liners to take the troops home. His regiment, consisting of 3,600 men, was stationed at Hotel Merimaree, the largest hotel in Europe. After the regiment sailed Captain Klingler remained behind and, going to Paris, was assigned to duty at Tours, France, having duties in connection with the return of troops home. After six weeks he was sent to Antwerp, Belgium, being made personnel adjutant of American troops in Holland. Then followed a special mission, connected with pay, to Coblenz and Cologne, after which he returned to Antwerp and on September 2, 1919, he himself sailed from Rotterdam, Holland, on the same boat with Ambassador Whitlock of Toledo, Jane Addams of Chicago and other celebrities. The ship landed at New York September 16, 1919, and shortly afterwards Captain Klingler resigned. On October 1, 1919, he was commissioned a major in the Officers' Reserve Corps.

Following this military experience he was at Akron and entered the employ of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, becoming assistant service manager of the Cleveland branch, resigning in June, 1920. He was made district manager of the Aetna Life and affiliated companies at Youngstown, and in this capacity handled a prosperous volume of business, including all the branches of service of this old organization, both in service and bonding points. Captain Klingler is also a director in the Lincoln Savings & Loan Company.

He married in June, 1923, Elizabeth Nowell, a native of Youngstown and daughter of Joe and Mary (Brown) Nowell. Mr. Klingler is a member of the Reformed Church, is a democrat, is affiliated with St. Albans Lodge No. 677 of the Masonic order, Lodge 493, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and has served as adjutant and commander of the American Legion Post at Akron. He is president of the Thirty-second Infantry Association, composed of troops who served in Italy. He is a member of the Cleveland Grays. Captain Klingler belongs to the Akron Young Men's Christian Association, and is first vice president of the Optimist Club of Youngstown.

Harry Preston McCoy, a Youngstown attorney, has in the years of his experience been identified with educational work, with business and banking, and is also a veteran of the World war.

He was born near Rarden, in Scioto County, Ohio, May 20, 1879, son of James N. and Ruth V. (Cartwright) McCoy, and a grandson of James McCoy, a native of West Virginia, and of Peter Cartwright. His parents were born in Pike County, Ohio, and after their marriage settled in Scioto County. During the latter part of his life James McCoy was a contractor. He died in 1908, and his widow now lives at Cynthiana in Pike County.

Harry Preston McCoy attended public school at Cynthiana, Ohio, the University of Wooster, and in 1912 graduated from the Youngstown School of Law. In the meantime he had been engaged in teaching and school administration. From 1902 to 1908 he was superintendent of the East Youngstown and Coitsville schools, and in 1908 became school principal in the City of Youngstown.

Mr. McCoy in 1917 attended the Officers' Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, and was commissioned a second lieutenant of infantry. In the summer of 1918 he went overseas with the rank of first lieutenant, and participated in the Meuse-Argonne campaign. He returned to the United States in July, 1919, and immediately resumed his law practice. In November, 1919, he was elected to fill an unexpired term in the Ohio State Senate, and was elected for the regular term in 1920, and reelected in 1922, his present term expiring January 1, 1925. Mr. McCoy is a member of the Kiwanis Club, is a Quaker in religion, is a republican and a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

Joseph Byron Sieber was born in Akron, had the cultural and professional opportunities of some of the best universities in the country, and since 1911 has been successfully engaged in law practice with his honored father, Hon. George W. Sieber, whose career as an Ohio attorney is sketched elsewhere in this publication.

Joseph Byron Sieber was born at Akron December 26, 1886, son of George W. and Elsie C. (Metz) Sieber. He graduated from the Akron grammar schools in 1900, from high school in June, 1904, attended Adelbert College of Western Reserve University during 1904-05, and completed his classical education in Yale University, where he graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1908. He took his law degree in Harvard Law School in 1911, was admitted to the Massachusetts bar August 25, 1911, to the Ohio bar on December 23, 1911, and in 1920 was admitted to practice in the United States District Court.

From 1911 to 1917 Mr. Sieber was associated with his father in the firm of Sieber & Sieber, the firm was Sieber, Martineau, Snyder & Sieber during 1917-

18 and Sieber, Snyder & Sieber during 1918-20. During 1920 it became Sieber, Snyder, Sieber & Amer, and is now Sieber, Sieber & Amer. The firm specialize and handle an extensive practice in corporation and trust law.

In the republican primaries of 1924 Mr. Sieber was one of the eight candidates for the nomination for governor of Ohio. Polling over one hundred thousand votes, he had the distinction of running second to former Governor Harry L. Davis.

Joseph B. Sieber has been one of the prominent younger men in Akron's social and civic affairs, for the past twelve years. During the World war he was vice-chairman of the Selective Draft Board of Division No. 4, a member of the Speakers Committee in all Liberty Loan drives. He is a member of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity, the City Club, the Portage Country Club, Fairlawn Heights Golf Club and University Club. His favorite recreations are golf and hunting big game in Maine. Mr. Sieber is a York and Scottish Rite Mason, and a charter member of Tadmor Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Akron. He is a past monarch of Yusef Khan Grotto of Akron, Ohio, and a grand officer of the Supreme Council of the Grotto, Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm.

He organized and is a past president of the Akron Exchange Club, has served as national vice president, and is now a member of the national board of control of the National Exchange Clubs. For two years he was president of the Ohio Affiliated Exchange Clubs, he is a member of the National Geographic Society, a member of the Yale Alumnae Association of Cleveland and the Associated Western Yale Clubs, a member of the Summit County, Ohio State and American Bar associations was treasurer of the Akron City Republican Committee of 1915, and has long been a working member of the republican party in Akron, being a member of the central committee. He married at Easton, Maine, November 28, 1911, Miss Leila Marian Tuttle.

James A. Murray, who for many years has been well known in the steel industry of Youngstown, is a justice of the peace at East Youngstown.

He was born in County Galway, Ireland, June 6, 1883, and a few weeks later his parents, Patrick and Bridget (Burk) Murray, came to America, locating at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. James A. Murray was educated in public and parochial schools at Braddock, Pennsylvania, but at the age of thirteen went to work. His first duty was water carrier in steel mills. In 1900, at the age of seventeen, he came to Youngstown, and was a millwright in the steel mills. Mr. Murray in 1913 was made marshal of East Youngstown, and served in that capacity until 1923, when he was elected justice of the peace, with offices both in East Youngstown and Youngstown.

In December, 1909, he married Miss Elizabeth Kelley, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of John and Emma Kelley. They have three children, Louise, James and Earl. Mr. Murray is a republican in politics, and is affiliated with Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Lodge No. 79 of the Loyal Order of Moose.

Angelo Herbert Bennell took up the life insurance business after a long and successful experience as a salesman for one of the great industrial corporations at Youngstown.

He was born in London, England, June 13, 1885, and came to the United States in 1889. His parents, Judge A. J. and Mary Langham Bennell, have since resided at Morristown, New Jersey, where his father is a judge of the Municipal Court.

Angelo Herbert Bennell attended school at Morristown, and at the age of sixteen became an employe in the First National Bank of that city. He remained in the service of this bank until he was twenty-two, when he entered Yale University at New Haven, Connecticut. He graduated from the Sheffield Scientific School with the class of '12. In university he was a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

Immediately after the close of his university career Mr. Bennell came to Youngstown, and for ten years was in the sales department of the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company. On May 1, 1922, he took up the life insurance business as special agent at Youngstown for the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York.

During the war, 1917-19, he was captain of Company B. of the Youngstown Volunteer Infantry. He was chairman of the Red Cross 1924 Roll Call in Youngstown. Mr. Bennell is a Royal Arch Mason, a member of the Youngstown Club, the Exchange Club, and is a member and deacon of the First Presbyterian Church. On February 3, 1916, he married Laura Belle Powers, a native of Youngstown, daughter of Frank W. and Lide (Ward) Powers. Mr. and Mrs. Bennell have two children: Charles Herbert, who was born at Youngstown, March 16, 1917, and David Lankham, born May 25, 1920.

Osborne Mitchell is a Youngstown attorney, and has been engaged as special counsel and in the general practice of corporation law there for ten years.

He was born at Washington in Washington County, Pennsylvania, August 18, 1886, son of James Kelly and Frances (Osborne) Mitchell, being Scotch-Irish on his father's side and English in the maternal line of ancestry. Mr. Mitchell's grandfather, Zachariah S. Mitchell, was a resident of Ohio County, West Virginia, being a son of Alexander Mitchell and a grandson of Capt. John Mitchell. Capt. John Mitchell was a resident of Ohio County, Pennsylvania, and Franklin County, Pennsylvania. The wife of Zachariah S. Mitchell was Ann W. Baird, of Washington County, Pennsylvania. Her great-grandfather, Lieut. John Baird, was an officer in the Braddock Expeditionary Forces at Fort Duquesne, and was subsequently killed at the Battle of Grant's Hill under General Forbes.

The son of John Baird was Absalom Baird, a surgeon and officer in the Revolutionary Army, and his son, George Baird, was a resident of Washington County, Pennsylvania.

James Kelly Mitchell, father of the Youngstown attorney, is a banker and broker at Washington, Pennsylvania. His wife, Frances Jane Osborne, was the oldest daughter of Joseph Freeman Osborne, of Clarksburg, West Virginia. Osborne Mitchell is an alumnus of Washington and Jefferson College at Washington, Pennsylvania, where he took his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1907 and the Master of Arts degree in 1910. From 1905 to 1907 he was a staff reporter for the Washington Observer, and from 1907 to 1909 was secretary of the Washington Board of Trade. In 1909 he was admitted to the practice of law before all Pennsylvania courts and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1915.

Mr. Mitchell moved to Youngstown in 1914 and engaged in the practice of corporation law. Since 1919 he has been interested in the success of several republican campaigns, as a member of state and county central committees, also acting as chairman and manager of the Warren G. Harding Campaign Committee for the Nineteenth Ohio Congressional District at the primaries of 1920 and as recording secretary and president of the Union League Club. He is a member of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Union League Club of Mahoning County, in college was a Beta Theta Pi, and is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Youngstown.

On February 7, 1911, at Washington, Pennsylvania, he married Miss Nelle E. Foster, daughter of

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Edward L. and Emma J. Foster, of Washington. Her father was secretary and treasurer of the Union Trust Company of Washington, Pennsylvania. The four children born to their marriage are: James Edward, Jane Frances, Helen Madeleine and Anthony Baird Mitchell.

WARREN HENDERSON SMITH, who located at Youngstown after the war, has proved his capabilities in the sales and advertising fields, and is now district agent of Youngstown for the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Smith was born at St. Louis, Missouri, July 23, 1893, son of George Warren and May (Henderson) Smith. His father was a native of St. Louis and his mother was born at Norfolk, Virginia, where the parents were married. George W. Smith was a salesman for the Buxton & Skinner Company, printers and stationers of St. Louis.

Warren Henderson Smith graduated from the Soldan High School in 1912, and was employed in St. Louis for several years. Just before the World war he became executive secretary for the Knot-Hole Gang in the service of the National League Baseball Club of St. Louis and the Young Men's Christian Association. Then, following a month of special training in the Young Men's Christian Association College (war work), at Chicago, he was assigned to duties at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, in charge of the "Y" work with the Second Regiment.

In February, 1919, Mr. Smith came to Youngstown for the Young Men's Christian Association. When he left that institution he was in charge of advertising and sales for the "Y" schools. In May, 1922, he became manager of the business department of the Morris Plan Bank, and since May, 1923, has been district manager for the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Smith married, August 4, 1920, Annelle Balson, a native of St. Louis, and daughter of William Scott and Daisy (Pipe) Balson, also natives of that Missouri city. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are members of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. In politics he holds himself independent. He is secretary of St. Albans Lodge of Masons, is a member of the Mystic Shrine, the Youngstown Exchange Club, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Youngstown Advertising Club.

HARRY M. LOWELL, M. D. Few of the younger men in medicine and surgery bring to their profession a more exhaustive training and experience than Doctor Lowell, a prominent surgeon at Hamilton, Ohio.

Doctor Lowell was born at Stevens Point, Wisconsin, May 18, 1890, son of Henry M. and Ellen Mary Lowell. His boyhood was spent at Stevens Point, where he attended the public schools. After that his education was continued in Chicago, where for one year he attended the Holy Angel School, and in 1908 graduated from the St. James High School. For two years he was a student in the University of Chicago, and did his regular medical course in Northwestern University, where he remained four years, graduating in 1914.

After graduating Doctor Lowell was for eighteen months a special student and attendant at the Cook County Hospital at Chicago. For two years he attended the Mayo Brothers Clinic at Rochester, Minnesota. He also has a record of military service in the late war. As captain of the army medical corps he was in Hospital Corps No. 49, attached to the Eighty-sixth Division with the American Expeditionary Forces. While in France he pursued a special course at the University of Beoune Cate D'Or. Doctor Lowell received his honorable discharge in July, 1919, after a year of service. Following that he returned to the Cook County Hospital at Chicago, doing special work there for six months, and in December, 1919, located at Hamilton, where he has a busy practice as a physician and surgeon.

Doctor Lowell is a member of the Association of Resident and Ex-resident Physicians of Mayo Clinic. He belongs to the Butler County, the Ohio State and American Medical associations, and the Alpha Kappa Kappa medical fraternity. At Hamilton he is a member of the Lions Club, and the American Legion Post.

In 1918, at Chicago, he married Miss Mary McDonough, daughter of Michael J. and Marion McDonough. She was educated in the St. James Normal Training School at Chicago. Doctor and Mrs. Lowell have two children: Marion M., born in 1919, and Lenore, born in 1921.

JAMES BURTRAM HUBER has been in practice as an attorney in Akron for over twenty years, is a native of that city, and in 1913 was honored with election as president of the Akron Bar Association.

He was born at Akron December 12, 1878, son of Henry and Rachel (James) Huber. His early education was acquired in the grammar and high schools of his native city, and he studied law in the office of Slabaugh & Seiberling. During 1901-02 he had a valuable experience as private secretary to United States Senator Theodore Burton of Cleveland. Mr. Huber was admitted to the bar in 1902, and engaged in individual practice until 1908. He then became associated with the law firm of Slabaugh & Seiberling, and is a member of one of the largest law firms in this section of the state, Slabaugh, Young, Seiberling, Huber & Guinther.

Mr. Huber was elected president of the Akron Chamber of Commerce in 1921. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, member of the Masonic Club, the City Club, the Portage Country Club, the Fairlawn Heights Golf Club, and belongs to the County and State Bar associations.

OTTO WILLIAM WENDELL, active vice president of the Zanesville Bank and Trust Company, has been identified in progressive importance of responsibilities with the commercial life of that city for a quarter of a century.

Mr. Wendell was born in a log cabin located on Beaver Creek, near Batesville, in Beaver Township, Noble County, Ohio, June 13, 1878, son of William and Jennie (Wagoner) Wendell. His father owned and operated a Noble County farm, and in 1880 went West, making his home at Coffeyville, Kansas, and was in the Government service in matters involving his presence over the state line in old Indian Territory. He was one of the men who captured and broke up the famous Dalton gang of bank robbers near Coffeyville. He finally had to return to Noble County on account of illness, and died there when still a young man. His widow now lives at Zanesville.

Otto William Wendell grew up in Noble County, had only the advantages of the common schools at Batesville, and as a small boy had to become a bread winner, working on farms and accepting employment whenever he could get it. When he was eighteen years old he came to Zanesville, a penniless youth, and went to work with the Bailey Drug Company at a small wage. He remained there until the outbreak of the Spanish-American war in the spring of 1898, and then enlisted in Company L of the Tenth Ohio Volunteers. During his nine months in the army he was stationed in Ohio, Pennsylvania and at Augusta, Georgia.

After his honorable discharge he resumed work with the Bailey Drug Company, but soon joined the

Wiles Grocery Company, and that company had the benefit of his capable service for over fifteen years. In 1913, with a cousin, Mr. Wendell established the Wendell Auto Tire Service, a business dealing in tire and automobile accessories. He operated this successfully until 1918, when he sold out and endeavored to get into the army for service in the World war. He applied for service in the Motor Transport Corps, but the signing of the armistice anticipated his commission and active duty. He had been identified with all the organizations and committees handling local war problems.

At the close of 1918 Mr. Wendell engaged in the investment business, and in 1919 organized and became active vice president of the Zanesville Bank & Trust Company. The management of this successful institution devolves upon him personally. He has served as president of the Muskingum Motor Club, and took an active part in its organization. He has been identified with the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations to help the town and to all such movements his influence and support are committed. He is a participant in the work though not a member of the Central Presbyterian Church. Fraternally he is affiliated with Amity Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Zanesville Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Zanesville Council, Royal and Select Masters; Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite; the Masonic Club, and the Zanesville Golf Club. The chief object of his social interests, however, is boy welfare. Mr. Wendell married Miss Kate Matthew, of Zanesville, daughter of the late William H. Matthew.

Elmer Ellsworth Schley, secretary and general manager of the Youngstown Mantel & Tile Company, one of the substantial and important business concerns in the City of Youngstown, has a due satisfaction in claiming the old Keystone State of the Union as the place of his nativity, and is a scion of the fourth generation of the Schley family in the United States. His grandfather, Samuel Schley, was born at Frederickstown, Maryland, and was a son of John Thomas Schley, who with his brothers, came from his native Germany and early made settlement at Frederickstown, Maryland, where the family became one of prominence and influence and where, it is interesting to record, the first white child there born was a representative of the Schley family. Frederickstown is the birthplace of Rear Admiral Scott Schley, who became famous at the Battle of Santiago, is also a scion of the fourth generation of the Schley family. Samuel Schley eventually moved from Maryland to Beaver County, Pennsylvania, and in the latter state he passed the remainder of his life.

Elmer Ellsworth Schley, third in order of birth in a family of four children, was born in Beaver County, Pennsylvania, August 6, 1865, and is a son of Thomas Jefferson and Caroline (Conn) Schley, of Beaver County, Pennsylvania. Thomas J. Schley established his residence in Beaver County in the year 1845, there continued for many years to be successfully engaged in the general contracting business, and there he and his wife maintained their home until their death. Of their other children it may be recorded that Mary is the widow of H. D. Reno, and resides at Rochester, Pennsylvania; Isaac is deceased; Samuel P. resides at New Brighton, Pennsylvania, and Anna is deceased.

After having profited by the discipline of the public schools of Beaver and Bridgewater, Pennsylvania, Elmer E. Schley took a course in a business college at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, that state, and at New Brighton he thereafter had for five years the management of a general merchandise store. He then became a salesman of tile used for interior decorating, and in this connection he devoted ten years to traveling as representative of a leading house of this order in the City of Pittsburgh. He then came to Youngstown, Ohio, and assumed the position of manager of the tile and marble department of the establishment of the Homer S. Williams Company. Four years later he retired from this position and became associated with Hayes Dalzell in the organization of the Youngstown Mantel & Tile Company, of which he has since continued the secretary and general management, Clyde W. Osborne being president of the company and H. N. Merriman its treasurer. This progressive corporation, with the best of facilities, has developed a large and prosperous business in the handling of tile for interior decoration and various architectural purposes of similar order.

Mr. Schley is a director of the Youngstown Builders' Exchange. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, in their home city he and his wife are members of Brown Memorial Church, of which he is a trustee, and he is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, in which his ancient craft alliance is with St. Albans Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. While a resident of New Brighton, Pennsylvania, Mr. Schley served as a member of the city council, besides which he was for two terms a member of the local board of education.

June 10, 1886, recorded the marriage of Mr. Schley and Miss Anne E. Willis, who was born and reared at New Brighton, Pennsylvania, in which state likewise were born her parents, John B. and Lydia (McDaniel) Willis. In conclusion is entered brief record concerning the children of Mr. and Mrs. Schley. Arthur A. resides in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he is one of the principals in the Schley & Nash Company, engaged in the heating equipment business. He married Kate McCool Taggart, M. D., and their children are three in number, Margaret, Edith and Kate. Edith May Schley, elder daughter of Elmer E. Schley, is the wife of H. N. Merriman, of Beaver Falls, banker and grandson of John Reeves, Beaver County's grand old man, and they have two children, Jean and James Frederick. Maude R. is the wife of Frank Knott, manager of the Richard C. May Tile Company of Youngstown, Ohio.

Paul L. McCracken, an attorney of fourteen years' experience, specializing in real estate lines, is recognized as one of the representative citizens of Youngstown.

Paul L. McCracken was born at Youngstown, Ohio, December 14, 1886, son of M. L. and Rosilla Monroe McCracken, of Mercer County, Pennsylvania, and Portage County, Ohio, respectively. Received preliminary education at the West Side Grade School and Rayen High School; studied law under the preceptorship of Atty. Emory F. Lynn, of Youngstown. In June, 1910, was admitted to the bar and immediately thereafter entered upon the general practice of his profession. His office is now located at 339 West Federal Street, Youngstown, Ohio.

In September, 1916, Mr. McCracken was married to Miss Ada Osborn, born in Mahoning County, Ohio, a daughter of Joshua and Kate Osborn, both born in Mahoning County. Mr. and Mrs. McCracken have three children, Jean, Leo and Neal, and reside on South Meridian Road, Youngstown.

William N. Burley. Crooksville in Perry County has been an important center for the Ohio pottery industry for a number of years. It is the home of the Burley and Winter Pottery Company, the output of whose plant is sold practically all over the United States. The president of the company is William N. Burley, who was born on the old farm where the potteries are now located. The vice president and

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secretary is Wilson Winter, while the treasurer and general manager is John G. Burley, son of William N.

The Burley family have had many important connections with Ohio since pioneer days. The grandfather of William N. Burley was John Burley, a Frenchman. On moving to Ohio he kept a hotel at Putnam, and also entered the land on Burley Run where the Burley and Winter Pottery is now located. He was quite old when he came to Ohio, and he reached the age of eighty years. The son, Larzalere Burley, father of William N., was born in Pennsylvania, in 1805, and became a pioneer in the production of clay products. At first he operated a hand pottery, but in later years his business grew until he shipped a large volume of pottery from Zanesville by water, and after 1855, when the railroad was built, he used that means of getting his product to market. He was a primitive Baptist in religious faith, his wife was a Methodist. Larzalere Burley married Rachel Iliff, of Bucks County, Pennsylvania. She lived to the age of seventy, and Larzalere passed away at the age of ninety-one. He died in the house where he moved when he married. Four sons of Larzalere Burley were soldiers in the Civil war, and they were referred to as "Twenty-four feet of Burleys," since each of them averaged six feet in height. These soldier sons were: John W., who served with the One Hundred and Fourteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, was a potter by trade and died at the age of seventy-eight; James, whose service was in the navy and who died at about the same age as his brother John; Thomas, who was with the Sixty-second Volunteer Infantry, was captured at the Battle of the Wilderness, and died while in the Confederate prison.

The youngest of the four soldier brothers is William N. Burley, who was born March 17, 1846. He grew up on the homestead farm, attended the local schools, and his soldier service was rendered in Company K of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Volunteer Infantry, but subsequently he was transferred to a company of heavy artillery. He was in battles in the Shenandoah Valley and around Cumberland Gap.

Mr. Burley's first introduction to the practical art of pottery making was shaping jugs in his father's hand pottery. After the war he worked as a potter in many clay fields in the West, in Missouri and Illinois, around St. Louis and Burlington, Iowa. Following that he returned to Ohio and became associated with his father's industry. In 1873 Mr. Burley and Wilson Winter were in business as merchants at Reed Station, under the firm name of Burley and Winter. While the railroad was building through that section they bought the Jacob Reed farm of 126 acres, 60 acres of which was coal land. They had the remaining part of the tract surveyed and laid out into town lots, thus founding the present industrial City of Crooksville. Burley and Winter were exceptionally enterprising and public spirited in promoting the new town. They started several industries, chiefly pottery plants, selling them out as the opportunity occurred and starting others. It was in 1878 that they established the first steam pottery plant in that district. The Burley and Winter Pottery Company now operates plants Nos. 1 and 2 at Crooksville, and have another plant at Zanesville.

Though he has lived more than three-quarters of a century, William N. Burley is still active in business, and presents a remarkable figure of manhood, still being as straight as a pine tree. He is alert, capable, and is broad shouldered and physically fit in every way. He has served as president of the Crooksville Bank Company since its organization. In politics he is a republican, and is a member of Thomas Burley Post No. 392 of the Grand Army of the Republic. This post was named in honor of his brother who lost his life during the Civil war. At one time its membership was 100, only 7 of whom are left. Mr. Burley's wife is a member of the Methodist Church.

He married Margaret McKeever, who was born in Perry County, a daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Wilie) McKeever. They were born on adjoining farms and went to school together. They have five sons and one daughter. The sons are John G., general manager of the Pottery Plant at Crooksville; S. B., a physician practicing at Lorain, Ohio; Z. W., who has charge of the Burley Plant at Zanesville; Wilson L., employed at the Burley and Winter Pottery at Crooksville; Arthur, at home, and Ada C., also at home.

Homer P. Darbyshire, of Poland, Mahoning County, represents families that have been identified with Ohio for at least three generations, and Mr. Darbyshire after a numer of years of official service with the Bell Telephone Company has established a very successful automobile storage and service business.

He was born in Putnam County, Ohio, September 9, 1884, son of Benjamin and Almira (Good) (Darbyshire, likewise natives of the same county, and a grandson of Jesse and Lydia (Pierce) Darbyshire, natives of Ohio and Ashford, and Catherine Good, native of Putnam County, Ohio. Lydia Pierce Darbyshire was a direct descendant of Anneke Jans Bogardus. The grandparents of Mr. Darbyshire were among the first pioneers of Putnam County. Benjamin Darbyshire and wife still own a large farm in Allen County, but are living retired in a surburban home. Their children are: Bertha, with her parents; Roscoe, of Dayton; Homer Parks; Jesse, at home; Brice, of Lima; and Catherine, at home.

Homer Park Darbyshire while a boy on the farm attended the district school held in a red brick schoolhouse in District No. 4, Sugar Creek, Putnam County. At the age of eighteen he left the farm and began work for the Bell Telephone Company as a lineman, and his service brought him steady promotion until he became district superintendent. From these responsibilities he resigned June 1, 1923, to engage in business for himself in the general transfer and automobile storage service. He has developed a very popular service known as the "You Drive It Plan," employing fourteen trucks. Such heavy demands are made upon this service that constant additions and increases to the facilities are being made. He has a three-story and basement building, 50 by 150 feet, and has gasoline and oil stations.

Mr. Darbyshire married, May 15, 1913, Miss Nellie Shyrigh, who was born at Urbana, Ohio, daughter of Bert and Anna (Cushbaum) Shyrigh, natives of the same Ohio town. The two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Darbyshire are Homer Park, born June 15, 1914, and Robert Milton, born December 15, 1920. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Darbyshire is a republican, is affiliated with Lodge No. 52 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Chillicothe, Ohio, and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

Arthur S. Mottinger has for over twenty years been one of the able attorneys comprising the Akron bar. His law firm has handled an important share of the litigation in local courts, and he has achieved his success in the strict limits of his profession rather than in politics.

Mr. Mottinger was born in Green Township, Summit County, Ohio, May 14, 1873, son of Daniel J. and Elizabeth J. (Schumacher) Mottinger, and grandson of John J. and Barbara (Long) Mottinger. His

grandfather, son of a soldier in the War of 1812, was born in 1799, and established his home in Summit County in 1830. Daniel J. Mottinger was born in 1841, served as a Union soldier in the One Hundred and Sixty-fourth Ohio Volunteer Infantry in the latter part of the Civil war, and devoted the greater part of his active career to farming. He died at Akron in 1901. The mother was born in Mercer County, Pennsylvania, in 1845.

Arthur S. Mottinger grew up on his father's farm, attending country schools, and in 1892 graduated from the Uniontown High School. He was a teacher for two years, then entered Hiram College, where he took his Bachelor of Philosophy degree in 1899. He also had one year in law at Hiram, and for a time attended the Hamilton College of Law in Chicago, from which institution he later received the degree of Master of Laws. He was admitted to the bar by the Ohio Supreme Court in January, 1901, and subsequently admitted to practice in the Federal Court. Mr. Mottinger has practiced individually and also with several of the prominent lawyers of Summit County. His longest association was with the late Judge J. A. Kohler. They were together until a short time before the death of Judge Kohler in 1916. Mr. Mottinger is now senior member of the law firm Mottinger & Evans, with offices in the Ohio Building. He is a member of the Summit County and Ohio State Bar associations.

Mr. Mottinger was president of the Akron Young Men's Christian Association from 1909 to 1912. He became a trustee of Hiram College in 1914, and is on the official board of the High Street Church of Christ, and has been active in a number of civic and patriotic movements in his home city.

On August 9, 1906, Mr. Mottinger married Miss Cassie M. Lawyer, of Burton, Ohio, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John J. Lawyer. They have two children, Claude W. and Marcia Elizabeth.

Rev. John Henry Hull, of Kent, has given over forty years to the ministry of the Congregational Church, most of his service in Ohio or Michigan, though for some years he was in the Northwest.

He was born in Erie County, Ohio, in July, 1849, son of John Lynn and Eliza Wilson (Harsh) Hull, his father a native of Pennsylvania and his mother of Warren, Ohio. John L. Hull was a farmer and stockdealer, and lived for more than sixty years at Sandusky, Ohio. Other children of John L. were Judge Lynn W. Hull, of Sandusky, and Mrs. Ida M. Barber, wife of Judge J. A. Barber, of Toledo. Rev. John Henry Hull attended high school at Sandusky, and after further study at Oberlin and some years of teaching he entered the Oberlin Theological Seminary, where he was graduated in June, 1882. He helped build the first church at Ashtabula Harbor, Ohio, and served as Congregational pastor there for over four years. His next work was in Cleveland, where for ten years he was pastor of Grace Congregational Church, and for eight years was pastor at Marble Head, Ohio, where he helped build the present fine stone church. Going to Michigan, he was jointly pastor at Frankfort, and secretary and manager of the Congregational Summer Assembly for six years. From Michigan he moved to South Dakota, and for a year and one-half was engaged in general state missionary work, and then became pastor of the Congregational Church at Deadwood, where he remained three years.

In October, 1914, Mr. Hull took up his present pastoral duties at the Congregational Church at Kent, Ohio, and has shared largely in the life of this community during the past ten years. He has served as moderator of the Congregational State Conference of Ohio. Since 1893 he has been a member of the military organization known as the Cleveland Grays, and at different times has given a service aggregating twelve years as chaplain. He is a member of the Wranglers Club, Rotary Club, University Club, Chamber of Commerce and the Knights of Pythias at Kent, and in politics votes independently.

Rev. Mr. Hull married in June, 1870, Miss Adelaide M. Gustin, a native of Erie County, Ohio. She died in 1891, leaving two sons, John L., deceased, and George Wilson, who married Erie M. Clemons, of Marblehead, Ohio, who resides in Elmore, Ohio, and have three children, John, Walter and Adelaide. In 1894 Rev. Mr. Hull married Minnie C. Deming, of Rootstown, Portage County, Ohio, a daughter of Henry A. and Cordelia M. (Collins) Deming. By this marriage there is one son, Howard Deming Hull, of Kent, who married Deborah Milford, of Atlantic, Iowa, and they have a son, Howard Deming, Jr. All except the more remote members and present children of the above families studied or graduated at Oberlin.

Joel William Roberts. The practical man is the one who is forging ahead today in every line of endeavor. This is too busy an age to admit of theoretical experiments without the backing of sound experience. Those who are succeeding are those who understand their work, and the demands of the public, and how to meet the needs of their patrons. Especially is this true in those lines connected with electricity and automobiles, the two great developments of the twentieth century. One of the men of Youngstown who prepared himself for his business career in a practical way by actual experience is Joel William Roberts, of 232 East Boardman Street.

Joel William Roberts was born at Hadley, Pennsylvania, January 20, 1885, a son of Robert R. and Lottie E. (Bailey) Roberts, natives of Hubbard, Ohio, who were married in Pennsylvania. Robert R. Roberts, of Welsh descent, was a saw-mill operator, and died in May, 1886. The mother subsequently married Frank P. Hibler, of Hubbard, Ohio, and is still living.

From the age of seven years until 1914 Joel William Roberts resided on a farm with his maternal grandparents, and in the latter year moved with them to Hubbard, Ohio, where the grandfather died March 19, 1923, but the grandmother is still living at Hubbard. The district schools gave Mr. Roberts his educational training, and farm work developed him physically and taught him the value of honest labor. His preliminary electrical experience was gained as an employe of the Miller-Smythe Electric Company of Youngstown, and after he had been three years with this concern he had charge of the automobile section. In November, 1922, he bought the automobile branch of the business, and has since been engaged in installing automobile electrical equipment, in which he is an acknowledged expert.

In 1919 Mr. Roberts married Miss Caroline E. Morrison, born at Hadley, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Thomas J. and Irene (McKay) Morrison, natives of Pennsylvania. Mr. Roberts is a Methodist. While he is interested in civic matters, he has not seen fit to affiliate with either of the parties, but votes independently.

Felix F. H. Imhof is a native of Ohio, and for fifteen years has been prominently identified with the business life of Marietta, where he is manager of the Cities Service Oil Company. This company was the first in this territory to create a market for casinghead, absorption and blended gasoline. This has now developed into one of the largest businesses for manufacturing motor fuel and gas machine gasoline. This grade of gasoline is being shipped to all parts of the world.

Mr. Imhof was born at Cincinnati, November 13,

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1876, son of Herman and Anna (Waag) Imhof. His father, a native of Germany, was a brewer by trade and profession. He owned a brewing establishment in Chicago, which was destroyed by the great fire of 1871. From there he moved to Cincinnati and subsequently to Cleveland. Herman Imhof died in 1885.

Felix Imhof was only nine years of age when his father died, and soon afterward he was thrown upon his own resources and has been the architect of his own destiny. He first attended school in Cleveland, and was reared in the latter city. His working career soon brought him in the service of the Cleveland Gas Light & Coke Company. He held an increasing series of responsibilities for that corporation, being finally purchasing agent and in charge of the manufacturing of gas.

With this expert experience in gas and by-products manufacture Mr. Imhof in 1910 came to Marietta. It was through his efforts that the plant of the Cities Service Company was erected. This company is engaged chiefly in refining and the manufacture of high grade petroleum products. In addition to his responsibilities as manager of the public utility Mr. Imhof is much interested in civic affairs and welfare work. He is a director of the Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Rotary Club and the Advertising Club, belongs to the Associated Charities, the Marietta Automobile Club, the Marietta Shrine Club, United Commercial Travelers, and is a republican voter.

He married Miss Pauline Walker, of Cleveland, and they have one daughter, Edna, who graduated from Marietta College with the class of 1923. Mr. and Mrs. Imhof are members of the Lutheran Church, and he has served on the council of the church. Fraternally he is affiliated with Harmer Lodge No. 390, Free and Accepted Masons; Marietta Chapter No. 1, Royal Arch Masons; Marietta Council No. 78, Royal and Select Masters; Marietta Commandery No. 50, Knights Templar, the Eastern Star, the Scottish Rite Consistory and Syrian Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

William J. Williams, superintendent of Mines Nos. 8 and 5 for the Sunday Creek Coal Company at Corning in Perry County, inherits the native ability of the Welshmen, though since early childhood he has lived in America and his individual abilities have been responsible for a successive rise to important responsibilities in the coal mining industry and in the civic communities of which he is a part.

Mr. Williams was born in Wales, December 15, 1879. A few years later his parents, William James and Anna (Lane) Williams, brought their family to America and settled on a farm at Stanhope, Ontario, and subsequently removed to Glouster, Ohio, where the father died two weeks later. He had been a prosperous farmer, but as the oldest son, William J. Williams, had to leave school and become the head of the home and the provider for the family. The widowed mother now lives with her son in Detroit, Michigan. There were eight children in the family, the two sons being William J. and Joseph. Joseph for several years was employed by the Sunday Creek Coal Company at Glouster, and also worked for the Sackett firm in Columbus. He enlisted in the United States Marines and had four years of service, including duty in France during the World war. He was in the battle of the Argonne and was twice wounded. After the war he located at Detroit. He is an electrical engineer and has charge of a shop in Detroit.

William J. Williams had his brief schooling in Canada, and when ten years of age was employed as a trapper boy in the mines at Glouster. He did nearly every other service connected with the mining of coal and eventually became electrician for the Sunday Creek Coal Company, and installed all the power, light and telephone systems in the many mines of this corporation. For one year he was with the Paint Creek Coal Company in West Virginia. His first pay in the mines was seventy-five cents a day, and from that he was promoted to wages of a dollar a day. He is thoroughly experienced in the technique of mining operations, and is also a competent executive. His men call him "Billy," and he has their complete confidence as well as respect.

For a number of years Mr. Williams made his home at Glouster, and while there was elected a member of the City Council. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge at Glouster, also the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Lodge there, and is a Knight Templar Mason at New Lexington. He is a republican in politics.

In 1917 Mr. Williams married Miss Edith Bradley, daughter of William Bradley, of Coal Run, West Virginia. They have two children, William J., Jr., and Betty May.

Charles Daniel Evans. Before completing his legal education, Charles Daniel Evans served a period with the colors during the World war, but for the past five years has been a practicing attorney in Akron, member of one of the reliable firms located in the Ohio Building of that city.

He was born at Kensington, New Hampshire, September 27, 1897, son of Daniel M. and Mary Ella (Woods) Evans. He was reared in his native town, where he attended public schools, continued his education in Sanborn Seminary at Kingston, New Hampshire, and, coming to Ohio, entered Adelbert College of Western Reserve University, where he was graduated with the Bachedor of Arts degree in 1917.

During 1918 he was in the Officer's Training School at Camp Grant, Illinois. In 1919 he graduated from the Western Reserve University Law School, and immediately located in Akron, where for about a year he was associated with A. S. Mottinger and since January, 1920, has been junior partner in the firm of Mottinger & Evans.

Mr. Evans is affiliated with the Masonic Order, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Lambda Chi Alpha and Phi Alpha Delta fraternities, and the Summit County Bar Association.

Rt. Rev. Mons. Clement H. Treiber, V. F., whose long service as a Catholic priest is rich and conspicuous in achievement, has for a quarter of a century been identified with the work of his church in Canton. In 1923, as a mark of appreciation of his faithful service, he was raised to the rank of domestic prelates, with the title of monsignor. In the many years he has performed his priestly duties in Ohio parishes Father Treiber has demonstrated the possessions of a remarkable range of qualifications. He has been theologian, orator, linguist, musician, a man of affairs and able in administration of important business duties. He was born in Cleveland, July 20, 1856, son of Maximillian and Amelia (Helmer) Treiber. His father died in April, 1870. His parents were married in the First Catholic Church in Cleveland, Old St. Mary's on the Flats, and they worshiped there for many years. Father Treiber was baptized at St. Peters by the late Very Rev. John H. Luhr, V. G., or St. Peters Church. He attended that church and parish school until 1862, and was then in St. Joseph's parish until 1869, when he began his classical studies under the Franciscan Fathers at Teutopolis, Illinois. He was graduated from that school in June, 1875, and the following September he entered St. Mary's Theological Seminary of Cleveland. Here he completed his five years work in philosophy and theology,

and on July 4, 1880, was ordained to the priesthood in St. John's Cathedral by the late Bishop Gilmour.

Father Treiber has devoted nearly forty-five years to the work of a priest since his ordination. His first appointment was to take charge of a large district, including Mineral Ridge, East Palestine, Salem, Canfield and Austintown. During the first year he organized the first congregation at Palestine, and built the church still used by that congregation. In 1881 he built St. Paul's Church at Salem. For seven years he remained in the busy and congenial service among these people, and was then transferred to St. Joseph's Church at Crestline, Ohio, in June, 1887. In 1888 he signalized the efficiency of his pastorate by erecting a new church at a cost of $25,000, and had all the debts except $2,500, liquidated during the twelve years he served in Crestline.

In September, 1899, Father Treiber was commissioned by Bishop Hortsmann to organize the new parish of the Immaculate Conception in the southern part of Canton. He took charge of the new parish on October 8, 1899, and during the first six months a large plat of ground centrally located was purchased and on it began the construction of a combination building known as the Chapel School and the Immaculate Conception Church. This building cost $21,700. The building is of vitrified brick.

Father Treiber was subsequently commissioned to found St. Joseph's Catholic Church in the western part of Canton. He organized the congregation in June, 1902, and held the first services in a hall opposite the car barns on Tuscarawas Street. In August, 1902, ground was secured at the corner of Tuscarawas and Columbus streets, and work was begun in the same month on the construction of a combination church, hall, chapel and school. The corner stone was laid September 21, 1902, by the late Bishop Hortsmann of Cleveland, and the building was completed in June, 1903. Many additions have been made to this church property in the past twenty years. An annex school was constructed in 1917, and other buildings include the pastor's residence, the sister's home, and in March 1921, the foundation was started for the erection of a beautiful new church building and the corner stone was laid by Bishop Schrembs, of Cleveland, November 13, 1921. On June 25, 1922, the dedication of the basement church took place. In the absence of Bishop Schrembs, who was then in Rome, the Rt. Rev. August J. Schwertner, Bishop of Wichita, Kansas (a native of Canton), blessed and dedicated the present basement church, and at this time he also sang a Pontifical High Mass. During the past five years Father Treiber has had an assistant priest.

Besides his duties in St. Joseph's Parish he is Dean of the Canton District, including about twenty churches, and about twenty-eight priests.

Father Treiber in his career has been distinguished not only by extraordinary gifts as a business organizer and administrator, but by qualities of personal character that make him greatly loved, not only in his church but among all classes of people. He has a sincere love of humanity, and has on many occasions worked impartially for the general good without regard to racial or religious classifications, and through his influence he has done much to soften those unreasoning animosities that account for so much of the strife and contention among social groups.

WILLIAM A. WELKER is a very successful Ohio business man and has devoted practically all his time and energies to one business organization, the Snider-Flautt Lumber Company of New Lexington. He is vice president and general manager of this corporation, which operates plants for the manufacture of building material at Somerset and New Lexington, and maintains retail lumber yards at New Lexington, Somerset and South Zanesville.

Somerset was the original home of the company, and business was conducted as a partnership from 1891 until 1899. When it was incorporated Mr. Flautt became one of the executive officers and Mr. Snider, the president. Mr. Flautt died in 1918, and Mr. Snider, in 1920. The president of the corporation today is H. D. Flautt. This firm has been a leader in the business of manufacturing and distributing building materials in Southeastern Ohio.

William A. Welker's first connection with the firm may be said to have started when as a boy he was employed to cut the grass on Mr. Snider's lawn. That was back in 1893. Later he was given employment as an office boy with the company, worked in the yards, then in the factory, and in 1895 was sent to Crooksville to take charge of a yard. He was at Crooksville from 1895 to 1898, and was then given charge of the yard at New Lexington. In addition to his present office as vice president and general manager, Mr. Welker is president of the Snider Lumber and Timber Company, operating saw mills in West Virginia.

Mr. Welker was born on a farm in Knox County, Ohio, August 13, 1875, son of Ambrose and Agnes (Metzger) Welker. The Welker family is of Welch and the Metzger of German ancestry. Ambrose Welker was born in Knox County and his wife at Somerset. He was a timber worker and later became a turner in lumber and planing mills. He died June 14, 1914, at the age of fifty-nine. His wife died when their son William A. was a small child. The other two sons are: Charles, at Mount Vernon, Ohio, and Frank, in the dairy business in Chicago. A daughter, Mary, died at the age of eighteen.

William Welker attended rural schools near Somerset until he was about eighteen, and in the meantime was employed during his vacations. His home has been at New Lexington since 1898. Mr. Welker in 1896 married Miss Louise May, daughter of Henry May. She died in 1898, leaving one son, John, who is a graduate of the Somerset High School and was a volunteer at the time of the World war, being in service with the Marines and was assigned duty on the battleship Nevada. After leaving school he was a bookkeeper with the New Lexington branch of the Snider-Flautt Lumber Company, and after the war was employed at the Consolidated Ticket Office in Columbus, Ohio, but is now at the South Zanesville branch of his father's firm as bookkeeper.

In 1903 Mr. Welker married Miss Elizabeth Nugent, daughter of Hugh Nugent, of New Lexington. They have one son, Hugh, now attending Dayton University. The family are members of St. Rose Catholic Church, and Mr. Welker is a Knight of Columbus and an Elk.

OMIE JOE LETHERMAN, M. D. One of three brothers who became physicians, Dr. Omie Joe Letherman, of Thornville, in Perry County, has been in practice for over twenty years, and has achieved a high degree of esteem and success in the prosperous community of Thornville. He was in service with the Medical Corps during the World war.

Doctor Letherman was born at Hanover, in Licking County, Ohio, May 23, 1882, son of Joseph and Matilda (Wagstaff) Letherman. His grandfather, John Letherman, came from Germany and settled in Washington County, Pennsylvania, where he lived out his life. Joseph Letherman was a young man when he moved to Licking County. Endowed with traits of thrift, he became a very prosperous farmer and stock dealer and acquired two very fine farms. His home was near Hanover, and he lived there all his married

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life, and it is still the family home. He always kept fine stock on his place, and bought and shipped and dealt in live stock extensively. He died when a comparatively young man, in 1887. He was a member of the Church of the Disciples. His wife, Matilda Wagstaff, was born near Hanover, daughter of Daniel Wagstaff, and after the death of her husband she kept her children together, educated and trained them, and lived to the age of seventy-two, passing away in 1915. She was the mother of three sons and four daughters. The sons all became physicians. John graduated from Starling Medical College and had practiced one year at Hebron, Ohio, when he died at the age of twenty-four. The other son, Dr. Frank P., is a graduate of Starling Medical College and practices at Outville. The daughters are: Mrs. Lewis McCann, of Black Run; Mrs. Enyart Denman, of Hanover; Laura, on the old homestead at Hanover, and Mrs. Joseph Beal, of Millwood, in Knox County.

Omie Joe Letherman was five years of age when his father died. He grew up on the farm, attended the local schools, and subsequently entered the Ohio Medical University at Columbus, where he was graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in April, 1903. He immediately joined his brother Frank in practice, but since November 26, 1903, has given his time and services to Thornville. This is one of the prosperous little towns in Southeastern Ohio, and Doctor Letherman is now the only physician located there. At the time of the World war he volunteered his services, was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, and in October, 1918, he was sent to the Medical Officers Training Camp at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia. After the armistice he was invited to go abroad for service in the reconstruction districts of Europe, with the rank of major, but he returned to his extensive private practice. Doctor Letherman has served two terms on the Town Council at Thornville.

In 1911 he married Miss Emma Meredith, daughter of John Meredith, of Thornville. They have one daughter, Mary Norma. Doctor and Mrs. Letherman are members of the Trinity Reformed Church of Thornville, and he is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Knight Templar. He was made a member of the Mystic Shrine in the same class as President Harding, and has attended a number of Shrine conventions, including those at San Francisco and Washington. He is also affiliated with the Eastern Star, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Maccabees and the Woodmen of the World. He belongs to the American Legion Post, and is a republican in politics.

William Brimgardner has been actively identified with the commercial and manufacturing interests of Junction City in Perry County since early manhood. A large industry that means much to the prosperity of that community and whose products are distributed all over Ohio is the Junction City Sewer Pipe Company, of which Mr. Brimgardner is treasurer and general manager.

He was born on a farm within a mile and a half of Junction City, on April 8, 1861, son of John and Margaret (Brown) Brimgardner. His father, of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry, came to Perry County when a young man, was married there, and engaged in farming and stock raising. He was very much of an expert in everything connected wth life stock. He delighted in having fine horses, and for years he was a stock drover to Eastern markets and also to Columbus. He kept stock on his own farm and also owned land in Madison County. It was said that he had almost an unerring ability to buy and sell just at the proper time. As a young man he was employed on construction work on the C. M. & V. Railway, but could never collect his salary from his employer. His brother Martin also lived in Perry County. John Brimgardner, though a man of high esteem in his county, could never be prevailed upon to accept office. He voted with the democratic party. His wife, Margaret Brown, was born in Alsace-Lorraine, and was an infant when her parents came to Ohio and settled in Perry County. John Brimgardner and his wife each died at the age of seventy years, having lived from the time of their marriage on the farm, where their son William was born. They had five sons and four daughters. The sons were: Thomas, formerly a farmer, now living retired in Columbus; Albert, who was in the lumber business in West Virginia and now lives in Columbus; William; Simon, an employe of the Junction City Sewer Pipe Plant; and Louis, who died in youth.

William Brimgardner attended the local schools near the home farm and later a business college at Zanesville. He was a farm boy until twenty-one, and in his active career of over forty years he has been identified with just two manufacturing institutions in Junction City. He became an employe of the Junction City Gearwood Plant as a bookkeeper, and at the end of fifteen years was general manager of the plant. This company manufactured a product that was shipped to all parts of the country, wherever vehicles were manufactured. When the advent of the automobile made the industry unprofitable Mr. Brimgardner associated himself with the Junction City Sewer Pipe Company, and his energy has had much to do with the great progress and success of that business.

Mr. Brimgardner at the age of twenty-eight married a daughter of Daniel Clark, of Perry County. The children born to their marriage were: Earl, who died when twenty-one years of age; Helen, wife of William Glass, of Mount Vernon, Ohio; Margie, wife of H. A. Corbin, of Mount Vernon; Gertrude, who completed the nurses' training course at Mount Carmel Hospital in September, 1923; Ruth, attending the St. Aloysius Academy of Junction City; Katherine and Paul Joe, in parochial schools. Mr. Brimgardner is a democrat, but in all the years he has lived at Junction City he has consented to serve only one term in office, as a member of the Town Council. He is a Knight of Columbus and Elk, and his family are all Catholics.

D. W. Lerch is one of the old and prominent business men of the City of Canton, where he is president of the D. W. Lerch Company. This company probably does the largest business as dealers in pianos and phonographs in the City of Canton. The company has a beautifully appointed store in the retail shopping district. The company is incorporated for $75,000.

Mr. Lerch was born at Bethel, Pennsylvania, was educated in the public and high schools there, attended Palatinate College, and is himself a highly educated musician, having attended the New England Conservatory of Music of Boston.

Mr. Lerch has been a resident of Canton since 1895. His present business dated back to the organization of the firm of Lerch & Leonard in 1902. Two years later he bought the interest of Mr. Leonard, and subsequently incorporated the D. W. Lerch Company. Mr. Lerch is a member of the Reformed Church and the Masonic Order. He also belongs to the Congress Lake Club.

By his marriage to Miss Ellen Berger there are four children, D. W., Jr., John Berger, Emily C. and Mary E.

Albert N. Kishler, Doctor of Dental Surgery at New Lexington, is one of three brothers who were in

the World war service, and each of them has achieved a substantial position in a profession, two of them being dentists and the other an electrical engineer.

Dr. Albert N. Kishler was born at New Lexington, August 20, 1896. He represents some of the old and prominent pioneer families of Southern Ohio. The Kishlers originally came from one of the countries along the River Rhine to the United States and settled in Baltimore. It is said that eleven members of the Kishler family left Maryland and came to Ohio. The grandfather of Doctor Kishler was Judge Kishler, who was a pioneer associate justice in Perry County, and a man of great business ability. He became very prosperous for his time, but through going security for parties from the East who proposed to develop the coal lands he lost much of his money, although he still succeeded in his ambition to give each of his eleven children a farm. Some of his children went West and settled in the States of Iowa and Wisconsin. Judge Kishler's brother, Fred Kishler, became sheriff of Perry County, and was the only man in that office who was called upon to conduct a legal hanging, at the execution of David Work. Judge Kishler's four daughters now living are: Minerva, wife of W. H. Bowman, of Jackson Township, Perry County; Mrs. Nancy Bugh, a widow of Malone, Illinois; Margaret Sutton, who lives in Iowa, and Sarah Hufford, of Iowa.

Thomas J. Kishler, father of Dr. Albert N. Kishler, was born at the old family home at Mount Hope in Jackson Township of Perry County, being the youngest of the eleven children of his father, Judge Kishler. After he was sixteen years of age he lived at New Lexington, and served an apprenticeship as a cabinet maker. Subsequently he took up carriage making, and for a number of years manufactured farm vehicles, until the advent of the automobile, when he took up another line of business. He is now a plumbing and electrical contractor. He is a resident of New Lexington, and is sixty-one years of age. He has served the community as a member of the School Board and on the City Council, and for thirty-one years was chief of the fire department. In politics he is a republican.

Thomas J. Kishler married Cora Fowler, daughter of William Fowler, and a descendant of the first family to settle at New Lexington. The Fowlers owned large bodies of land in that vicinity, and located there about 1811. Mrs. Thomas J. Kishler is now fifty-seven years of age. The family were in earlier generations primitive Baptists, but are now active in Methodist circles. Thomas J. Kishler is past high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter and past commander of the local Commandery of the Knight Templar Masons. He and his wife had four children. The daughter, Kathleen, is the wife of J. O. Newton, vice president of the Perry County Bank.

The son, Dr. Lester Kishler, is a graduate of the dental department of Ohio State University, and is now practicing dentistry at Ravenna, Ohio. He went to the Mexican border with the National Guards as a lieutenant in the Dental Corps with the Sixth Ohio During the World war he served as a captain in the Dental Corps with the One Hundred Sixty-fourth Field Artillery until after the armistice, and was then transferred to the Ninetieth Division, composed of Texas and Oklahoma troops, and served with the Army of Occupation in Germany. He is still connected with the Reserve Corps, being under the command of Colonel Snively as major in the Thirty-seventh Division National Guards, Reserve Corps.

Another son, Merle E. Kishler, during the World war was in the electrical unit of the Chemical Warfare Division, stationed at the Edgewood Arsenal in Maryland, where he worked eight hours a day, wearing a gas mask. The Edgewood Arsenal was perhaps the largest plant on American soil in the manufacture of poison gases. He is now practicing as an electrical engineer at Columbus.

Dr. Albert N. Kishler, the third of these three brothers, was educated in the public schools at New Lexington, took up the study of dentistry at the Ohio State University, and during his senior year was placed in the Reserve Corps and after he completed his education at the State University he was called to active training at Camp Greenleaf, where he remained on duty until discharged December 16, 1918. He now holds a commission as first lieutenant in the Dental Reserve Corps, having been appointed by Governor Cox. Doctor Kishler, after returing from the army, engaged in practice at New Concord, Ohio, for seventeen months, and since then has had a large professional business in his home town. He is a member of the Perry County, Ohio State and American Dental Societies.

Doctor Kishler married, July 28, 1923, Miss Josephine Birch, daughter of Harold and Rose Birch. Doctor Kishler is a York Rite Mason and Shriner, also a Grotto Mason, and is affiliated with the Elks. He has served as commander of the local post of the American Legion, and is a director of the Kiwanis Club and president of the local fire department.

William Schofield, president of the William Schofield Hardware Company at New Lexington, has been identified with mercantile affairs in that community since boyhood, growing up in his father's store, and in other ways has proved one of the very forceful men in the community.

He was born October 24, 1882, in the building where he now has his store. His parents were George and Mary (Yates) Schofield. His father died in 1903, at the age of fifty-seven, and his mother, in 1920, aged seventy-six. The Schofields came from Maryland to Ohio. His grandfather, William C. Schofield, was a volunteer for a part of the Civil war. He moved from Fultonham to a farm six miles south of New Lexington. A Methodist church was built on this farm. He was an active republican. George Schofield was born at the farm at Whipstown, six miles south of New Lexington, and as a youth had the affliction of white swelling, and was disabled for service as a soldier at the time of the Civil war. He engaged in farming until about 1870, when he went into the harness business. At New Lexington he built a two-story structure for home and shop, and that is now the business place of William Schofield. George Schofield learned harness making at Columbus, and worked at Roseville and also at New Lexington. His wife was a Methodist, but he had his own views in regard to religion, and practiced the Golden Rule. He trusted and was trusted. His two sons were Lawrence L. and William. Lawrence L. was educated in the New Lexington schools and the Meredith Business College at Zanesville, and is now secretary and treasurer of the Ice and Storage Company at Zanesville.

William Schofield attended the New Lexington High School, and as a small boy he did work in his father's store. Later he became his father's active assistant, and with the advent of the automobile the Schofield business has gradually changed from harness to hardware. In 1920 the William Schofield Hardware Company was incorporated, with Mr. Schofield as president.

He helped organize and became the first president of the Kiwanis Club of New Lexington. Civic welfare and matters of local improvement have always enlisted his generous participation. In 1904 Mr. Schofield married Miss Effie Fowler, daughter of J. C. Fowler, granddaughter of David Fowler and great-granddaughter of John Fowler. John Fowler, of an old English family, came from Maryland and

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first settled in Pike Township. There he set about building his log cabin. Soon afterward some one announced to him the news of the outbreak of the War of 1812. Immediately sticking his ax in a stump he went away to enlist, and after the campaign and on his return he found the ax where he had left it and resumed the building of his log cabin as though he had never been interrupted. Mrs. Schofield's father, J. C. Fowler, is now in the state auditor's office at Columbus. The three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Schofield are George Fowler, James Carrollton and William Carver. Mr. and Mrs. Schofield are members of the Methodist Church. He is a republican voter, served one year as master of the Lodge of Masons and is a Knight Templar Mason and a member of Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus.

Ellis I. Dozer, M. D. A hard working physician and surgeon at Crooksville in Perry County, Doctor Dozer started practice there more than thirty years ago, when there was hardly a good road in the county, when the community was without telephones and, of course, without the automobile, which has been such a great aid to the physician.

Doctor Dozer was born on his father's farm near Roseville, in Muskingum County, June 12, 1869, son of Enos and Mary (Stoneburner) Dozer. The Dozer family is of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry. Enos Dozer owned a large farm, raised and bred fine cattle and horses, and was a dealer in live stock. He was a democrat in politics, and in early life was a Lutheran, but finally he and his wife became members of the Christian Church. He died at the age of seventy-three and his wife at seventy-two. His wife, Mary Stoneburner, was born in York Township of Morgan County, Ohio, near Deavertown. Her people came from Stuttgart, Germany. Her mother, of the Bush family, was a child when her parents sailed for America. On the way the crew mutinied, turning pirates, and the family was two years in reaching America. Enos Dozer and wife had the following children: Martin, a graduate civil engineer from Ohio State University; L. C., a graduate of the University of Michigan and a dentist; Jane, a graduate of the school at West Jefferson, Ohio, wife of Ezra Allard, a farmer at Deavertown; George, a farmer near Roseville; Dr. Ellis I.; and Pearley, connected with the Mosaic Tile Works at Zanesville.

Dr. Ellis I. Dozer finished his early education in the Deavertown High School, and then entered the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati, where he graduated and received his Doctor of Medicine degree in June, 1892. He immediately located at Crooksville in Perry County, and for a number of years he gave not only his professional skill but literally his physical strength to his practice, requiring travel from home to home, frequently on foot or horseback, and he earned the confidence of the people by never refusing a call on account of storm or other difficulties.

Doctor Dozer is a member of the various medical societies, is a Royal Arch and Knight Templar Mason at New Lexington, a member of Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus, and is district deputy chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias. He is a trustee of the Christian Church at Crooksville.

Doctor Dozer married in January, 1893, Miss Ada L. Wanee, of Vinton County. They have one son, Cyril O. Dozer. He graduated from the Crooksville High School, and during the World war was in training as an infantry soldier and later in other branches of the army. He was trained at Cincinnati, and spent five months with the colors. In 1919 he graduated from the Eclectic Medical College at Cincinnati, his father's alma mater, and for the past five years has been successfully engaged in practice at Roseville, only two miles from his father's home. They are frequently associated on the same cases. Dr. Cyril O. Dozer is also a member of the Masonic Order.

Marcus O. Smith, M. D. After the essential qualifications of a sound knowledge of medicine and reasonable skill in application of knowledge, the quality that distinguishes the vital service of a doctor is faithfulness. That has preeminently characterized Dr. Marcus O. Smith during his long practice of over thirty years in the Portersville community of Perry County.

Doctor Smith was born near Mount Perry, in Perry County, March 4, 1863, son of James and Eliza (Baird) Smith, and a grandson of James Smith. The Smiths were of Welsh ancestry and first settled in Pennsylvania, and in 1813 they took up government land in Muskingum County, Ohio. The Bairds were Scotch-Irish. James Smith, Jr., was born on a farm in Muskingum County, near Gratiot, married and moved to a farm at Mount Perry, and spent his long and industrious life there, where he died in 1903, at the age of eighty-six. His wife, Eliza, died in 1893, aged seventy-two. He was for sixty years an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and always voted the republican ticket from the formation of that party. He and his wife had a large family of children. Alexander, the eldest son, now deceased, was an Ohio soldier during the Civil war; Edward, at the age of sixteen, tried to get into the army, but was sent out to relatives in Illinois, and even there he managed to get into the service with an Illinois regiment; Ben is now in the hardware business at Eldorado, Missouri; Preston is a farmer; Duncan is a farmer near Lamar, Missouri; Archibald died at the age of sixty-four in Missouri, and Marcus O. is the youngest son.

Doctor Smith attended the academy at Mount Perry, spent one year in Muskingum College, and for several years he worked to pay the expenses of his professional training. For one year he taught school in his home district, and taught another year in Hopewell Township of Muskingum County. His summer seasons were spent in work on his father's farm. After beginning the study of medicine under Dr. C. Z. Axline at Fultonham, he entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1891. Doctor Smith, after a year or so of practice at Glenford, located at Portersville in 1893. His practice covers a large territory, and in the early years roads were frequently impossible and he either walked or rode horseback. Many mines have been opened in the district since he began practice there, and other changes have made his individual condition better as well as brought increased prosperity and improved living conditions to the entire community.

Doctor Smith married in 1886 Miss Gertrude Ball, daughter of Henry Ball, of Hopewell, Muskingum County. Four daughters were born to their marriage: Moss, wife of T. H. Plummer, superintendent of the Millersport High School; Pearl, wife of Herman King, of Portersville; Fern, wife of Frank Breese, of Portersville; and Marie Ormond, who died when seventeen years old.

Doctor Smith and family are Presbyterians. He is affiliated with the Deavertown Masonic Lodge, and while nationally a republican, votes for the man rather than the party.

Loyd J. Noaker is a native son of Stark County, began his business career at Canton in 1900, and in twenty years has been responsible for the growth and development of several of that city's most successful enterprises. He is president of the Noaker Ice Cream Company, is president of the Molly Stark Creamery Company, and is president of the Peerless Automobile Sales Company.

Mr. Noaker was born on a farm in Perry Township of Stark County, May 31, 1876, son of James and Emily (Hoverstock) Noaker. His parents, also natives of Stark County, spent all their lives there. His father was both a carpenter and a farmer. Educated in district and high schools, Loyd J. Noaker grew up on a farm, and for six years taught school. After his last term as a teacher, he came to Canton, in 1900, buying a one-wagon milk route, and for several years his business was limited to the retail distribution of milk. In 1905 he bought the ice cream branch of the Walter Andrews Baking Company, and this was the nucleus of the Canton business now conducted under the name of the Noaker Ice Cream Company. The business has grown rapidly, and for a number of years has utilized the facilities of one of the finest ice cream manufacturing plants in the state. The present company was incorporated in 1912, with Mr. Noaker as president and treasurer. The company supplies immense quantities of ice cream throughout the Canton district and adjoining towns and cities. His notable success in this business has brought Mr. Noaker connections with other related concerns and also other lines of business. Canton business men regard him as one of the most enterprising associates, and he has served as director of the Chamber of Commerce and president of the Rotary Club. He is a member of the National Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers and the Lincoln Highway Association.

While close attention and hard work have been responsible for his business success, Mr. Noaker has not neglected the social side of life, and has always been an enthusiastic sportsman. He has had membership in a number of clubs for outdoor sports, including the Sippo Lake Club, the League of Ohio Sportsmen, the Stark County Fish and Game Protective Association, the Congress Lake Club. Fraternally he is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Elks, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Maccabees and the Junior Order United American Mechanics. He is an independent in politics. Mr. Noaker married Miss Jennie M. Baughman, daughter of James Baughman, of Hartville, Ohio.

Hanna H. Essex, president of the Hanna Essex Coal Company of Straitsville, has been one of the conspicuous men in the development of the mining resources of the Hocking Valley. He is a brother of another distinguished coal operator, Calvin Essex.

Hanna H. Essex was born September 27, 1860, near Malta, in Morgan County, Ohio, son of Nathan H. and Elizabeth J. (Morris) Essex. The Essex family came from England nearly 300 years ago, while the Morris family is of Scotch ancestry. Nathan Essex was a farmer, and was called out for duty as a soldier when General Morgan made his raid through Southern Ohio. On account of being crippled he was sent home. His brother, Martin, was a prominent man in Ohio politics. Nathan Essex died in 1873, in his fifty-first year, and his wife died at New Straitsville in 1896. They were active members of the Bible Christian Church.

Hanna H. Essex was named by his father in honor of one of the conspicuous men in American politics in the critical year of 1860, Hannibal Hamlin, who became a member of Lincoln's cabinet. Soon after the birth of Hanna Essex the father moved to the eastern part of Hocking County, about six miles from Nelsonville. He was about thirteen when his father died, and after exhausting the opportunities of the country schools of Hocking County he went to work. As a youth and ever since he has been very fond of horses, and has owned several noted race horses. His first regular employment was driving a delivery wagon for his brother Calvin, who was operating a grocery store at New Straitsville. He was associated in mercantile and other business with his brother Calvin for twenty years. The firm added undertaking, and he studied embalming and took charge of that department. Hanna Essex helped open Mine No. 51 for the firm of Stalter & Essex, subsequently the Essex Coal Company, and later assisted in opening Mine No. 37 and others in the group of mines owned and operated by the Essex Brothers. In 1913 Mr. Hanna Essex became president and general manager of the Hanna Essex Coal Company. His younger brother, Nelson, is secretary and treasurer of the company. Mr. Essex is also a director of the Remple National Bank of Logan.

Twenty years ago he built his home on Essex Hill, overlooking New Straitsville. He married in 1892 Miss Lillie Mason, who was born at Mason City, Ohio, daughter of John Mason. The children born to their marriage are: Eugene, a mine foreman for the Hanna Essex Company; Edna, wife of Earl Mender, of Nelsonville; Hazel, who is married; Alice, of Akron; Nellie, bookkeeper for the Hanna Essex Company; Winfield, a student of pharmacy in Ohio State University; Stella, attending high school; and Walter, who died in childhood. Mr. Hanna Essex is a member of the Bible Christian Church and is a republican in politics.

Charles L. Schroeder, of Perry County, is a citizen who has achieved a considerable degree of success in the world from an early environment in which his opportunities were limited to the work he could do with his hands. Mr. Schroeder is now a mine owner, operating two mines, and is also a merchant in the little village of Buckingham, and has been in business there for twenty-seven years.

He was born in Essen, the great mining and industrial region of Germany, on November 3, 1868, son of Charles and Frances Schroeder. In 1881, when he was thirteen years of age, his parents came to the United States, locating in Perry County, Ohio. His father had been a miner in the coal fields of Germany, and in Ohio he worked in the Sunday Creek mines, and for the last ten years of his life had the management of the Sunday Creek farm. He was an excellent farmer and an upright and thrifty citizen. He and his family were Catholics. He died at the age of sixty-seven, in November, 1906, and his wife passed away in 1914 aged sixty-five. All of their seven children are still living, the sons being Charles L.; Theodore, of Shawnee; Ed, of Columbus, and Fred, who is a railroad man.

Charles L. Schroeder acquired his early education in the schools of Germany, and after coming to this country he did such work as his strength permitted in the mines in Perry County, and managed to attend classes in night school, thus continuing his general education and perfecting his knowledge of English. As a youth Mr. Schroeder became a teamster, and gradually built up a teaming business, owning several teams. In 1896 he opened a stock of merchandise at Buckingham, and has continued to sell goods there now for twenty-seven years. In 1900 he put up a building with store room below and his residence above. His operations as a mine owner began in 1916, when he opened Schroeder Mine No. 1, and this was followed in 1920 by the opening of Mine No. 2.

Mr. Schroeder some years ago served as road supervisor. He is a Catholic and a member of the Knights of Columbus. He married Mary Reinhard, who was also born in Essen, Germany. Her father, Frank Reinhard, was a miner in the old country, and came to the United States in 1884, and now at the venerable age of ninety-eight lives at Buckingham. Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder have a son, Charles Theodore,

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who is associated with his father in business. The daughter, Gertrude, is the wife of Vance Higgins, who is in the operating department of the Zanesville and Western Railroad.

THOMAS JEFFERSON LYNE, M. D. One of the men whose character and services the people of Morgan County will long cherish was the late Dr. Thomas Jefferson Lyne, physician and surgeon in the county for over a quarter of a century, friend of schools and patron of all worthy activities, banker and merchant.

Doctor Lyne, who died at his home in Stockport April 21, 1923, was born at the old Lyne homestead near Mount Olivet Church in East Windsor Township, Morgan County, March 24, 1860, son of Theodoric and Philena (Mummey) Lyne. He is survived by two brothers, Judge John Q. Lyne and Dr. George Leslie Lyne, and a sister, Miss Margaret.

The work accomplished by Doctor Lyne is the more remarkable because of the frail constitution with which he started life. He possessed an iron will and invincible determination that enabled him to accomplish more service than most men in physically robust health. He attended the district school, at the age of sixteen began teaching, and continued until two years later he suffered the first serious breakdown in his health. He began the study of medicine in Dr. W. E. Gatewood's office at Stockport, and subsequently entered the medical department of Dartmouth College, New Hampshire, where he was graduated with the class of 1882. Returning to Ohio, he practiced for ten years at Winterset in Guernsey County. In 1892 he purchased from his former preceptor, Doctor Gatewood, the practice and the drug store at Stockport, and from that time until his death his home was in Stockport. For over a quarter of a century he rode the hills of Southern Morgan County day and night, taking care of a practice that no one man should have attempted to look after. His energy was remarkable and enabled him to keep up with his duties until about four years before his death, when he virtually retired, after that giving his time to his drug store and other business. He was skilled in diagnosis, and was one of the best general practitioners the county has ever produced, being particularly famed for his treatment of lung trouble and typhoid fever.

The late Doctor Lyne was one of the organizers and founders of the Stockport Bank, serving as vice president and at the time of his death as president of the Board of Directors. He was one of the founders of the Stockport Hardware Company, was a stockholder in the First National Bank of McConnelsville and vice president of the Herald Printing Company of McConnelsville. His interest in education caused him to serve many terms on the Board of Education. He kept in touch with public affairs and politics, and with every worthy movement in his community. For many years he was a member and treasurer of Webb Lodge of Masons and also Webb Chapter of the Eastern Star, and was buried under Masonic auspices.

While practicing in Guernsey County Doctor Lyne married Miss Minta Moore of Winterset, daughter of W. B. Moore. She died in 1913, and later he married Mrs. Emma Perkins, widow of Dr. I. C. Perkins, of Belmont County, Ohio. By his first marriage Doctor Lyne had a family of six sons and one daughter. Three sons are now living. Alva B. Lyne, born in 1888, was educated at Marietta College, and is now a rancher in Saskatchewan, Canada. The second son, Arthur T., who is in the postal service in Cleveland, finished his education in the Bliss Commercial College, and during the World war was trained at Camp Sherman, being in the Motor Tractor Division, and went overseas.

Charles C. Lyne, who continues his father's drug business at Stockport, was graduated in pharmacy from the Ohio Northern University at Ada and also spent one year studying medicine in Ohio State University. He was in the navy during the World war, being at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, and as a pharmacist's mate made five trips overseas. All three of the sons are members of the Masonic Order.

GEORGE W. SPRING is a veteran saw mill and lumber man of Southeastern Ohio. His business headquarters for many years have been at Crooksville in Perry County, where he is a manufacturer of lumber, building supplies, boxes and crates. It was in 1892 that he became identified with that locality.

He was one of the men, including J. F. Stoneburner, N. H. Stoneburner, H. D. Woodruff, Thomas Griggs, George Printz, W. W. Brown, W. A. Brown, Wesley Brown, William Orr and Harry Moore, who organized the Diamond Stoneware Company to manufacture certain grades of pottery at Crooksville. Mr. Spring began as a laborer his active connection with the plant when it opened, but eventually was superintendent of the plant.

On August 1, 1904, Mr. Spring bought from the organization its lumber interests, and has since developed an extensive business, enlarging his manufacturing facilities so that the plant has furnished materials entering into the construction of many business houses and homes in and around Perry County. Part of his output are doors, sash, crates and boxes.

Mr. Spring was born near Roseville, in Muskingum County, Ohio, August 7, 1863, son of Martin Luther and Sarah Jenkins Spring, likewise natives of Muskingum County. His mother, Sarah Jenkins, was born July 26, 1844, and died in 1918, at the age of seventy-four. Martin Luther Spring was born January 2, 1839, and died in 1922, at the age of eighty-three. As a boy, when the Civil war came on, he looked after the home farm and his parents, while two of his brothers went to the front, one of them, John, losing his life in the battle of Gettysburg. M. L. Spring was a Lutheran in religion. He and his wife were married September 25, 1862, and they had a family of eleven children. The four sons are J. H., a farmer at the old homestead; Ira, a farmer living near Roseville; Charles, of Roseville, and George W.

George W. Spring was born and reared on a farm, and acquired his education by walking to the Belle School two miles distant from home. He remained with his parents until he was twenty-one, and then took up the timber business. He has owned a number of saw mills, and with his mills and logging operations has cleared many tracts of standing timber, converting it into lumber. He sold part of his lumber product for a number of years to the Plow and Farm Machinery Manufacturing Plant at Zanesville, owned by the Browns.

Mr. Spring married Miss Addie I. Stoneburner, daughter of N. H. Stoneburner, and sister of J. F. Stoneburner. They had two children: Clara, at home, and Mary, who died when nineteen years of age. Mr. Spring is a Lutheran and Mrs. Spring is a Methodist. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and is a democrat, though in local politics votes for the best man and gives his support to strong and honest government.

HARRY PERKINS THOMAS, banker, lumberman and wool buyer, has been a man of action and progressive spirit in the affairs of Fayette and adjoining counties for a number of years. His home is at Jeffersonville.

He was born in Clark County, Ohio, January 8, 1869. His grandfather, Samuel Thomas, a native of the State of Delaware, came to Ohio and settled in Warren County in 1792. That was some years before Ohio was admitted to the Union, and he was

one of the real pioneers of the state. Samuel Thomas married Mary St. John, a native of New York State. She died in 1871, at the age of eighty-eight, and was buried at Williams Chapel, near Charleston, Ohio. Their son, James Thomas, father of Harry P. Thomas, died at South Charleston at the age of seventy, and is buried in Kirkwood Cemetery, near London, Ohio. His wife, Sarah Maria Perkins, was born in Washington County, Ohio, and died in 1914, at the age of seventy, being buried in the same place as her husband.

Harry Perkins Thomas was liberally educated, attending common schools in Clark County, Wittenberg College at Springfield, and from 1886 to 1888 was a student in the normal school at London, Ohio. For about thirteen years he gave his time to the teaching profession, following it from 1886 to 1899. Part of the time his salary was thirty-four dollars a month. He taught in Madison and Clark counties, and for some time was connected with the public schools of South Charleston. After giving up school work he became an employe of the Houston Brothers Company, and when that business was incorporated as the Houston Company in 1905 he was one of the charter stockholders and acted as its secretary and treasurer. He had also for four years devoted part of his time to the affairs of the Farmers Bank of South Charleston. Selling his interest in the Houston Company in January, 1916, Mr. Thomas acquired an interest in a grain elevator and lumber yard at Sedalia, Ohio, taking its active management. He was also manager and part owner of a lumber and coal business at Jeffersonville. His interest in the Sedalia business was sold in 1919. In 1923 he bought an interest in a lumber concern at Cedarville, Ohio. He became a stockholder in 1920 in the Farmers Bank of Jeffersonville, and since 1922 has been its president. Through all these years he has been a wool buyer, and he estimates that since 1916 he has bought wool to the value of about a million five hundred thousand dollars.

Mr. Thomas is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, is a member of the Knights of Pythias, belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is a democrat. He served four years on the board of education at South Charleston.

On May 15, 1895, occurred his marriage to Elizabeth Siefert near South Charleston. She was born at Springfield, March 31, 1877, and was educated in the public schools at South Charleston. She is a member of the Progress Club and the Methodist Episcopal Church at Jeffersonville. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have three children, of whose records they are deservedly proud. The oldest, Cela Pearl, born in 1896, near South Charleston, was educated in the high schools there, graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1918 from the Western College for Women at Oxford, Ohio, and from 1918 to 1923 was an employe of the Farmers Bank at South Charleston. She is now an employe of the First National Bank at Boston, Massachusetts, also attending night classes in Boston University. She has registered for entrance to Prince College at Harvard. The second child, Dorothy Olive Thomas, born in 1898, finished her high school course at South Charleston, in 1918 entered the Illinois Woman's College at Jacksonville, Illinois, and has since continued her higher education at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

The only son is Samuel Max Thomas, who was born in 1900 at South Charleston. He took the public school work there, graduated in 1919 from the Sweetwater Military Institute at Sweetwater, Tennessee, and is now associated with his father in the lumber and coal business at Jeffersonville and Cedarville.

Charles P. Yocom, president of the First National Bank of Chester Hill, is in point of service the oldest active bank president of Morgan County. He has been identified with the mercantile interests of the county for forty years, rising from clerk to proprietor.

Mr. Yocom was born at Pennsville in Morgan County, September 22, 1863, son of Samuel B. and Sarah (King) Yocom, and grandson of Thomas Yocom and Joseph King, both from Pennsylvania and of Quaker ancestry. Samuel B. Yocom was a member of the Hixite branch of Quakers, his wife was of the Wilbur branch. Although Quakers, several members of the Yocom family were with Ohio troops during the Civil war. Samuel B. Yocom was a native of Pennsylvania and was a child when his parents moved to Belmont County, Ohio, and later to Pennsville. He was a man of fine character, but never accumulated a solid competency because of his over confiding nature of going security for and paying the debts of others. For some time he was in business as a merchant at Pennsville. He was assessor and justice of the peace, and was county treasurer of Morgan County from 1869 to 1873. In politics he was a republican, and he died in 1889, when about sixty-one years of age. His widow, Sarah King Yocom, is now eighty-four years of age and lives with a son at Oberlin, Ohio. Samuel B. Yocom's first wife was Miss DeWees, by whom there is a daughter, the widow of L. J. Harmer, of Pennsville. Sarah King Yocom has four sons: E. K., with whom she lives at Oberlin; Charles P.; F. R., of Barnesville, Ohio; and J. D., teacher of commercial law at Oberlin College.

Charles P. Yocom acquired his early education at Pennsville. He was seventeen years of age when he came to Chester Hill, going to work in the store of Nathan DeWees at a salary of $5 a month. A year later he became an employe for W. S. Smith, and worked behind the counter of his store four years. Following that he went on the road as a commercial traveler for the wholesale dry goods house of Black & Grant at Zanesville. He next became a partner in the mercantile business at Chester Hill with his namesake, Charles Penrose, who sold out his interest to J. C. Spurrier. Mr. Yocom was in this partnership for four years, and since then has been in business under his own name, C. P. Yocom. Along with merchandising he early became interested in banking, and was elected president of the First National Bank. He was also one of the organizers and is secretary of the People's Telephone Company.

Mr. Yocom married Miss Mary Humphreyville, daughter of Leonard Humphreyville, of Bartlett, Ohio. They have one daughter, Mrs. Earl Hodgin, of Chester Hill. Mr. Yocom is a member of the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge at McConnelsville, the Royal Arch Chapter at Beverly, and the Chester Hill Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In politics he votes republican.

George E. Peebles. A hard working, earnest and kindly physician, who has served several communities in Southeastern Ohio during the past years, Dr. George E. Peebles is a resident of Chester Hill, Morgan County. He represents some old and prominent families of Southeastern Ohio, and has the distinction of being a grandson of the first white child born in Ohio.

Doctor Peebles was born on a farm in Cedar County, Iowa, September 4, 1864, son of Chalkley and Agnes (Matthews) Peebles. The Peebles family is of Welsh ancestry. Burwell Peebles, his grandfather, came from Virginia and settled in Belmont County, Ohio. Chalkley Peebles, who was born in Belmont County in 1832, devoted most of his active life to farming. He died at the home of his son, Doctor Peebles, at Chester Hill at the venerable age of eighty-

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two. He early became a republican, was an abolitionist, and during the Civil war was a member of the tin cup brigade of the local militia, organized to protect Southern Ohio from Morgan's raid. Soon afterward, while the Civil war was still in progress, he moved out to Iowa, engaging in farming in Cedar County, but about 1865 returned to Ohio, living in Marion Township of Morgan County, then in Wesley Township of Washington County. He served as justice of the peace in Wesley Township. He was an active member of the Masonic Order, being affiliated with Mount Olive Lodge.

The mother of Doctor Peebles, Agnes Matthews, was a daughter of Rev. Philo Matthews, who was born in the historic block house at Marietta, the first white child born in that, the first permanent settlement of Ohio. He became one of the pioneers in the Methodist Ministry in Ohio, but lived only through young manhood. This minister was also a member of the Masonic Order. Doctor Peebles' mother died in 1899, at the age of sixty-four. Of her four sons and one daughter, one son died in infancy, and the two children now living are Doctor Peebles and his sister, Eleanor Agnes, Mrs. H. S. Addis of Long Beach, California. The other deceased sons were Charles, an oil producer, and Luther W., a graduate of the Iowa Medical College of Keokuk, who practiced medicine at Bartlett in Washington County, Ohio.

Dr. George E. Peebles was reared in Morgan County, attending school at Chester Hill and the Liberty School. He spent eight years as a teacher in rural districts in Washington, Morgan and Athens counties, and for a time was a teacher in the High School at Amesville. During 1894-96 he studied medicine in the old Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville. Doctor Peebles practiced three years at Stockport, Ohio, spent seven years at Jackson Center and Hardin in Shelby County, and since then has been located at Chester Hill. He has done the heavy work of a country physician in the community, and there is probably no one more genuinely esteemed in that section of the state. He is affiliated with the Mount Olive Masonic Lodge and is a republican in politics.

Doctor Peebles married, August 17, 1898, Adelia Geddes, daughter of Henry Geddes, of Stockport. The two children of this union are Gerald, a resident of Kansas City, and Margaret, who died at the age of six years. On February 8, 1908, Doctor Peebles married Mrs. Dolly Archer, daughter of William McPeak, of Rosseau, Ohio. Mrs. Peebles is a member of the Methodist Church.

Hon. Charles H. Fouts, a member from Morgan County in the Ohio State Legislature, from 1916 to 1924, as an official rendered some distinctive and able service. He has practiced law at McConnelsville for over thirty years, and is one of the best known citizens in that section of the state.

Mr. Fouts was born on a farm in Bristol Township of Morgan County, April 19, 1867. He is a man of sturdy mental and physical mould, and he inherits the characteristics of long lived and sturdy ancestry. His grandfather, Absolem Fouts, was a native of Virginia, and married Nancy Hedges, of that state. In 1820 they came to Ohio and settled in Morgan County, making their home on eighty acres and developing a good farm. Absolem Fouts died in 1871, and his wife, Nancy Hedges Fouts, lived to the great age of ninety-eight. They were enthusiastic Methodists, and Absolem Fouts was a sterling Jackson democrat. They reared a family of ten children.

Israel Fouts, father of the McConnelsville attorney, is a resident of McConnelsville, and is now (1924) ninety-two years of age. As a youth he taught the country schools in the old log cabin schoolhouses of Morgan County, and when the Civil war came on he volunteered and served as a private in Company C of the One Hundred and Twenty-second Ohio Infantry. Most of his services were rendered in the Shenandoah Valley and around Petersburg, Virginia. He was captured and for some time was held in Libby Prison. After the war he engaged in farming, and was honored with various township offices. He married Margaret Glenn, who died in 1910, at the age of seventy-four. They had two children: Charles H. and Mrs. J. W. Cunningham, of McConnelsville.

Charles H. Fouts was reared on the home farm in Bristol Township, attended country schools there, and completed his education in Ohio University at Athens, where he received his Master of Arts degree in 1890. For four years he was a teacher in Bristol and Bloom townships. He would teach one year and then attend college the next year, and in this way he paid for his own higher education. He studied law in the office of J. W. McElhiney at McConnelsville, was admitted to the bar in 1892, and since that year has had a very extensive private practice, involving many of the important cases in his section of the state. He was elected prosecuting attorney in 1896, holding that office six years. He served in the Lower House of the State Legislature for eight years. During his last term he was chairman of the judiciary committee. He also held the first chairmanship of the important reference committee, to which all bills are referred before being presented for general consideration to the House.

Mr. Fouts is a prominent republican, served two terms as a member of the Republican State Central Committee, and has been a member of various county, district and state conventions. He is a member of the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church and teacher of the Bible Class in Sunday School. He is a Master Mason and Odd Fellow, and a member of the County and State Bar associations.

In 1889 he married Miss Viola G. Mercer, a daughter of William D. Mercer. They have three daughters: Corinne, wife of Dr. D. G. Ralston; Louise, wife of Allen G. Biggs, of Kansas City, and Lucy, wife of Eugene J. Bell, of McConnelsville. Mr. Fouts on September 12, 1923, married Rosa M. Birch.

William Wilson Reed, postmaster of the City of Kent under three appointments, two from President Roosevelt, and at present with a commission signed by the late President Harding, Mr. Reed has taken a prominent part in the affairs of his native city. He practiced dentistry there until he first took up his duties as postmaster, and later, with his son, took up an extensive general insurance agency.

Mr. Reed was born at Kent, November 21, 1867, son of Levi and Clara C. (Stratton) Reed, both natives of Franklin Township, Portage County, and grandson of James Hastings and Thirsa (Scranton) Reed. James H. Reed spent his active career as a farmer in Portage County, his wife being a member of the Scranton family, extensive landowners. The maternal grandparents of William W. Reed were Joseph Beeman and Ruth (Olin) Stratton, Vermonters, who came overland with ox teams in 1815 and settled on land now included in the Akron Water Works plant. James H. Reed, in addition to his main occupation as a farmer, was a veterinary surgeon, and was one of the first men of that profession in the Western Reserve. Levi Reed after his marriage settled on a farm in Franklin Township, but after three years moved to Kent and became a carpenter in the shop of the Erie Railroad. Following that, with Lauren G. Reed and Luther A. Reed, his brothers, he engaged in the general merchandise business, selling groceries, feed and coal and also

operating a livery business. These three brothers had all been soldiers in the Union army during the Civil war, and another brother, Leveret, was killed while a soldier. After they had dissolved business partnership Levi Reed continued the livery establishment until his death in 1902. His widow passed away in 1919. Their children were: William Wilson; Lorena, deceased wife of Harry L'Hommedieu, leaving three daughters; Leona, wife of Samuel H. Boyd, of Akron, and Roy R., of Chautauqua Lake, New York.

William Wilson Reed spent his boyhood days at Kent, is a graduate of the high school of that city, and prepared for his profession in the Cincinnati College of Dental Surgery. He received his diploma of graduation March 2, 1887, and just five days later on March 7th, opened his office in Kent. For nearly twenty years, until January 1, 1905, he was a capable and very busy member of his profession. He sold his practice and on January 20, 1905, was appointed postmaster, taking charge of the office February 5th. He was reappointed for another term near the close of Roosevelt's administration. On October 1, 1913, the day he relinquished the office, after a service of over eight years, he entered the general insurance business with his son, Glenn H. This agency has developed into the largest in this section of Ohio, and is now continued by his son Glenn and his son-in-law, Ross Strimple.

On July 8, 1922, Mr. Reed was again appointed postmaster of Kent. This postoffice in the meantime had become a first class office, and its administration requires most of Mr. Reed's time and energy.

On October 24, 1888, he married Miss Minnie A. Musser, who was born at West Salem, Ohio, daughter of George and Lucetta (Hughes) Musser. Three children were born to their marriage. Hattie M. is the wife of Elson C. Dunlap, a farmer at Hudson, Ohio, and they have one daughter, Mary Dean. The son, Glenn H., previously mentioned, married Harriet Tuttle, and they have a daughter, Frances Katherine. Helen L. is the wife of Ross Strimple and the mother of one son, Reed Strimple.

Through all the years of his mature life Mr. Reed has interested himself in community affairs at Kent. He has served as an official and is a member of the Congregational Church. In 1895 he was elected city clerk, serving two years, and in 1898 was chosen for a three year term as a member of the board of education, being treasurer one year, For five years he was a jury commissioner of Portage County. In June, 1917, the City Council appointed him city clerk and in November of the same year he was elected without opposition and was reelected in 1919 and in 1921. In the meantime the title of the office was changed to city auditor. He resigned his connection with the municipal government on June 1, 1922, to become postmaster. At the date of both of his appointments to the office of postmaster he was serving as secretary-treasurer of the Portage County Republican Executive Committee. When the Kent Chamber of Commerce was formed he served seven years as its secretary, work involving a large amount of administrative detail, but all his service was given without compensation. He was one of the committee of three to secure the location of the Ohio State Normal School at Kent. He is affiliated with Akron Commandery of the Knights Templar Masons, and he and his wife are charter members of the local chapter of the Eastern Star. He is a member of the Twin Lakes Golf Club and a charter member of the Rotary Club.

His son, Glenn H. Reed, enlisted June 22, 1915, in the Eighth Regiment of Infantry at Akron as mess sergeant, and spent nearly a year on the Mexican Border. He handled all money for supplies for the regiment, and also was in charge of the Eighth Regiment Bank. On June 24, 1915, just two days after his enlistment, he married.

SAMUEL N. MANLY. One of the old and stable industries in South Central Ohio is known by the modern corporate title of the Brown-Manly Plow Company. It is an agricultural implement factory located at Malta, with branch houses and distributing stations over numerous states. It is a business that proceeds from the energy and enterprise of two families, the Manlys and Browns.

The founder of the Manly family in Ohio was William Manly, who came from Pennsylvania to Belmont County, Ohio, and soon afterward settled in Penn Township of Morgan County. His son, James Manly, was born in Belmont County, but lived from infancy in Morgan County. He had few advantages for education, and as a youth was bound out as an apprentice to a wagon maker at Morganville. When he was seventeen years of age he bought his time, and two years later he and his brother Frank B. established a shop of their own at Chaneyville. Here they made wagons and also the threshing machinery of that period. When the Civil war came on Frank B. Manly went into the Union army, James remaining at home to look after the business. When the war was over James and Frank Manly consolidated their business and partnership with Brown Brothers, John and W. P. Brown.

This was the start of the great enterprise now known as the Brown-Manly Plow Company and related industries. At first they manufactured as a specialty the double shovel plows. The president of the corporation today is R. K. Brown, a son of John Brown, one of the original partners. The general superintendent of the business is Samuel N. Manly, a son of James Manly, one of the founders. The original partnership consisted of men each expert in a particular line. The Manly Brothers had made a reputation as thorough workers in both wood and iron. John Brown was also an expert wood worker, while his brother, W. P. Brown, was a blacksmith. In the early history of the plant the product was sold from wagons direct to the farmer with the understanding that the plow was to be paid for in corn.

The old plant of the company in Malta was located where the Methodist Episcopal Church now stands. As the business prospered larger quarters were needed, and an old stove foundry was bought. Many additions have since been made, and the company now has large branch establishments in Columbus, Indianapolis and St. Louis, and the product has become a general line of agricultural machinery.

James Manly, who died at the age of eighty-two, was a very enthusiastic Mason, served as treasurer of his lodge for many years and reached the Knight Templar Commandery. He was largely responsible for erecting the Masonic Hall in Malta, a building that is now the property of the Manly family. James Manly was a republican in politics. He married Lydia Naylor, a sister of the father of the distinguished Malta citizen, Doctor Naylor. The four daughters of James Manly were: Ada M., deceased, the wife of John C. Brown, of Malta; Sarah D., deceased, wife of Isaac B. Pickett; Elizabeth, wife of Al Scott, of McConnelsville, and Mrs. Capitola McKeown, of Malta.

Samuel N. Manly was born at Chaneyville in Morgan County in 1854, and he learned the business by the same process as the older partners, by actual work in the factory. At the age of fifteen he began an apprenticeship at wood working, subsequently became a pattern maker, then assistant superintendent, and

William Matthews

since 1908 has been general superintendent of this important business. He is also vice president of the Malta National Bank, is a director of the Electric Light & Power Company, has served forty years as a director of the Brown-Manly Plow Company, and is a director of the Brown Manufacturing Company at Zanesville. Mr. Manly served for a time as a member of the Malta Town Council. He is a republican, is a Mason, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

He married Miss Mary White. Their children are: James W., owner of the Twin City Garage at McConnelsville; Josie, wife of Harry Cook, of Malta; Fred B.; Herbert H.; and Frances, wife of Harold White, a merchant of McConnelsville.

James J. Christie became a worker in granite in his native land of Scotland, and at Malta in Morgan County has built up a prominent industry known as the Malta Monument Works. His shops and yards have supplied a large amount of material for monumental purposes and particularly some very elaborate and costly designs, including the memorial monument to the Sisters of Poor at St. Francis in Cincinnati, and the memorial monument erected in McConnelsville in honor of the veterans of the Civil war, and another in honor of the veterans of the World war.

Mr. Christie was born in the Granite Hills of Aberdeen, Scotland, November 29, 1891, a son of George and Barbara (Mitchell) Christie. His parents are each now seventy-one years of age, and are living at Oyne in Aberdeenshire. His father is a retired farmer.

An older brother, George Christie, some years ago left Scotland and came to America to work at his trade as a granite cutter in the great quarries at Barre, Vermont. He was there until 1915, when, having returned to Scotland, he enlisted in the British navy and was assigned to duty on a mine sweeper off the coast of England. George Christie was twice wrecked in that very dangerous service, and his brother-in-law, Captain Weatherly, lost his life. While on duty as a mine sweeper he studied engineering, and is now chief engineer of a fishing vessel. His home port, while engaged in mine sweeping, was Harwich, England.

James J. Christie was reared in Scotland, attended public schools, and served his apprenticeship as a granite worker. In 1911, at the age of twenty, he came to the United States, also locating at Barre, Vermont. From there in 1913 he came to Malta, Ohio, and in less than three years was in business on his own account. He married in 1918 Miss Mae L. Taylor, daughter of Judge J. S. Taylor. They have one son, Robert S. Mr. Christie has actively identified himself with all causes effecting the improvement of his home locality. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Consistory of Columbus, and a Knight Templar of New Lexington, Ohio.

Charles E. Reeder has spent his active life in Central Ohio, with accumulating interests and success in the lumber and manufacturing business and as a farmer and grower of fine live stock. He is stockholder and manager of the Jones Lumber Company of McConnelsville.

This is an old and important industry of that city. It was organized in 1868 as the McConnelsville Sash and Door Company, the organizers being Ezra Alderman, S. S. Scott, David Mummey, George M. Hammond, Thomas Hammond and E. W. Beckett. Of these founders of the business Mr. Beckett is the only survivor. In 1898 the business was reorganized as the McKay and Jones Lumber Company, the active men being Robert McKay and Herman T. Jones. Another reorganization in 1908 made the Jones Lumber Company, of which T. J. Bailey is president and Charles E. Reeder manager. Mr. Reeder has been actively identified with the business since 1901, and has had its management since 1904.

He was born at Mount Vernon, in Knox County, Ohio, December 17, 1868, the same year that the business of which he is now manager was started. His parents, Wilson V. and Elizabeth A. (Haines) Reeder, were also born in Knox County. His father was an honored and substantial citizen of that county for many years, a farmer and live stock man, served as a Union soldier with an Ohio regiment, and filled a number of offices, including township trustee, assessor and treasurer. He was a staunch republican and was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Wilson V. Reeder died in 1909, at the age of sixty-eight years, and his widow now lives at the old home, aged eighty-two. They were the parents of seven children: Emma, wife of L. G. Braddock, a farmer, and owner of a string of fast horses at Mount Vernon; Miss Olive, of Zanesville; Della, wife of E. H. Sharp, a farmer of Mount Vernon; Charles; Myrtle, who married Robert Ash, and died at the age of forty, and they owned a dairy farm and manufactured ice cream at Mount Vernon; Bertha, wife of Robert Porter, of Mount Vernon; and Miss Blanch, living with her mother.

Charles E. Reeder, the only son of his parents, grew up on the old farm in Knox County. While a boy he attended the public schools of Union Township, and he remained at home contributing his labor to the farm until he was twenty-one. Since then most of his time has been taken up with some phase of the timber and lumber business. For a number of years he bought and sold staves, heading, and the other hickory timber used in the manufacture of vehicles. He is an expert on quality and values pertaining to the hardwood industry. He bought and sold timber in many parts of Ohio, and for a number of years was associated with D. M. Park & Company of Mount Vernon. He left there in 1901 to come to McConnelsville, where his business connections have already been traced.

In addition to his business Mr. Reeder had served two terms on the Town Council. He has never lost his love for the country and everything connected with the farm, particularly live stock. He and his son have one of the fine herds of thoroughbred Hereford cattle in Morgan County. Mr. Reeder owns two farms near McConnelsville, and in addition to his herd of registered Herefords he has a number of fine sheep and hogs.

He married in 1898 Miss Ida Moore, of Morgan County. They have three children. The daughter, Moss Lucile, is the wife of Oswald Nixon, an employe of the Jones Lumber Company. The son Beryl Parks, now an employe of the United Cigar Company at Springfield, Ohio, though under age volunteered for service in the World war, and spent eighteen months with the quartermaster's corps, most of the time at Camp Sheridan, Alabama. The younger son, Charles Raymond, better known as Teddy, has charge of one of his father's farms, and is specializing in live stock husbandry. Mr. Reeder and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is commander of the local order of the Maccabees, and in politics is a republican.

William Mathews, oil merchant and dealer at Delaware, is one of the very few men who have successfully stood up in a contest against the powerful resources and methods of the Standard Oil Company. His entire career indicates that he has been a man of undaunted courage and energy that no obstacles could overcome.

Mr. Mathews was born July 7, 1858, in Hilliar Township, Knox County, Ohio, son of Joseph B. and Miranda (Kempton) Mathews. His grandfather, Henry Mathews, was of German and Irish ancestry, and as a young married man came from Maryland to Ohio. That was in pioneer days. He took employment with a man who owned a very large tract of land covered with heavy timber, and he cut and cleared the timber from a large tract, taking his pay in land. In that way he acquired a farm. For a number of years he lived with the Indians and made friends with them, attending their dances and hunting parties. The maternal grandfather of William Mathews was William Henry Kempton, a native of Maine. Joseph B. Mathews was born, lived and died on one farm in Knox County. He passed away in 1908. He was a republican voter and a member of the Universalist Church.

William Mathews was reared on his father's farm in Knox County, and attended country schools there until he was about twenty, spending all his vacations at work on the farm. During one of these vacations he broke his leg, and being unfitted for the heavy work of the farm he learned the barber's trade and followed it seven years. Following that he began splitting rails for fencing, and he also took several contracts from the county for ditch work. After about six years of this strenuous labor, having saved some money, he bought a farm of 104 acres. After four years as a general farmer he went into the dairy business. After about eighteen months he disposed of that, and for three years operated a coal yard at Centerburg, Ohio. Mr. Mathews sold out his coal business to become an oil distributor, and that opened for him his permanent vocation. At first he did business at Centerburg and Sunbury. The oil was shipped to him in barrels, and he unloaded half a carload at Centerburg and half a car at Sunbury, and then distributed his product through the surrounding country with horse and wagon. He had a tank wagon, and drove a team of three horses. He operated over a territory forty miles in extent. He had his trade well established when the Standard Oil Company tried to prevail upon him to sell the standard products. He refused, having built up his trade with oils obtained from the independent fields and refineries of Pennsylvania of better quality than those manufactured by the Standard Company. At his refusal the Standard brought to bear upon him their well known methods of influencing or breaking down competition. Finding that he was undisturbed about threats, the company obtained information as to his territory, and sent a man in to sell oil at two cents a gallon less, and this failing to bring the desired results, offered it at another concession of two cents on the gallon. In the face of such destructive competition Mr. Mathews temporarily gave up the fight and, taking a bicycle and sample case, he traveled all over Northern Ohio selling the Eastern Pennsylvania high grade oils in car load lots, his orders being so strong that no cancellation was permissible, since the orders were immediately wired into the refineries and shipments made on receipt of wire. The Standard Company soon had another man on his trail. This representative cut the price a cent a gallon, and did everything possible to cancel the orders. They even hired Mr. Mathews' own brother, who had been working for him, paying him a big salary to represent the Standard Company. However, these unfair methods were so obvious that Mr. Mathews' friends and customers resented them and supported him in the unequal fight. He kept it up until the law came to his relief, and since then in a fair field and no favor he has had no difficulty in building up and maintaining a large volume of business as a dealer and distributor in oil. He has been in the business in Delaware for a third of a century, and his business has been built on the principles of honesty and quality and full value for the money.

July 7, 1879, at Mount Vernon, Ohio, Mr. Mathews married Miss Jennie Rea, daughter of James and Mary (Stark) Rea. Her parents were born and married in Scotland. They came to the United State in the '60s, bringing with them a considerable sum of money, intending to buy a farm. In New York they were robbed of all but $5, which Mrs. Rea had on her person. Knowing an Englishman in Newark, Ohio, they came out to his place and went to work for this Mr. Taylor in his dairy. James Rea was in his service fifteen years, and during that time saved enough to buy a farm in Knox County. The Rea family and the Mathews family lived in the same community, and Mr. and Mrs. Mathews attended school together. They are members of the Reformed Church of the United States. Mr. Mathews is a Mason and a member of the Protective Home Circle.

Peter Paul Rieske is mayor of the Village of Shawnee in Perry County. He is a very popular and forceful city executive, a man who gets things done, and has thoroughly deserved the respect and esteem accorded him in his home town, where he is also numbered among the successful business men.

Mr. Rieske was born at Dayton, Ohio, September 5, 1870, son of Constantine and Julia (Wise) Rieske His parents were born and reared in Posen, Prussia, but were married after coming to this country, at Dayton, Ohio. Constantine Rieske served his apprenticeship as a millwright in his native land. After coming to America he acquired citizenship as soon as possible, and in a number of communities was known as a very sturdy, thrifty and upright citizen. He built and operated flour mills in Wisconsin before his marriage, and after coming to Ohio he built the Union Flour Mills at Delphos, the Union Mills at Van Wert, and the roller mills at Xenia. As a miller he sought to introduce the use of cereals into more general use as food, according to the custom with which he was familiar back in his native land. He operated the first corn mills at Dayton. He was a republican, and always a great admirer of General Grant. His brother, Charles Rieske, who also came to this country, served as a soldier in an Ohio regiment during the Civil war, and afterward had a feed mill, grinding feed which was sold to street car companies which used horses and mules for motive power. Constantine Rieske was a member of the Lutheran Church. He died in 1906, at the age of sixty-nine, and his widow is now living at the age of seventy-five. They had a large family of seven sons and five daughters.

Peter Paul Rieske spent his boyhood days in several Ohio communities, attending the public schools at Delphos and at Van Wert. He began his apprenticeship to learn the baker's trade when only twelve years of age at Van Wert, and while supporting himself he continued his education by attending night school. As a journeyman baker he worked in many shops over the country, and for a number of years had charge of the kitchen and dining room at the Ohio State Hospital for the Insane both at Athens and at Columbus, receiving this appointment from Doctor Rorick, the superintendent.

Mr. Rieske has been a citizen of Shawnee since 1907, when he and Thomas Elder bought the bakery of which he is now proprietor from his father-in-law, J. P. Elder. Mr. Rieske was a member of the Town Council for four years, and was chairman of the finance committee. Since his election to his office

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of mayor he has held mayor's court and as a judicial officer his effort is primarily directed to securing a comprise between contesting parties who appear before him.

In 1891 Mr. Rieske married Miss Mary Ellen Elder, daughter of J. P. Elder, of Shawnee. They have an adopted daughter, Mrs. Fred Wiles.

HARRY COOK. One of the oldest and most successful industries in the Town of Malta in Morgan County is the Malta Manufacturing Company, a plant that for many years has been manufacturing interior building materials, and in later years has specialized in the manufacture of K. D. window frames. Many years ago it was started as a small planing mill to prepare material for the local building trades. The founder of the business was Amos G. Humphrey. In 1900 the Malta Manufacturing Company was incorporated, and Dr. Lee Humphrey has been president ever since. The secretary and treasurer and general manager is Harry Cook, who has practically grown up with the business. Since leaving school all his working experience has been with this one industry.

In former years the plant made balustrades and columns, and now its product is sold and distributed over a territory between St. Louis and Boston. The raw materials come from distant sections, cypress from Louisiana, yellow pine from North and South Carolina and Mississippi, and white pine from Oregon and Washington. It is the only factory in the United States specializing in cypress window frames. The great flood of 1903 destroyed the plant, but it was rebuilt as soon as material and labor could be assembled.

Harry Cook has filled every position in the industry up to secretary and treasurer and general manager. He was born August 21, 1878, son of U. M. and Martha (Hixnor) Cook, and was only a child when his mother died. He and his three brothers have all been very successful in business, and all of them had to work their way through school. His brother Herbert is now head of the Logan Pottery Company, Guy is New York branch manager of the American Clay Products Company, and Guy and Harry are joint owners of the Crooksville Pottery Company at Crooksville, Ohio.

Harry Cook managed to complete his high school course at Malta. In addition to his business responsibilities he has been a member of the Malta Town Council for eight years. He is secretary of the Methodist Episcopal Church, member of the finance committee and board of stewards, and recently resigned after twenty years of service as secretary and treasurer of the Sunday school. He has been three times master of the local Masonic Lodge, and is a republican in politics.

He married in 1903 a daughter of S. N. Manly, superintendent of the Brown-Manly Company. Their three children are: Martha, Harriet and Jean.

EMMETT L. MURPHY, a doctor of dental surgery, has practiced his profession at Corning in Perry County for a quarter of a century. His success in his chosen work and his deep public spirit have made him a leader in the community.

Doctor Murphy has spent practically all his life in this section of Southeastern Ohio. He was born in Athens County, in Alexander Township, November 30, 1874, son of O. B. and Aretta (Logan) Murphy. His mother's grandfather was John Logan, an early settler in Athens County, and her father, Henry Logan, was a farmer and justice of the peace and known all over this section as Squire Logan. The Murphy family came to America before the Revolutionary war, settling in Maryland. The grandfather of Doctor Murphy was Amos Murphy, a farmer and stock raiser in Athens County. O. B. Murphy was, like his father, born in Alexander Township of Athens County, and for half a century has been in the insurance business at Athens, now head of the firm O. B. Murphy & Son, his associate and partner being Frank R. Murphy. O. B. Murphy and wife are active members of the Methodist Church, and he is a Mason. He was born in 1852, and he and his wife have now been married for half a century. They had a family of three sons and two daughters: Clarence, a graduate of Ohio University and in the electrical supply business at Columbus; Frank, in the insurance business with his father; Emmett L.; Mabel, who graduated from Ohio University, and is the wife of Dr. H. A. Green, of Portsmouth, Ohio; and Carolyn, who also finished her education in Ohio University, and married F. S. Crooks, an attorney at Columbus.

Dr. Emmett L. Murphy was reared in Albany, Ohio, graduating from the high school there at the age of eighteen and subsequently choosing a professional career he entered the Ohio Medical College and was graduated in dental surgery with the Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 1899. He then located at Corning, and is now rounding out his twenty-fifth year in successful practice. He has served eight years on the City Council and twelve years on the Board of Education, and has been president of both.

In a business way he is secretary and treasurer of the Thorp-Repack Coal Company. He is chairman of the Corning Methodist Episcopal Church, has been elected four terms as master of the local Masonic Lodge, is a member of the Knights of Pythias and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and a republican in politics. During the World war he was active in the Red Cross and as a four-minute speaker. Doctor Murphy has spent all the time possible consistent with his profession out of doors, enjoys hunting and fishing, and is an ardent baseball fan. In his younger years he played second base on the old home baseball team.

On December 27, 1899, soon after beginning practice, Doctor Murphy married Miss Mary Rizer, daughter of Dr. James Rizer, of Russellville, Kentucky. She was educated in Notre Dame and in Ohio University. They have two children, Richard, who is a Bachelor of Arts graduate of Ohio University, and Helen, who is finishing her education in Ohio University.

CHARLES HENRY STAHL, admitted to the Ohio bar in 1902, has made his professional reputation at Akron, where he is senior partner in one of the most successful firms.

He was born in Paint Township, Holmes County, Ohio, May 18, 1873, son of Charles and Louise (Dodez) Stahl. His early education was acquired in the public schools of the good old community of Winesburg, and largely through his own efforts and earnings he put himself through college at Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio, where he graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1898 and subsequently was awarded the Master of Arts degree. In 1902 Ohio State University graduated him with the Bachelor of Laws degree. He was admitted to practice in the state courts in June of that year, and to the federal courts of the federal district of Ohio on October 20, 1912. Since 1916 his professional work has been done as a member of the firm Stahl & Andree, at 422 Central Savings & Trust Building. His is a general practice.

Mr. Stahl is a former president of the Akron Law Library, and for five years was secretary of the Summit County Bar Association, being also a member of the Ohio State and American Bar associations. He is president of the Summit County Children's Home,

and in 1918 was democratic candidate for judge of the Court of Appeals of the Eighth Judicial District. In Masonry he is past master of Adoniram Lodge, No. 517, Free and Accepted Masons; a member of Washington Chapter, No. 25, Royal Arch Masons; Bethany Commandery No. 72, Knights Templar; Yusef Khan Grotto, No. 42, Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and Tadmor Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Akron, Ohio. Be belongs to the University Club, Akron City Club, Delta Chi fraternity, Chamber of Commerce, Silver Lake Country Club, and from 1907 to 1922 was member of the Official Board of Trinity Lutheran Church of Akron, Ohio. The various causes took his full participation during the World war. He acted as a four-minute speaker and as secretary of the Legal Advisory Board of the Third District.

Mr. Stahl married, September 26, 1906, Miss Cora Belle Snyder, of Akron. They had two children, a son, Charles H., Jr., deceased, and a daughter, Margaret, who is a senior at Central High School in the City of Akron, Ohio.

ANTHONY T. SHARSHAL is one of the oldest residents of the Town of Shawnee in Perry County. He has been identified with a number of business interests directly related to the vital welfare and prosperity of the community.

He was born September 11, 1852, son of Jacob and Margaret (Coble) Sharshal. His grandfather was also named Jacob Sharshal, and was the founder of the family in America, coming from Alsace-Lorraine to the United States in 1832. He landed in Philadelphia and came direct to Ohio, where he acquired a tract of Government land in Hocking County, on the north side of the river, for his two sons, Rudolph and Jacob. At that time all land south of the river had not yet been surveyed by the Government. Jacob Sharshal was one of thirty-five Germans to comprise the original German colony in that section of Ohio. After locating his land he traveled largely by blazed trails through the woods to Chillicothe to file on the land at the land office.

Jacob Sharshal, father of Anthony T., became a farmer in Hocking County, and died September 29, 1875. His wife, Margaret Coble, was of French ancestry, and she was born in Baltimore, Maryland. Jacob and Margaret Sharshal were the parents of four sons. The two now living are Adam, who is foreman of the asbestos department of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway shops at Parsons, Kansas, and Anthony T. Another son, Nicholas, was a soldier with the Thirty-first Ohio Infantry, was wounded near Nashville, Tennessee, and died soon afterward in a hospital at Nashville, in September, 1862. The other brother, Joseph, joined the army in August, 1862, in the One Hundred and Fourteenth Ohio Infantry, was twice wounded, was transferred to the One Hundred and Sixty-second Infantry, and after being disabled for active duty was a guard in Washington until the end of the war. In 1868 he moved out to Salem, Nebraska, becoming a pioneer in that Western country, and died there in 1878. The parents of these children, Jacob Sharshal and Margaret Coble, were married at Lancaster, Ohio. She died September 19, 1867.

Anthony T. Sharshal was about nine years old when the Civil war broke out. His two older brothers going into the army, his assistance was needed at home, and at the age of twelve years he left school to help his father on the farm. All his education was acquired in District No. 9, Marion Township of Hocking County. When he was nineteen years of age he left home and went to work for the McKinney Brothers, contractors in building the branch of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway through Perry County. He was a mule driver and operated a scraper with these contractors, and the work brought him for the first time to the then small village of Shawnee. When he left the railroad construction work he helped open the New York and Central Coal Mines, the Central Mine being at New Straitsville. He was engaged in coal mining five years, and subsequently became a wholesale dealer in ice and domestic coal. He opened the Sharshal Mine, now the property of the Double X Company. In 1902, with his son Frank A., he bought a hardware business, and continuously for over twenty years has been selling hardware in Shawnee. His store was burned out in 1907, causing a heavy loss.

Anthony T. Sharshal is a democrat in politics, and he was a member of the building committee when St. Mary's Catholic Church at Shawnee was built. In the spring of 1878 he married Martha Burns, daughter of Jacob and Eliza Burns. She was born at Eagleport, Ohio. Her father was a cooper by trade, and also operated a ferry at Eagleport. Mr. Sharshal lost his first wife by death March 15, 1883. The three children of this marriage were: Bertha, wife of W. P. Welsh, of Akron; Frank A., whose career is sketched in later paragraphs, and Martha Ellen, wife of Bernard Mitchell, of New Straitsville.

The second wife of Anthony T. Sharshal was Elizabeth Sweeney, daughter of William and Margaret Sweeney, of Junction City, Perry County. She died in 1903, leaving two daughters: Margaret, wife of Frank Wilson, of Marysville, Ohio; and Mary, wife of Frank Montell, of Shawnee. Mr. Sharshal on February 7, 1907, married Mrs. Emma (Wilson) Auer, of Columbus, Ohio.

Frank A. Sharshal, who is a well known citizen of Shawnee and a coal operator, was born in that town of Perry County, May 14, 1880. He attended the local public and parochial schools, and after leaving school took up clerical work. As a telegraph operator he served the Zanesville & Western Railroad at various points, and was with the Baltimore & Ohio, also, at various points, and finally with the Pennsylvania Railroad at Steubenville, Wellsville and Cleveland.

In 1902 he became associated with his father as a partner in the hardware business, and was with the firm until 1906. In that year he became cashier of the bank at Shawnee, remaining there for fourteen years, until June, 1920. Since leaving the bank Mr. Sharshal has been secretary-treasurer of the Blaire-Sharshal Coal Company and of the Groff-Sharshal Mining Company. For one term he was treasurer of the Shawnee Town Corporation and Saltlick Township, and is a republican in politics. In 1904 he married Miss Jessie Grant, daughter of Samuel Grant, of Shawnee. They have a family of two sons and three daughters, Thomas, John, Frances, Catherine and Mary. The son Thomas is now assisting his grandfather in the hardware business at Shawnee.

LLOYD C. KIRK, county engineer and surveyor of Columbiana County, was in the aviation service during the World war, and one of the few Americans trained for that service who went overseas. He is a native of Columbiana County, and had considerable experience in engineering before he went into the war service.

He was born at Salineville, Columbiana County, July 1, 1890. His grandfather, Isaac Kirk, was a pioneer farmer, coal mine owner and operator at Salineville, where he spent most of his active life. William Frank Kirk, father of the county engineer, is now a retired resident of Salineville, where he has spent all his life. He was born there in 1854, and until he retired was engaged in farming, mer-

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chandising and the insurance business. He is a republican and a member of the Masonic fraternity. William F. Kirk married Miss Jane Carnahan, of Carrollton, Ohio, who died at the family home in Salineville in May, 1919. There are five children: Clare J., who is employed in the general offices of the Pennsylvania Railway at Philadelphia; Lloyd C.; Mary, wife of Jonah T. Moore, a brick mason at Salineville; Nellie, who married John L. Hutson, a furniture merchant and undertaker at Salineville, and Helen, wife of James Boice, a potter, living at Salineville.

Lloyd C. Kirk acquired his early education at Salineville, where he did three years of work in high school. He took the four years' regular course in Ohio Northern University at Ada, and was graduated Bachelor of Science with the class of '14. While there he was a member of the Theta Nu Epsilon fraternity. Soon after graduating he went to work for the American Bridge Company as a draftsman in the offices at Ambridge, Pennsylvania. He was there two years, and prior to his military service was in the bridge department of the New York Central Railway, with headquarters at Cleveland.

On October 16, 1917, Mr. Kirk began his training in the aviation corps, spending one month at Columbus, Ohio; two months at San Antonio, Texas, and then at Omaha, Nebraska. On February 1, 1918, he sailed for France, landing at Liverpool February 19, and about a week later crossed the channel to France. He was in the baloon service, and was with that branch in the aviation corps in the great offensive of St. Mihiel and the Meuse-Argonne. Mr. Kirk returned home May 10, 1919, and received his honorable discharge at Camp Lee, Virginia, in the same month, having been in the service nearly twenty months altogether.

In November, 1920, Mr. Kirk was elected county surveyor and engineer of Columbiana County. His first term officially began September 1, 1921. He was reelected in November, 1922, and his present term began September 1, 1923. His offices are in the courthouse at Lisbon. Mr. Kirk is unmarried. He is a republican in politics, and in Masonry is affiliated with Salineville Lodge No. 348, Free and Accepted Masons, has taken eighteen degrees in the Scottish Rite Consistory at Steubenville, and finished the Scottish Rite degree in Lake Erie Consistory, Valley of Cleveland. He is also a member of Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus, and Salem Lodge No. 305, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His military affiliations are with John Adams Post of the American Legion at Salineville, and Private Eddy Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at East Liverpool.

JOHN N. CALHOON, M. D. Graduating from medical college in the centennial year of American independence, Doctor Calhoon has been an honored and useful member of the medical profession nearly half a century, and for nearly forty years his home and practice have been at Lisbon, Columbiana County.

Doctor Calhoon was born in Georgetown, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, July 27, 1855. His father, Richard Calhoon, born in Pennsylvania in 1821, from early manhood lived at Georgetown, where he married and where he died in 1903, at the age of eighty-two. He was a captain and owner of steamboats on the Ohio River plying between Pittsburgh and New Orleans. During the Civil war he placed his boats and himself at the service of the Federal Government, and frequently ran down the river past the hostile forts. Captain Calhoon was a staunch republican, a valued member of the Presbyterian Church, and was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity. He married Elizabeth McCurdy, who was born in Pittsburgh in 1832 and and died at Georgtown in 1904. They were the parents of four children: Dora M., who died at Beaver, Pennsylvania, in 1901, wife of Smith Curtis, editor and owner of the Beaver Argos and Radical, who died in 1921; Ella, who died at Springfield, Missouri, in 1923, widow of John Cagley, a wholesale feed merchant who died in that Missouri city in 1904; Susan, of Georgetown, Pennsylvania, widow of John R. Peters, who was a coal mine operator and owner.

Doctor Calhoon, fourth and youngest child of his parents, was educated in the public schools of Georgetown, spent four years in Beaver College, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree, and at the age of twenty-one, in 1876, received his Doctor of Medicine degree from Western Reserve University at Cleveland. Doctor Calhoon for one year practiced at Rochester, Pennsylvania, spent three years at Fairfield, Ohio, and then for several years was out of practice on account of ill health. He located at Lisbon in 1885, and since that year has rendered a most capable service in medicine and surgery. He is president of the Lisbon Medical Board, is a member of the Columbiana County Medical Society, the Ohio State and American Medical Association, and the South Side Medical Society of Pennsylvania. He owns his residence and office building on North Market Street. Doctor Calhoon is a republican, a member of the Lisbon Methodist Episcopal Church, and has taken all the degrees, Lodge, Encampment and Canton, in Odd Fellowship. He is a past grand of Concordia Lodge No. 88 at Lisbon, and belongs to the Canton Buckeye at Lisbon.

Doctor Calhoon's first wife died in 1904, leaving one daughter, Meta, who is the wife of Howell E. Williams, superintendent of a pattern shop at Salem, Ohio. On September 12, 1918, at Cleveland, Doctor Calhoon married Miss Sadie Dennis, a native of that city, a graduate of the Cleveland High School, and also a graduate nurse by profession.

JAMES HENRY HERRING has maintained his home at Mansfield since he was a lad of about fourteen years, and from this now thriving and important industrial city he went forth as a loyal young soldier of the Union in the Civil war. He has been long and actively identified with business activities at Mansfield, and is now the executive head of the Herring Motor Company.

Mr. Herring was born at Everett, Bedford, County, Pennsylvania, November 27, 1842, and in 1857 the family home was established at Mansfield, Ohio, which was then a mere village. Here his father, George W. Herring, followed his trade, that of blacksmith, until he received the injury that resulted in his death at the age of fifty-seven years, his wife, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Dennison, having died in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, in 1850, and both having been natives of the old Keystone State, where the respective families were early founded.

James H. Herring gained a common school education, and as a youth he learned the blacksmith trade under the effective direction of his father, whose pioneer shop at Mansfield was situated on South Main Street. On the 11th of December, 1861, less than one month after his nineteenth birthday anniversary, Mr. Herring enlisted as a member of the First Ohio Independent Battery of Light Artillery, in the company commanded by Captain McMullen of Mansfield. This battery was assigned to the Army of the Potomac and the Army of Western Virginia, and with it Mr. Herring continued in active service at the front for a period of three years. He participated in the various campaigns in Northern Virginia, and among the more important battles in which he took part were those of Second Bull Run, Lynchburg, Lexington, Frederick, Boonesboro, South Mountain, Antietam (Maryland), the many stirring battles in the Shenandoah Valley of Vir-

ginia, and the engagements of his command in West Virginia, including the Battle of Winchester and many other major engagements. After a record of loyal and gallant service as a soldier of the Union during virtually the entire period of the Civil war Mr. Herring received his honorable discharge, and upon his return to Mansfield he resumed work in his father's blacksmith shop, of which he eventually became the owner. He finally moved his headquarters from Main Street to the corner of Fourth and Foster streets, where for forty-nine years he made a specialty of manufacturing buggies of high grade, as well as carriages. He installed machinery of the best type and continued to conduct a prosperous manufacturing enterprise until the advent of automobiles made his business unprofitable. He has kept pace with the march of progress and he is now identified with the automobile business, as the head of the Herring Motor Company. His four sons became associated with him in his former manufacturing industry, and the title of the Herring Buggy Company finally gave place to that of the Herring Motor Company. In 1913 Mr. Herring and his sons erected on the site of the former buggy factory the present modern building, 60 by 108 feet in dimensions, two stories and basement, this building being headquarters of the garage and automobile business of the Herring Motor Company, which here has the agency for the Overland, Willys-Knight, Nash and other automobiles, as well as for leading motor trucks, besides which a representative general garage and supply business is conducted by the concern. Mr. Herring takes great satisfaction in still maintaining his association with business interests in the city that has long been his home and with the development and upbuilding of which he has been identified. He has been a trustee of the Mansfield Public Library from the time of its founding, and is still one of its most active members, is an honored member of the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce, and has been influential in the activities of the republican party in his home city and county. He was a member of the election board of the county for a period of twelve years, during six of which he was its chairman, and he has been a delegate to state and other conventions of his party in Ohio. He and his family are communicants of the Second Lutheran Church of Mansfield.

Mr. Herring has continued to maintain deep interest in his old comrades of the Civil war, and is one of the most prominent members of McLaughlin Post No. 131, Grand Army of the Republic, Mansfield, Ohio, of which he was the commander in 1897. He has served from the beginning as a trustee of the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Building in Mansfield, and as such was active in purchasing the site and in erecting the fine building in 1888, this being the headquarters of the Grand Army Post, of which he is one of the most active members.

On December 18, 1866, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Herring and Miss Nancy J. West, who was born and reared at Mansfield, a daughter of the late Sylvester West. The devoted marital companionship of Mr. and Mrs. Herring continued fifty-seven years, lacking a few months, and the gracious ties were finally severed when the loved and devoted wife and mother was summoned to the life eternal, her death having occurred February 21, 1923, and having brought the supreme loss and bereavement in the life of her husband. The four sons, John A., George W., Diamond and Leroy, are their father's associates in the Herring Motor Company, and as citizens and business men are well upholding the honors of the family name.

Walter C. Nevin, M. D. Engaged in practice at Lisbon, during a period of a third of a century, Doctor Nevin has won success and honor by the faithfulness that has characterized his performance of duty. He is one of the most prominent of the older men of the medical profession of Columbiana County.

Doctor Nevin was born at New Waterford, in Columbiana County, September 1, 1862. His grandfather, James Nevin, was born in County Antrim, Ireland, of Scotch-Irish stock, and was six years of age when his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nevin, came to America and settled on a Pennsylvania farm. He grew up in Pennsylvania, and when about of middle age settled in Columbiana County, where he spent the rest of his life as a farmer. He died near Negley in Columbiana County. His wife, Hanna Scott, was a native of Pennsylvania, and died near Enon Valley in that state.

John Nevin, father of Doctor Nevin, was born in Unity Township of Columbiana County, in January, 1834, and spent practically all his life in his native county. Most of his years were devoted to farming, but for a portion of his life he was engaged in merchandising at Palestine, and also at New Waterford. In 1889 he moved to Lisbon, and lived retired until his death in January, 1917. He was an active member and an elder in the United Presbyterian Church. John Nevin married Duira Brewster, who was born at Petersburg, Ohio, in 1840, and lives with her only child, Doctor Nevin, at Lisbon.

Doctor Nevin was reared in a home of a prosperous farmer and merchant, and some of his early discipline in hard work was acquired on his father's farm. He attended public schools at Lisbon, graduating from high school there in 1880. Subsequently Doctor Nevin pursued his medical education in two of the oldest and best medical schools of the East, spending one year in the Bellevue Hospital Medical College in New York, and two years in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1890. Continuously since his graduation Doctor Nevin has been devoted to his duties as a physician and surgeon at Lisbon. His offices are on the north side of the Public Square, in a building adjoining the Firestone Bank. Doctor Nevin was health commissioner of Lisbon for three years, and is a member of the County and Ohio State Medical societies. During the World war he offered his services to the United States Government, but was kept at Lisbon. All cases of enlisted men that came under his care were treated without compensation. Doctor Nevin is a republican and a member of the United Presbyterian Church.

On January 17, 1887, at Lisbon, he married Miss Della Morrow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morrow, now deceased. Her father was a blacksmith. The only child of Doctor and Mrs. Nevin is Bruce Morrow, who was born June 6, 1903, and is a senior in the Lisbon High School.

Seward Harris, M. D. A prominent physician and surgeon at Lisbon, Doctor Harris has practiced in Columbiana County for over ten years, and has achieved a position of high rank in his profession in this section of Eastern Ohio.

Doctor Harris was born at Lodi, in Seneca County, New York, October 27, 1882. The Harris family has been in America since Colonial times, coming from Holland and first settling in New Jersey. Several generations of the name have lived in Seneca County, New York. Doctor Harris' grandfather was born in Seneca County in 1820, and spent all his life there as a farmer. He died in 1896. The grandmother was Lettice Wyckoff, also a native of Seneca County.

Abram W. Harris, father of Doctor Harris, was born in Seneca County, November 26, 1853, was reared and married there, and devoted all his active years to farming. In 1921 he retired, and has since had a home in Lodi, where he spends the summer months,

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and he lives with his son, Doctor Harris, at Lisbon during the winters. He is an active democrat, and one of the prominent members in the Presbyterian Church at Lodi. Abram W. Harris married Minnie Brooks, who was born in Seneca County, November 8, 1855. They have three children: Herbert, a hardware merchant at Lodi, New York; John B., a farmer in Seneca County, and Seward.

Seward Harris was reared on a farm in Central New York, attended public schools, and first prepared himself for the vocation of teacher. In 1904 he graduated from the Cortland Normal School in New York, and for four years was engaged in teaching at South Orange, New Jersey. Then, in 1908, he entered the medical department of the University of Michigan, completing the regular four year course and graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1912. He is a member of the Phi Chi medical fraternity.

After graduating Doctor Harris spent a year as an interne in St. Elizabeth Hospital at Dayton, Ohio, and located at Lisbon on July 1, 1913. He has ever since been busy with a general practice both as a physician and surgeon, his offices being in the People's Bank Building. He is a member of the Columbiana County and Ohio State Medical societies.

Doctor Harris votes as a republican, is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Lisbon, and is affiliated with New Lisbon Lodge No. 65, Free and Accepted Masons; Lisbon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Salem Commandery, Knights Templar; Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland, and Concordia Lodge No. 88, Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Lisbon.

Doctor Harris has one of the attractive homes at Lisbon, located on Lincoln Highway, West. He married at Ovid, New York, September 6, 1911, Miss Jane Bodine, daughter of Joseph S. and Maria (Jones) Bodine. Her mother lives at Ovid, and her father died there after many years' association with farming. Doctor Harris lost his wife by death December 1, 1922.

William Herman Geiger, who represents a family that has lived in Eastern Ohio for a century, is one of the leading educators of the state, being superintendent of schools of Lisbon. His brother, Franklin Paul Geiger, is an educator also, in Columbiana County, being superintendent of schools at East Liverpool.

William Herman Geiger was born near Malvern, in Carroll County, Ohio, December 27, 1879. The farm where he was born and where he grew up is now owned by his brother, Edwin C., and is the original Geiger homestead, settled by his great-grandfather, John Jacob Geiger. This ancestor was a native of Baden, Germany, and came to America in the early '20s of the last century, settling on and improving the farm noted above in Carroll County, where he spent the rest of his life. His son, John Paul Geiger, was born in Baden, Germany, in 1818, and was about four years of age when brought to this country. He also made farming his lifelong vocation, and died at his farm near Malvern in January, 1892. His wife was Mary Magdalene Schneider, who died near Malvern.

John Jacob Geiger, father of William H. Geiger, was born near Malvern, February 4, 1846, and spent all his life in that community, where he was successfully engaged in farming until his death on May 5, 1918, at the age of seventy-three. He was a very substantial and influential citizen, an active worker in the Reformed Church, and always voted as a republican. His wife, Mary Schory, was born near Minerva, December 4, 1847, and is now seventy-seven years of age. Their children were seven in number, the oldest being Franklin Paul Geiger, above mentioned as superintendent of schools at East Liverpool; Anna S., deceased, was the wife of Clarence Foltz, a farmer near Malvern; Edwin C. owns and operates the old homestead; Emma died at the age of two years; William Herman is the fifth in age; Mary Edna married Herbert A. Weaver, who is in the offices of the Timken Company, automobile accessory manufacturers at Canton, and John Q., the youngest, lives at home.

William Herman Geiger's early associations were with the home farm in the community where the Geigers have lived for four generations. He attended rural schools in Brown Township of Carroll County, graduated from the Malvern High School in 1898, and did his first work as a teacher in the rural district of Stark County, where he continued teaching five years. In the meantime he was spending his summers and other vacation periods advancing his own education in Mount Union College, and in 1910 graduated with the Bachelor of Philosophy degree from that college. He was a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at Mount Union. In the meantime, from 1903 to 1907, he had been superintendent of schools at Waynesburg, Ohio, and during 1907-08 he taught in the City High School at Alliance. In 1908-09 he was superintendent of schools in Lexington Township of Stark County, doing this work while carrying his studies in college.

After graduating Mr. Geiger spent the school year 1910-11 as a teacher in the East Liverpool High School, and during 1911-12 did post-graduate work in the University of Chicago, where he received his Master of Arts degree in June, 1912. While at the University of Chicago he was elected a member of the teachers' fraternity, Chi Delta Kappa. Mr. Geiger was superintendent of schools in Caldwell, in Noble County, from 1913 to 1917, and since the latter year has been superintendent of the city schools at Lisbon. Lisbon has three schools and a staff of twenty-eight teachers, the scholarship enrollment being about one thousand.

Mr. Geiger is well known in educational circles, being a member of the Columbiana County Teachers Association, the Columbiana County School Masters Club, the Northeastern Ohio Teachers' Association, the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the National Educational Association. He is a member of the Lisbon Kiwanis Club, is a republican, is an elder in the First Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with Noble Lodge No. 459, Free and Accepted Masons, at Caldwell, and Cumberland Chapter No. 116, Royal Arch Masons, at Caldwell.

On August 8, 1912, in Knox Township, Columbiana County, he married Miss Esther S. Yaggi, whose parents, Christian and Lucinda (Hoffman) Yaggi, now deceased, were prosperous farmers in that section Mrs. Geiger finished her education in Mount Union College. They have two children, Doris Virginia and Martha Lynette.

George E. Hayward, president of the Central National Bank of Marietta, was born in Southeastern Ohio, a member of a pioneer family in that section of the state, was educated for the profession of civil engineering, and his career has brought him an unusual diversity of experiences.

He was born at Waterford, Washington County, Ohio, June 9, 1868, son of Barkley and Eliza (Murray) Hayward. His great-grandfather was a captain in Pennsylvania troops during the American Revolutionary war, and for his services received a land grant, which he received in Morgan County. The Murrays came to the Northwest Territory in the years following the close of the Revolution, along with the second installment of permanent settlers from the East. The grandfather of the Marietta banker was Edward Tupper Hayward, a brother of Capt. Rotheus Hayward, one of the prominent figures

in the early life in this section of Ohio. Barkley Hayward, son of Edward Tupper Hayward, was born in Washington County, was a farmer, stock dealer and lumberman, and died at the family home in 1909, at the age of sixty-seven. During the Civil war, being too young to join the army, he was a member of the militia known as Squirrel Hunters, organized for the purpose of driving Morgan and his raiders from the state. His wife, Eliza (Murray) Hayward, was born in Morgan County, Ohio, and died at the age of sixty-three. She was of a New Hampshire family, and a lineal descendant of Capt. William McMurray, who as a captain in a regiment of the Pennsylvania line, was with Washington at the battles of Monmouth, Trenton and Redbank, and was a prisoner on the English prison ship Jarvis until exchanged. Subsequently the family dropped the Mc from the name, spelling it simply Murray.

George Edward Hayward, only child of his parents, spent part of his boyhood at Beverly in Washington County, where he attended high school, and largely by his own efforts and earnings he paid his way through the engineering department of Ohio State University, working as a draughtsman and doing other work. He graduated with the Civil Engineer's degree in 1893. He taught one country school, and his first regular employment in his profession was with the Chicago, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, now a part of the Baltimore and Ohio system. He was assistant engineer from 1893 to 1898, and from 1898 to 1900 was county surveyor of Tuscarawas County, Ohio. From 1900 to 1902 he was roadmaster with the Chicago and Northwestern Railway, with headquarters at Mankato, Minnesota, on the Minneapolis and Sioux City Division. Resigning this railroad work, he spent the years from 1902 to 1904 as manager of the Bronson Portland Cement Company, Bronson, Michigan, leaving there to return to Marietta, where in 1904 he became president of the Rudd Hayward Lumber Company.

This was a business for the manufacture as well as the sale of lumber. Mr. Hayward in 1912 became vice president of what was then the German National Bank, serving as vice president and managing director until 1915, when he was elected president. This is now the Central National Bank. He is treasurer of the Marietta Refining Company, and is interested in a number of oil producing organizations. He is president of the S. A. Mullikin Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, and the New American Oil Company, Marietta, also treasurer of the C. & M. Amusement Company of Marietta.

Mr. Hayward married, June 29, 1897, Katherine G. Truesdell, daughter of the late John W. Truesdell. Mr. and Mrs. Hayward are Presbyterians, and their home life is their supreme association. For nine years Mr. Hayward was a member of the board of trustees of his church, and is a member of the Country Club.

JOHN L. GLEASON, present director of public service and safety for the City of Girard, spent his early years as an educator, and was identified with the public schools of Girard for a time. He is a chemist, and was in the chemical warfare division during the World war.

Mr. Gleason was born at Union Springs, Cayuga County, New York, July 11, 1886, member of a family that has been in New York for over a century. He is of English ancestry. His grandfather, John Gleason, was born at Kinderhook, New York, and from early manhood followed his trade as blacksmith at Auburn. He married Alma Friedell, a native of Germany, who died at Auburn, New York. Robert Gleason, father of the Girard public official, was born at Auburn, New York, in 1843, was reared and married there, but spent most of his adult life at Union Springs, engaged in farming. He died there in June, 1888. He served as a soldier in the Civil war four years, enlisting at the age of eighteen, in 1861, in Seward's Light Artillery, and attained the rank of sergeant. During his four years of military experience he participated in many of the great battles in Virginia and Maryland, including Fredericksburg, Cold Harbor, Chancellorsville and the Wilderness. He was a staunch republican in politics, and a member of the Presbyterian Church. Robert Gleason married Mary Lawrence, who was then the widow of William Daly, who had been a New York State farmer. By this marriage there is a daughter, Ella K., wife of Edgar K. Dun Van, a physician and surgeon at Sioux City, Iowa. Mrs. Robert Gleason was born at Aurora, New York, and now lives at Rochester, that state. By her second marriage she has four children: James, an electrician at Caledonia, New York; Robert J., assistant traffic manager for the Wheeling Steel Corporation, living at Wheeling, West Virginia; Max, a retail grocer at Rochester, New York; and John L.

John L. Gleason attended public schools at Union Springs, New York, graduating from high school there in 1903. He then entered Cornell University, at Ithaca, graduating in 1907, with the Bachelor of Arts degree. Mr. Gleason served four years as principal of schools at Walker, New York, for four years was principal at Honeoye, New York, and in 1916 came to Girard, Ohio. For one year he was principal of schools there, but resigned in 1917 to become foreman in the testing laboratory of the Brier Hill Steel Company's plant at Youngstown. This work he resigned to enlist on April 1, 1918, for duty in the chemical warfare division, in which he held the rank of first sergeant. He was stationed on duty at Boston, Massachusetts, and Providence, Rhode Island, receiving his honorable discharge February 15, 1919. Mr. Gleason then returned to his old position with the Brier Hill Steel Company. He served there until January 1, 1922.

From 1920 to 1922 he was city clerk of Girard, and since 1922 has been director of public service and safety. He is a trustee of the Girard Public Library.

Mr. Gleason, who is unmarried, is a republican, a member of the First Christian Church and a teacher in the Bible School. He is past chancellor commander of Friendship Lodge No. 65, Knights of Pythias, deputy grand chancellor of the Grand Lodge of the State of Ohio, and in October, 1923, was a delegate to the Grand Lodge at Toledo. He is also a member of the Girard Kiwanis Club.

LAWRENCE ANDRESS SACKETT. The Electric League of Columbus, in which Lawrence A. Sackett has been honored with the office of president, comprises all the corporations, firms and individuals engaged in the various branches of electrical trade, electrical manufacture and electrical construction in the city. Its purpose is not only of mutual benefit and protection of its members, but the protection of the public and the general interest and welfare of the electrical industry. It is one of the most useful business organizations in the city.

The honor of being elected president came to Mr. Sackett as a result of his long established experience and leadership in the electrical business. He is president of the Sackett Mine Supply Company, the primary feature of whose business is handling electrical supplies.

Mr. Sackett was born at Columbus, in 1877, son of Herbert R. and Mary H. (Andress) Sackett, and on both sides represents pioneer Ohio families. His grandfather, Rev. John Buell Sackett, and Rev. Lucius Andress were both Baptist ministers. Her-

bert R. Sackett was for many years engaged in the coal mining industry, with headquarters both at Columbus and Athens, and his home is at Columbus.

Lawrence A. Sackett attended public schools in Columbus, was also a student in Ohio State University, and is one of the loyal sons of his alma mater. At the age of sixteen he enlisted in the old Fourteenth Ohio Infantry of the National Guard, and he was one of the members of this regiment to volunteer for active duty in the Spanish-American war in 1898.

It was in 1898 that the Sackett Mine Supply Company was founded. The first headquarters of the business were at Athens. Lawrence A. Sackett was associated in the establishment with his father. The company was incorporated in 1899, and since 1900 the home of the business has been in Columbus, while its trade relations cover practically the entire mining district of Ohio and adjoining states. The company has been an important factor in developing Columbus as one of the great wholesale and distributing centers of the Middle West. This company specializes in mining machinery, starting on that basis, but for a number of years it has been increasing its line of general electrical machinery and other electrical equipment, and these now constitute the largest source of this business.

Mr. Sackett is a member of the Optimist Club, and belongs to a number of social and civic organizations of his home city. He married Miss Albertino Briscoe, and their two children are Lawrence B. and Sarah Jane Sackett.

Hon. Allen C. McDonald has practiced law at Dayton for a quarter of a century, during which time he has won an enviable professional standing, representing a number of important interests, including the Dayton Building and Savings Association, of which he is secretary. He has also served several terms in the State Legislature, and is a recognized authority on the subject of taxation.

Mr. McDonald was born near Laura, Miami County, Ohio, November 29, 1869, son of William and Carrie (Burns) McDonald. His father is still living. His education in public schools was supplemented in Earlham College at Richmond, Indiana, following which he was appointed to a clerkship in one of the government departments at Washington. While there he carried on his law studies in Georgetown University, was graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1896, and the following years received the Master of Laws degree. He was admitted in 1897 to practice before the United States Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia. His work in the treasury department brought him the personal commendation of Secretary Gage, and as a result he was transferred to larger responsibilities in New York.

After coming to Dayton in 1899 Mr. McDonald took up the practice of law, and has steadily served an important clientage. The Dayton Building and Savings Association, of which he is secretary and attorney, is capitalized at $10,000,000. He is also attorney for the Brookville Building and Savings Association, attorney for the South Park Savings Bank, and secretary and attorney for the Huber Fire Proof Garage Company, and a director and attorney of the Montgomery Realty Company.

He was elected and served as a member of the Seventy-fifth and Seventy-sixth General assemblies of Ohio. At that time, and for many years since, he has been deeply interested in problems of taxation. In 1914 he was republican nominee for prosecuting attorney for Montgomery County, and in 1916 appeared in the race for lieutenant governor, but withdrew before the campaign was over. In 1922 he was again elected a member of the General Assembly, and served as vice chairman of the committee on taxation. He was a member and secretary of the Republican County Central Committee in 1907-08, and served as an alternate delegate at the National Republican Convention in 1908.

Mr. McDonald is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of many other fraternal societies.

On August 3, 1893, he married Miss Mary A. Murray, of Hagerstown, Indiana, daughter of Thomas and Mary Murray, both deceased. She was educated in the schools of Hagerstown and at New Castle, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald have one daughter, Mary Francis, who is the wife of John H. Sutton, associated with the Dayton Building and Savings Association.

James Norris Gamble, one of the founders of Cincinnati's great soap industry, was born in that city August 9, 1836, son of James and Elizabeth Ann (Norris) Gamble. He is a graduate of Kenyon College in Ohio, taking his Bachelor of Arts degree there in 1854, and his Master of Arts degree in 1857. He also pursued special work in chemistry at the University of Baltimore. This special knowledge he used as a member of the firm of Proctor & Gamble, manufacturers of soap, candles and oils. He was a member of this firm from 1862 to 1890, and since 1890 has been vice president of the Proctor & Gamble Company. He has also served as president of the Cincinnati & Westwood Railroad Company, was mayor of Westwood in 1895, and is a trustee of the Ohio Wesleyan University. He married Miss Margaret Penrose in April, 1862.

Nevin Otto Winter, Toledo attorney, author and traveler, is an authority on Northwest Ohio history, and is one of the advisory council of the present history of Ohio.

Mr. Winter was born at Benton, Ohio, June 14, 1869, son of Adam and Ella (Dunlap) Winter. His father was a merchant. Mr. Winter graduated Bachelor of Arts from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1891, took his law degree in Ohio State University in 1897, and since that year has been a member of the Toledo bar. Ohio Wesleyan awarded him the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters in 1916. He has been a trustee of the Toledo Public Library since 1916, and is a director and was one of the organizers of the Historical Society of Northwestern Ohio. Mr. Winter has been active in republican politics, having spent several weeks campaigning during the Harding campaign in 1920. He is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce.

Much of his time has been spent in travel. He has a gift for seeing things that most travelers pass unnoticed, and has been a prolific writer of books of travel and history. His principal works are: Mexico and Her People of Today, first published in 1907 and revised and republished in 1912, 1918 and 1923; Guatemala and Her People of Today, 1909; Brazil and Her People of Today, published in 1910 and revised in 1918; Argentina and Her People of Today, 1911; Chile and Her People of Today, 1912; The Russian Empire of Today and Yesterday, 1913; Poland of Today and Yesterday, 1913; Texas, the Marvelous, 1916; History of Northwest Ohio, 1917; Florida, the Land of Enchantment, 1918; The New Poland, 1923; Seeing Yellow, 1925. Mr. Winter traveled through Eastern Europe in 1919 as a special correspondent for Leslie's Weekly, the Christian Herald and a syndicate of newspapers, and in 1922 traveled through China and Japan for a newspaper syndicate. He has written many short and

special articles for such periodicals as World's Work, North American Review, Current History, Leslie's Weekly, Christian Herald, National Geographic Magazine, Travel Magazine, Overland Monthly and the Independent, and has also been a lecturer on travel subjects.

He is a member of the Pan-American Society of New York, American Society for Political and Social Science; is a Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Delta Phi, is an advisory member of the National Travel Club of New York, a member of the National Geographic Society, the Rotary Club and is a trustee of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church of Toledo.

Frank Warren Langdon, M. D., one of Ohio's foremost psychiatrists, was born in Cincinnati, in December, 1852, son of Oliver Cromwell and Jane Dorsey (Aydelott) Langdon. He graduated in medicine at the Miami Medical College in 1881, pursuing post-graduate studies in London and Paris. Since 1880 he has practiced at Cincinnati, his work for some years being limited to consultations in nervous and mental diseases. He has been consultant on the staff of various hospitals, is the meritorious professor of psychiatry at the College of Medicine in the University of Cincinnati, and attending specialist in neuro-psychiatry for the United States Veterans Bureau of District Seven. He is a member of the Royal Society of Medicine of England, honorary member of the Brooklyn Society of Neurology, member of the American Neurological Association, American Medico-Psychological Association, was in 1902-03, chairman of the section of nervous and mental diseases of the American Mental Association, served as president in 1907 of the Academy of Medicine in Cincinnati, as president in 1919-20, of the Neurological Society of Cincinnati, and is known in scientific circles for many contributions to the journals of medicine. In 1898 he wrote the book, "The Aphasias and Their Medical-Legal Relations."

Robert Webster Dingee, superintendent of the Pittsburgh Coal Company at Ashtabula, has been in the service of that corporation and its predecessor at Ashtabula since leaving the public schools when a boy.

Mr. Dingee was born at Kingsville, in Ashtabula County, July 7, 1876. The Dingee family is of Holland-Dutch ancestry, and was established in New York State in Colonial times. His grandfather, William Dingee, was born in New York, and during the '30s moves to Willoughby, Ohio, where he died in 1844. His wife was Lucy Alvord, a native of Willoughby, where she spent all her life. Obed J. Dingee, father of Robert W., was born at Willoughby in Lake County, December 23, 1842, was reared there, and as a young man went to Kingsville, Ashtabula County, and until 1880 was with the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway as station agent. On leaving the railway service he moved to Ashtabula and engaged in railroad construction work, and in 1883 went with the Youghiogheny River Coal Company, and continued with that corporation the rest of his life. However, some years before his death the Pittsburgh Coal Company succeeded to the Youghiogheny Coal Company's interests. His death occurred at Ashtabula January 10, 1910. He was a republican and a member of the Masonic fraternity. Obed J. Dingee married Agnes F. Fobes, who was born in Monroe Township of Ashtabula County, May 20, 1849, and died at Ashtabula December 9, 1909. They were the parents of five children: Myrta, who died when nine years old; Orin, who died at the age of six; and James, who died aged eight months; Robert W.; and Obed, who lives at Rochester, New York, and is sales engineer for the Spencer Turbine Company.

Robert Webster Dingee was four years of age when his parents moved to Ashtabula, where he began his education. His attendance in public school continued until he was fourteen years old, he having in the meantime, when only eleven years of age, begun to work as office boy for the Youghiogheny River Coal Company. His progressive responsibilities led up to the position of dock foreman, and in 1900, when the Pittsburgh Coal Company took over the Youghiogheny interests, he was made cashier of the local offices and since 1911 has been superintendent. The Pittsburgh Coal Company is the largest corporation in the United States producing and distributing soft coal. The local offices are in the New York Central Railroad Building on Columbus Street in Ashtabula Harbor. Mr. Dingee is a stockholder in the Pittsburgh Coal Company and also in the Marine National Bank of Ashtabula.

He is a man of congenial social qualities and is affiliated with Rising Sun Lodge No. 22, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Ashtabula, Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is a past exalted ruler, is past chancellor of Unity Lodge No. 133, Knights of Pythias, and past chief ranger of Court McKinley No. 3875, Independent Order of Foresters. He is a republican and a member of the First Presbyterian Church. During the World war Mr. Dingee was assistant chief of the American Protective League in the State of Ohio.

His home is at 98 Station Street in Ashtabula. He married in that city August 22, 1899, Miss Lula Dorman, daughter of Augusta T. and Mary (Root) Dorman, now residents of Pasadena, California, where her father is a dry goods merchant. Mr. Dingee lost his first wife by death May 16, 1906. On June 10, 1910, at Ashtabula, he married Miss Grace V. Johnson, daughter of John I. and Viola (Simms) Johnson, residents of Ashtabula, her father being a retired farmer. The second wife of Mr. Dingee died March 27, 1919 leaving one daughter, Roberta Kathryn. On April 23, 1920, Mr. Dingee married Mrs. Margaret (Ryan) Belnap, daughter of James and Katherine (Ryan) Ryan, her mother now deceased. Her father is a resident of Willoughby, Ohio, and connected with the Cleveland, Painesville and Ashtabula Railroad.

Burritt B. Seymour. One of the families early identified with the Western Reserve of Ohio in Ashtabula County is represented by Burritt B. Seymour, president of the National Bank of Ashtabula. Mr. Seymour entered the service of this bank when he was a young man, and has been with it forty years, except for the period he served as the first state superintendent of banks in Ohio.

Mr. Seymour was born at Plymouth, Ashtabula County, February 5, 1856. The Seymours came from England to Litchfield County, Connecticut, in Colonial times. Like many other of the first settlers of the Western Reserve the founder of the family in Ohio, Titus Seymour, was a native of that state, and in 1809 he established his home in a wilderness country near East Plymouth, where he developed a farm and where he lived out his life. Titus Seymour was the great-grandfather of the Ashtabula banker. His son, Bennett Seymour, was born in Connecticut, and was a child when the family came to Ohio. He followed farming as his vocation and died at Ashtabula in 1866.

Leverett Seymour, father of Burritt B., was born in East Plymouth, in 1830, was reared and married there, and subsequently moved to Monona, Iowa, where he engaged in farming until his death on March 16, 1866. Monona is in Clayton County, Iowa. He is a

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republican in politics, and an active supporter of the Episcopal Church. Leverett Seymour married Nancy Gillett, who was born at Sheffield, Ashtabula County, in 1835, and died at Ashtabula January 26, 1884. She was the mother of two children, Burritt B. and Mary E. Mary, who died at Ashtabula January 6, 1917, was the wife of George C. Hubbard, an Ashtabula manufacturer.

Burritt B. Seymour was a child when his parents moved out to Iowa, and he lived there until he was twelve years of age, attending the common schools in Clayton County. With his mother he then returned to Ashtabula County, and continued his schooling in Ashtabula, graduating from high school in 1874. For four years he was clerk in the Ashtabula Postoffice, and was employed at several other things until the year, 1882, when he became an employee of the Ashtabula National Bank. The Ashtabula National Bank had been established ten years earlier, in 1872. In 1897 it was reorganized, at which time the name was changed to the National Bank of Ashtabula. This is one of the sound financial institutions of northeastern Ohio, with capital stock of $200,000, surplus and profits of nearly $200,000, and deposits of over $2,000,000. The officers of the bank today are: B. B. Seymour, president; F. E. Crosby, vice president; H. R. Faulkner, cashier.

Mr. Seymour entered the bank as a minor clerk, but he possessed some of the qualifications that make a real banker and in a few years he was promoted to cashier. He continued as cashier after the reorganization of the bank in 1897. In 1908 he resigned his position in Ashtabula banking circles to accept the appointment tendered by Governor Andrew L. Harris to become the first superintendent of banks under the new state law creating that position. It devolved upon Mr. Seymour to organize the State Banking Department, and he remained in the office until 1910, having served a portion of his term under Governor Harmon. In 1910 he returned to the National Bank of Ashtabula, and has since been president of that institution. Mr. Seymour is also president and treasurer of the Ashtabula Water Supply Company, is a director and treasurer of the Ashtabula Telephone Company, and vice president of the Ashtabula Hide and Leather Company.

His has been a business career without diversion in politics beyond exerting a helpful influence in community affairs. He is a republican voter, is a vestryman of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, is a member of the Lake Shore Country Club, and is a trustee of Lake Erie College at Painesville. During the World war he acted as treasurer of the Ashtabula County Chapter of the Red Cross, and gave his assistance to all the patriotic drives made during that period.

Mr. Seymour lives in a country home adjoining Ashtabula, having sixteen acres of land in his homestead. He married at Painesville, Ohio, February 11, 1890, Miss Mary H. Greer, daughter of William F. and Cornelia (Huntington) Greer, now deceased. Her father was a farmer and for a time was secretary of the Ohio State Board of Agriculture. Mrs. Seymour finished her education in the Lake Erie College at Painesville. She died at Ashtabula July 22, 1906.

Mr. Seymour's only child is Eleanor P., who graduated from the National Cathedral School at Washington, District of Columbia. She is now the wife of Holland A. Hubbard, a resident of Toledo, where he is engaged in the real estate business.

WINFIELD SCOTT SLOCUM, one of the younger members of the Ohio bar, now practicing at Painesville, is an ex-service man.

He was born at Newtonville, Massachusetts, January 8, 1891. His father also bore the name of Winfield Scott Slocum, was one of the prominent attorneys of Massachusetts for many years. Born at Grafton, that state, May 1, 1848, he graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Amherst College in 1869, being a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon college fraternity. Studying law in his father's office, he practiced for a time at Worcester, Massachusetts, then at Boston, and for many years made his home at Newtonville, where he died in January, 1915. He held the office of city solicitor of Newtonville for a longer period than any other incumbent of that office. He was also a member of the State Legislature a number of terms, was a republican, served as moderator of the Congregational Church and was a member of the Masonic fraternity. His wife, Ann Pulsifer, was born at Newtonville in 1850, and died there in 1899.

The Painesville attorney, Winfield S. Slocum, represents the third successive generation in the family in the profession of law. He was educated in the public schools of his native city, graduating from high school in 1909, and in 1913 he graduated also with the Bachelor of Arts degree from his father's alma mater, Amherst College. He was likewise made a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity at Amherst. In 1916 he graduated Bachelor of Laws from the Harvard Law School, and from the fall of 1916 until December, 1917, engaged in practice at Boston.

In May, 1917, he enlisted for duty in the field artillery of the Massachusetts National Guard, and on January 12, 1918, was sent to Columbus, Ohio, to the School of Military Aeronautics. Later he was transferred to Texas, then to the Wilbur Wright Field at Dayton, Ohio, and finally to Camp Jackson in South Carolina. He received his honorable discharge January 4, 1919. He had been commissioned a second lieutenant in the air service March 23, 1918, and is now second lieutenant, Aviation Service, Officers' Reserve Corps.

After leaving the army he was temporarily engaged in the insurance business, first in Boston and then in Akron, Ohio, and in January, 1920, resumed his law practice, associated with the well-known Akron firm of Sieber, Sieber & Amer. Mr. Slocum came to Painesville, February 8, 1921, and became an associate of the law firm of Alvord & Blakely.

He is a former president of the Painesville, Athletic Club, is a member of the Painesville Kiwanis Club, the Lake County Bar Association, the Congregational Church and in politics is a republican. He married at Columbus, Ohio, March 23, 1918, the same day that he received his commission in the army, Grace Lienhard. She was born at Bellevue, Ohio. They have one son, Winfield Scott III., born February 20, 1920.

AUSTIN S. MCKITRICK, M. D. One of the well known members of the medical profession of Hardin County, Dr. Austin S. McKitrick, of Kenton, is the founder of the hospital which bears his name, and a surgeon of much more than local reputation. He has been engaged in the practice of his calling for a period of thirty-six years, during which time he has gained the confidence and esteem of a large following and the respect of his fellow-practitioners.

Doctor McKitrick was born at Plain City, Union County, Ohio, October 8, 1863, and is a son of Harry S. and Harriet C. (Hemenway) McKitrick, the former a native of Licking County, and the latter of Vermont. The parents were well educated in the schools of Ohio, and passed their lives on a farm in Union County, where both died. Austin S. McKitrick was reared on the home farm, and attended the district schools of Union County, but had no inclination for an agricultural career, preferring one of the professions. However, at that time the family finances were low and means were not at hand for him to continue his education. This did not deter

him, and by teaching school he earned enough to take him through the Ohio Normal University and later through the Cincinnati Medical College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1888. He also received a like degree from Western Reserve College at Cleveland in 1902. He has continued to be a student of his calling, and in 1914 went to Europe and studied in some of the leading universities of Berlin, Paris and Vienna, specializing in surgery. Following his graduation in 1888 Doctor McKitrick began practice, and for a number of years was a general practitioner. His predilection, however, was for surgery, and gradually he began to give more and more of his attention to this branch of his calling. He has been identified with Antonia Hospital at Kenton since its organization, and in 1918 founded his present institution, McKitrick Hospital, of which he has since been proprietor and chief surgeon. He now limits his practice entirely to surgery, and is local surgeon for the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad and the Big Four Railroad. He keeps fully abreast with the advancements being made in surgery, and is a member of the Hardin County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the Mississippi Valley Medical Society and the American Medical Association and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. As a fraternalist he holds membership in the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his religious connection is with the Church of Christ.

Doctor McKitrick married Miss May Donaldson, of Greenwich, Huron County, Ohio, who graduated from Ohio Northern University at Ada with the degree of Bachelor of Science in the same class with her husband. To this union there have been born two children: Donald K., a graduate of Kenton High School and a student of the Ohio State University; and Austa, a graduate of high school and Oberlin College, degree of Master of Arts, and now the wife of Dr. W. A. McIntosh, a prominent physician of Oberlin, Ohio.

Robert H. Nimmons, president of the Peoples National Bank of Plymouth, Richland County, was born in Dekalb County, Indiana, December 16, 1855, and ten years later the family home was established on a farm near Plymouth, Ohio, where he was reared to adult age, his educational advantages having been those of the public schools of Richland County. The old homestead farm, south of Plymouth, still remains in the possession of the family. Mahlon Nimmons, father of the subject of this review, was born in this county, a son of Samuel Nimmons, who here settled in an early day and who developed the farm of which mention is made above.

Robert H. Nimmons continued his alliance with the industrial activities of the home farm until 1886, where he established himself in the hardware business at Plymouth. With his nephew, S. E. Nimmons, as a partner, Mr. Nimmons continued the enterprise under the firm name of Nimmons & Nimmons for a period of twenty-three years, and the old and well ordered business is now continued under the effective control of his son, Fred M. Mr. Nimmons has been one of the progressive business men and liberal citizens of Plymouth for a long term of years, and in addition to his business interests in this thriving little city he is the owner of three valuable farms in Richland County. He is a stalwart advocate of the principles of the republican party, and has been influential in its local councils and campaign activities as a member of its executive committee in Richland County. Mr. Nimmons married Miss Maggie Upp, of Huron County, and they have two children: Fred M., who is engaged in the hardware business at Plymouth, as successor of his father in this line of enterprise, and Mayme, who is the wife of S. C. McDonough, of Cleveland, this state.

The Peoples National Bank of Plymouth was incorporated November 16, 1903, and initiated business on the 2d of the following January, with a capital stock of $25,000. In 1908 the institution absorbed the old First National Bank of Plymouth, and its capital stock has since been $50,000. Its surplus fund is of equal amount to its capital stock, and its deposits, as shown in its official statement of April 3, 1923, are $468,524.19. H. J. Wilmot was the first president of the Peoples National Bank and Mr. Nimmons was made vice president at the time of incorporation. Upon the retirement of Mr. Wilmot, Mr. Nimmons succeeded to the presidency of the institution, the other officers of which are as here noted: John I. Beelman, vice president; J. E. Nimmons, cashier, and C. M. Lofland, assistant cashier.

Philip E. Ward. His first choice of a career made Philip E. Ward an educator, and he has been identified with that profession more or less through a period of thirty years. However, at times he has given his attention to commercial affairs, but is now back at his first love, and is a very capable and highly esteemed superintendent of city schools of Chardon.

Mr. Ward was born at Willoughby, in Lake County, Ohio, October 13, 1873. His great-grandfather, Elijah J. Ward, came from Vermont to Northern Ohio and was one of the very earliest preachers and circuit riders of the Methodist Church in the Western Reserve. His son, Ethan Allen Ward, became a farmer in Lake County, and died at Willoughby. His wife, Lucy Carroll, also died there. Further back the Wards were a family that came from England to America in Colonial times, and Professor Ward has Revolutionary ancestors.

Joseph A. Ward, father of Philip E., was born at Willoughby, January 20, 1848, and from birth he lived on and during his active career cultivated the old homestead farm, remaining there until 1910, when he sold the land to the Andrews Institute for Girls. However, he still retains the residence, which has been remodeled into a very comfortable modern home. He has been retired since 1910. He is a republican and a member of the Methodist Church. The wife of Joseph A. Ward was Cornelia Ferguson, who was born at Willoughby, August 16, 1853. Of their four children the oldest and only son is Philip E. Anna died when twenty-two years of age. Ethel G. is now head of the English department in the West High School of Commerce at Cleveland. Lucy F., the youngest, has made successful use of her business talents in New York City, where she is member of the firm Ward & Rome, interior decorators.

Philip E. Ward was reared at the old home near Willoughby, attending public schools there, and graduating from high school in 1892. Subsequently he pursued his college education in Ohio State University at Columbus, and graduated Bachelor of Philosophy there in 1899. At Ohio State he became a Kappa Sigma. In the meantime for three years he had taught school at Kirtland, Ohio, and after graduating he returned, in 1899, and was principal of schools there for two years. Beginning in 1901 he was principal of the high school at Willoughby one year, and three years superintendent of schools at Mentor. About that time he was diverted into business, having bought a store at Willoughby and continued a merchant there until 1908, when he sold out and went to the Northwest. At Wenatchee, Washington, he bought some orchard property, and also engaged in the real estate business, and was there seven years, part of the time

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being a teacher in the high school. On returning to Ohio in 1915 he was a teacher of the public schools of Cleveland two years, and soon after America entered the World war he taught foreign service with the Young Men's Christian Association. He landed at Liverpool and then at La Havre, France, in August, 1918, and was on duty at Bazoilles-sur-LeMeuse, then at Lerouville and finally Romagne, France. Romagne is the location of a large plot of land dedicated for cemetery purposes to the American Army. One feature of his Young Men's Christian Association war work was the organization of schools for 700 illiterate negroes. Leaving France, Mr. Ward arrived in New York City July 1, 1919, and for a year was connected with the educational department of the Young Men's Christian Association at Cleveland. He has been superintendent of schools at Chardon since 1920. The city schools of Chardon have an enrollment of 500 scholars, a staff of seventeen teachers, and there are two school buildings.

Mr. Ward is a republican in politics. He was quite active in the party while in Washington, and in 1916 was a delegate to the National Convention at Chicago, and served as secretary of the Washington State Delegation. He was president of the Board of Trustees of the Congregational Church at Wenatchee, Washington, and fraternally is affiliated with Chardon Lodge No. 93, Free and Accepted Masons, is now in his second year as high priest of Chardon Chapter No. 106, Royal Arch Masons, is a member of Eagle Commandery No. 29, Knights Templar, at Painesville, Chardon Lodge No. 731, Knights of Pythias, and belongs to the Kiwanis Club of Chardon. Mr. Ward is a member of the Ohio State Teachers' Association, Northeastern Ohio Teachers' Association and is a former member of the Cleveland Schoolmasters Club. Mr. Ward has some valuable property interests, including one of the most attractive homes at Chardon, at 130 South Street, and he also owns a farm of eighty acres in Geauga County and some orchard property in the State of Washington.

On July 12, 1901, at Chardon, he married Miss Grace Cowles, daughter of L. Converse and Martha (Fox) Cowles, her mother a resident of Chardon. Her father, who died there, was a farmer and for a number of years a dealer in agricultural implements. Mr. and Mrs. Ward have one daughter, Martha Cornelia, now a senior in the Chardon High School.

Harvey E. Smith, of Marietta, is an interesting example of a business man who enjoys the pursuit of his work for the results accomplished equally as well as the financial rewards of his efforts. Not only in Southeastern Ohio, where he was born and reared, but in many states, particularly those states in districts where petroleum is produced, the name of Harvey E. Smith is widely known in connection with Smith and Dunn and other organizations for oil production. His interests extend into Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Texas and Old Mexico.

It was in Morgan County, at Chesterhill, that he was born, May 27, 1863, son of Humphrey and Susanna (Lewis) Smith. Both Mr. Smith's parents were of Quaker parentage, and all their lives were faithful adherents to the teachings of that church. Susanna Lewis was born in 1832 and died in 1891, being the daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Moore) Lewis, of Harrison, County, Ohio. Humphrey Smith was born in 1829, and died in 1912, being a native of Belmont County, Ohio. His people as Quakers were active in the so-called underground railway, by which many fugitive slaves from the South were assisted toward freedom. His career was that of a farmer, merchant and drover, and he took many droves of stock over the old National Road to market. He also had some part in the early oil development in Ohio. He was a republican in politics. Humphrey Smith and wife had six children, the four now living being: Howard L., a farmer at Stockport in Morgan County; Albert P., a farmer at Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania; Harvey E., and Edith V., wife of F. D. Fleming, who is now located at Muncie, Indiana. The oldest son of the family, Frank L., born in 1855, and died in 1915, was for a long time a merchant at Chesterhill, but was employed by the Marietta Safe Cabinet Company at the time of his death. The other deceased son was the late C. C. Smith, who was principal of the School of Mines at Socorro, New Mexico.

Harvey E. Smith when a boy of fourteen made a trip with his father driving cattle over the roads to the eastern markets, and quite recently in his car drove over the same road and recognized many of the old stopping places by the wayside. He acquired his early education in Chesterhill School, and spent three years in the Ohio State University. His experiences as a youth were those of a country merchant's son, often moving between the fields of the farm and the counter of his father's store. When he was seventeen he began teaching, first in country and village schools, and later for eight years in the Marietta High School, where he was principal. Altogether he gave twelve years to educational work.

Since that time his energies have been fully bestowed upon oil development. There was an oil well on the old Joy farm near Chesterhill, and another on the east bank of the Ohio River, forty miles to the east. He and J. A. Lovell as an associate began developing the district lying between these points. It was their opinion that a continuous strata containing oil lay between these places, and drilling has proved their judgment was correct; similar results have come in subsequent experimental work on the part of Mr. Smith and his associates in Oklahoma and other fields. Again and again he has been attracted in his development work to localities where farms were poor, the people making a bare living, but after the country has been opened up by the drill and oil found, he has seen prosperity and plenty take the place of unrewarded labor and poverty. To be a part in this work seems to be a real pleasure in Mr. Smith's life.

About 1912 he became associated with I. L. and O. C. Dunn in developing a method of increasing the production of oil by restoring the rock pressure within the sand which acts as a reservoir for the oil. This was done by pumping air into the sand through the casing or tubing of a non-pumping well, into the oil bearing sand, thus introducing an expansive and expelling force into what was before an inert or balanced condition, thus causing a flow of the oil along lines of least resistance, which would be toward the wells producing that have been drilled on the property.

This method is now used by many operators for increasing production, and will reclaim millions of barrels of oil that otherwise never would have been marketed.

He has been a practical hard-headed business man where the technical problems of oil production are concerned, and he and his associates are operating many old producing properties, using the latest methods of pressure regulations and automatic air pumps, many of the devices being their own invention.

Mr. Smith is president of the Marietta Chamber of Commerce and Washington County Automobile Association, and these organizations under his leadership have been responsible for the construction of improved roads in Southeastern Ohio. This activity has been of great benefit in the development of Washington County's natural resources. He was a mem-

ber of the Seventy-sixth Assembly of Ohio Legislature in 1905-06, serving on the committee of mines and mining. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has been a teacher in the Sunday School and a superintendent; is a Mason of high standing; a member of the Rotary Club, and for twenty-four years has attended all republican national conventions, having been a delegate from the Fifteenth District to the convention in 1916. He is a trustee of the Ohio State Good Roads Federation, and is one of the directors of the Peoples Banking and Trust Company of Marietta, the Ohio Valley Refining Company of St. Marys, West Virginia, the Omar Gasoline Company of Wichita Falls, Texas, and other oil companies.

During the World war period Mr. Smith was identified with all organizations for patriotic purposes, giving liberally of his money and also his time and strength. Mr. Smith, together with the late D. B. Torpy, secured, on the request of Hon. Chas. G. Dawes (now Brigadier-General Dawes), the enlistment of forty young men of Marietta for the Seventeenth Regiment of Engineers, of which regiment Mr. Dawes was colonel. They were sworn into the army at the office of Smith and Dunn in Marietta in the presence of Mr. Dawes, who had come down from Chicago to meet them. It was as a result of the personal efforts and the money supplied by Mr. Smith and the Dunn Brothers that a very interesting war memorial was arranged and put in place at Marietta, comprising a collection of photographs of every young soldier of Washington County who died for the cause. These photographs are in a large frame, hung in the lobby of the Washington County Court House.

Mr. Smith first married Eva L. Barnes, of Chesterhill, and to this union was born a son, Edward Orton, who is now in the real estate business in Pontiac, Michigan. Two years after the death of his first wife he married Ella Curry, of Chesterhill, with whom he lived thirty years, but she passed to the beyond in 1919, and in 1922 he married Mrs. Coosie Rogers Dye, formerly of Ellenboro, West Virginia. In winter they make their home in Marietta, but in summer on a farm along the Ohio River, three miles above Marietta, and at either place their friends are always welcome.

Edward N. Dietrich. Scholastic and executive ability, professional enthusiasm and loyalty, and progressive policies are marking the administration of Edward Noble Dietrich in the office of superintendent of the public schools of Geneva, Ashtabula County. He assumed this position in the year 1922, and has done splendid service in coordinating the work and advancing the standard of the schools under his jurisdiction. This thriving little city has two well equipped school buildings, retains a corps of twenty-five teachers, and the enrollment of pupils totals 850.

Mr. Dietrich was born at Piketon, Pike County, Ohio, June 4, 1887, and there his parents, Henry C. and Mary Janet (Craig) Dietrich, still maintain their home, the former having been born in Pike County, June 21, 1852, and the latter having been born on the 24th of November of the same year, at Bear Creek, Scioto County, this state. The subject of this review is a scion of the fourth generation of the Dietrich family in Ohio. His paternal grandfather, George Washington Dietrich, was born in Pennsylvania, in 1830, a son of Henry Dietrich, who likewise was a native of the old Keystone State, whence he brought his family to Ohio and became a pioneer farmer in Pike County, where he developed a large farm property and where he and his wife passed the remainder of their lives, as did also their son George W., whose death there occurred on his farm in Camp Creek Township in the year 1893, his wife, whose maiden name was Sarah Reed, having likewise died in that county. The original American representatives of the Dietrich family came from Alsace, France, to this country prior to the War of the Revolution, and were numbered among the early Colonial settlers in Pennsylvania.

Henry C. Dietrich was born on the old homestead farm in Camp Creek Township, and supplemented the discipline of the common schools by attending college at Lebanon. He continued his association with farm industry in Pike County until 1883, when he established his residence at Piketon, where he continued as a leading merchant for a period of thirty-five years, and where he is now living retired, in the enjoyment of the rewards of former years of earnest and worthy endeavor, and secure in the high esteem of all who know him. He has been an active worker in the ranks of the democratic party, has served as village clerk and treasurer of Piketon, and was for twenty years a member of the Board of Education. He and his wife are devout members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he has been for the past forty years a member of its Official Board. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias. Of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Dietrich the eldest is George C., who is (1923) superintendent of the public schools of the City of Piqua, Ohio; H. Claude is superintendent of the public schools in the City of Bexley; Rev. William Wallace Dietrich is pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church in the City of Alliance, Stark County, and Edward N., of this review, is the youngest of the number.

In the high school at Piketon Edward N. Dietrich was graduated as a member of the class of 1905, and thereafter he taught two years in the schools of his native county. In 1911 he was graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University, at Delaware, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and in 1916 he was graduated from the University of Ohio, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science. Before this publication is issued from the press he will have completed a post-graduate course in this university, with the degree of Master of Arts to be conferred upon him in June, 1924. He is affiliated with the Delta Tau Delta college fraternity.

After his graduation from Ohio Wesleyan University Mr. Dietrich gave two years of service as an instructor in science in the high school at Chillicothe. During one year thereafter he was principal of the public schools at New Holland, and the following year was marked by his service as principal of the schools at Lockland. He was next advanced to the position of county superintendent of schools in Pike County, an office which he retained three years. Thereafter he was instructor in history in the East High School in the capital city of Columbus until 1922, when he assumed his present position, that of superintendent of the public schools of Geneva.

He holds membership in the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the National Educational Association, is affiliated with Orient Lodge No. 323, Free and Accepted Masons, at Waverly, Pike County, and he and his wife are zealous members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Geneva, in which he is serving as steward. He has a pleasant residence and home at 82 West Main Street, this property being owned by him.

November 1, 1913, recorded the marriage of Mr. Dietrich and Miss Mabel Argabright, daughter of James P. and Mary Ann (Litter) Argabright, who reside at Chillicothe, this state, where Mr. Argabright is foreman in the Meade Paper Mills. Mr. and Mrs. Dietrich have two children, Donald James, born November 8, 1914, and John Gordon, born December 10, 1919.

W. V. Lafferty. Allan Lafferty.

Carl R. Kimball is cashier of the Exchange Bank in his native village of Madison, Lake County, is here a member of the firm of Kimball Brothers & Company, engaged in the retail hardware and implement business, and he has had the distinction of representing his native county in the State Legislature, besides having been chosen speaker of the House of Representatives in his third term in the Legislature.

Mr. Kimball was born at Madison, on the 3d of July, 1876, and is a son of Lemuel H. Kimball, who passed his entire life in this fine old town of Madison, where he was born in 1833 and where his death occurred in 1910. Lemuel H. Kimball was one of the extensive farmers of Madison Township, and was a citizen of distinctive prominence and influence in his native county. He and A. S. Stratton were numbered among the founders of the Exchange Bank of Madison, he having been its first president and having continued the incumbent of this executive office until his death. He was a stalwart in the local ranks of the republican party, and while he had no ambition for political preferment, his civic loyalty was shown in his effective service in various township offices. He and his wife were zealous and influential members of the Central Congregational Church of Madison. Mrs. Kimball, whose maiden name was Caroline Nash, was born at Hinsdale, Massachusetts, in 1841, and she passed to the life eternal in 1908. Of the children the first born, Homer Nash, died at the age of thirty-seven years, he having served as superintendent of the village schools of Madison and as representative of Lake County in the Ohio Legislature, and having been a director of the Exchange Bank of Madison at the time of his death; Abel is a member of the Madison hardware firm of Kimball Brothers & Company; Carl R., immediate subject of this review, was the next in order of birth of the sons, his elder sister, Helen K., being the wife of James P. Smead, a retired merchant and manufacturer at Madison, and the younger sister, Elizabeth S., being the efficient and popular bookkeeper in the Exchange Bank of Madison.

The public schools of Madison afforded Carl R. Kimball his early education, and he was graduated from the high schools as a member of the class of 1894. In 1896 he was graduated from Oberlin Academy, at Oberlin, and he then entered Oberlin College, in which fine old Ohio institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1900 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Thereafter he was for one year actively associated with the work and management of his father's fine farm, and he next diversified his practical experience by being employed six months in a steel mill at Youngstown. In February, 1902, he engaged with his brother in the hardware business at Madison, and he is still identified with this flourishing enterprise, his active connection with which was measurably resigned in February, 1921, when he assumed his present executive position, that of cashier of the Exchange Bank. This substantial and well-ordered banking institution initiated business in the year 1875, and its history has been one of conservative management and consecutive growth. Its operations are based on a capital stock of $25,000, it has a surplus fund of $75,000, and its deposits at the close of the year 1923 are in excess of $800,000. A. S. Stratton, one of the organizers of the bank, is now its president; J. V. Winans is its vice president; and its chief executive officer is its cashier, Carl R. Kimball, the directorate including these three officers and also D. D. Smead and H. M. Rand.

Mr. Kimball is unfaltering in his advocacy of the principles of the republican party, and has been prominent in its local councils and campaign work in his native county. He served two terms as a member of the Village Council of Madison, has given loyal service likewise as a member of the Board of Education at Madison, of which he was clerk two terms, besides which he gave fifteen years of service as clerk of the Board of Education of Madison Township. He held for a number of terms also the position of township clerk. He represented Lake County in the Eighty-first and Eighty-second General Assemblies of the Ohio Legislature, in which he made a record of constructive service. In the Eighty-first Assembly he was chairman of the public-utilities committee of the Lower House, and was assigned to other important committees. The popular estimate placed upon his service was shown in his reelection to the Eighty-second and Eighty-third Assemblies, and in the latter of these he had the distinction of being chosen speaker of the House of Representatives. Mr. Kimball was specially active and influential in the promoting of wise legislation for the benefit of the farmers of the state, in advancing the interests of public utilities, and also in supporting measures tending to advance general banking and business interests. He supported in the Legislature the movement which resulted in the state's endorsement of the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Amendments to the constitution of the United States, and as speaker of the House he affixed his signature to the document ratifying these amendments.

Mr. Kimball and his wife are active members of the Central Congregational Church at Madison, which he is serving as a deacon. He is a valued member of the Madison Chamber of Commerce, and in his home village he is affiliated with Madison Lodge No. 307, Free and Accepted Masons; Madison Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Madison Tent, Knights of the Maccabees, and Globe Lodge, Knights of Pythias. His residence place, on West Main Street, is owned by him and is one of the finest home properties in Madison. He owns also 120 acres of the ancestral homestead farm, within the corporate limits of Madison, on West Main Street, and he has other valuable real estate holdings in his native county.

At Saugatuck, Michigan, on the 30th of July, 1903, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Kimball and Miss Ethel Felice Sutton, daughter of Warner P. and Lois (Andrus) Sutton, the former of whom is deceased, and the latter of whom is now a member of the family circle at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kimball. Mr. Sutton was a lawyer of exceptional ability, and was a prominent member of the bar in the City of Washington, District of Columbia. Mrs. Kimball attended the Oberlin Conservatory of Music and is a talented pianist. Mr. and Mrs. Kimball have two children: Warner H. is (1923) a student in Western Reserve University, at Cleveland, and Caroline is a student in the Madison High School.

The Kimball family, of sterling English origin, was founded in Massachusetts in the Colonial period of our national history. Gen. Abel Kimball, grandfather of the subject of this review, was born in Greenfield, Massachusetts, in 1801, a son of Lemuel Kimball, and he was about eleven years of age when the family came to Ohio, in 1812, and settled on the farm in Madison, the present fine home of Carl R. Kimball being on a part of this pioneer homestead. Gen. Abel Kimball became one of the extensive and successful representatives of farm industry in Lake County, served as a general in the Ohio Militia in the early days, and was one of the honored and venerable pioneer citizens of Madison at the time of his death, in 1884. His wife, whose maiden name was Philena Hastings, likewise was a native of Massachusetts, and she likewise attained to advanced age.

Latour D. Lafferty. On March 1, 1924, Latour D. Lafferty dedicated what has been pronounced to be the finest equipped undertaking establishment in Southern Ohio. This business is in West Union, and

its present proprietor continues a service in that community which was begun by his grandfather and was continued also by his father.

Mr. Lafferty was born at West Union, September 20, 1889, and is a great-grandson of Absalom Lafferty, a native of France who came to America and first settled in Connellsville, Pennsylvania, and prior to 1820 established a home at West Union, Ohio, being one of the thirty pioneers of this section of Southern Ohio. Absalom Lafferty, who died July 13, 1848, married Margaret or Peggy McDade, who came from England and died in 1859.

Their son, William V. Lafferty, born May 12, 1830, had as his home throughout his life from birth until death one house in West Union. He died there June 26, 1922. He was a pioneer undertaker. He married in 1856 Margaret Marlatt, and she still lives at West Union.

Theodore H. Lafferty, father of Latour D., was born March 21, 1862, and died May 14, 1914. He married Cora Belle Shelton, who was born September 11, 1861, and died January 31, 1911, a daughter of Robert and Nancy A. (Truit) Shelton.

Latour D. Lafferty graduated from the West Union High School in 1908, and for several years lived on and employed his energies on a farm. He prepared for his professional career in the Cincinnati College of Embalming, where he was graduated in 1914. His father died in that year, and, returning to West Union, he engaged in business with his grandfather and since has become sole owner and manager of the Lafferty Funeral Home, the oldest in the state. This home contains all the features most appreciated in such a service, including reception room, chapel for about 200 people, choir room, access to which is provided without disturbing the service proper, embalming room and morgue, stockroom, and the equipment is completely motorized, including Winton hearse and modern ambulance.

Mr. Lafferty is a member of the Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association of Ohio, and is affiliated with the Masonic Order, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Modern Woodmen of America and the Independent Order of Red Men. He is a democrat and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

He married Miss Mabel Purdin, of West Union, daughter of Wallie and Mary (Thompson) Purdin, farmers of Adams County. They have three children, Cora Belle, William and Allan.

Wade H. Ellis, lawyer, editor, and public official, was born at Covington, Kentucky, December 31, 1866. He was educated in Cincinnati, took his law degree at Washington and Lee University in 1889, and was admitted to the bar in 1890. He served as editor of the Cincinnati Tribune, and of the Commercial Tribune, was assistant corporation counsel of Cincinnati from 1897 to 1903, and from 1904 to 1908 was attorney general of Ohio. On November 6, 1908, he became assistant to the attorney general of the United States, holding that office until February, 1910. For some years he has practiced law in the City of Washington. Besides his public service, he has contributed to legal literature, being especially known for the Ellis Annotated Ohio Municipal Code.

Sylvester Spidel, who is successfully established in business as a plastering contractor in the City of Dayton, and who is now representing his native county of Montgomery as a member of the Ohio Legislature, was born at Liberty, Montgomery County, on the 27th of October, 1872, and is a son of the late Samuel and Margaret (Barron) Spidel, both of whom died at Dayton, where the father had been a leading plastering contractor.

Sylvester Spidel gained his early education in the public schools at Liberty, and thereafter took courses in bookkeeping and chemistry in the excellent school conducted by the Dayton Young Men's Christian Association. At the age of eighteen years he became associated with his father in the business of plastering contracting, and of this line of constructive enterprise he has since continued to be actively identified, he being now one of the leading contractors in his field of activity in Dayton.

Mr. Spidel has been a specially loyal and active worker in the ranks of the republican party, and he served three terms as a member of the Republican Central Committee of Montgomery County, as representative from the Sixth Ward of Dayton. Thereafter he gave two terms of characteristically effective service as county assessor, and in 1918 he was elected representative of his native county in the Lower House of the Ohio Legislature. In the ensuing session he was assigned to the committees on cities, manufacturing and commerce, public highways, and fish and game. He was a zealous worker in behalf of constructive legislation, and the popular estimate placed upon his service was significantly shown in his reelection in 1920. In the next General Assembly he served as a member of the house committees here designated: Fish and game, privileges and elections, and cities. The election of 1922 returned him to the Legislature for a third consecutive term, and he was made chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, as well as a member of the committees on fish and game, and public parks and land. Mr. Spidel was largely instrumental in effecting the passage of the bill reducing the number of members of the Dayton Board of Education. He also effectively championed the bill to expedite election returns by preventing certain districts from withholding returns for varying periods, as had been frequently done. Another act that received his resourceful support was that for the improving of the workhouse conditions throughout the state. He introduced a bill to consolidate the holding of primary elections, and this bill would have saved to the state about $700,000 annually had it come to enactment. He obtained the passage of a bill providing for the leasing of state canal lands to cities, but this act was vetoed by the governor. Mr. Spidel appears as a candidate for reelection in 1924, and will doubtless be again victorious at the polls ere this publication is issued from the press.

Mr. Spidel is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Junior Order American Mechanics, and the Loyal Order of Moose, and is a member of the Dayton Builders' Exchange and the Dayton Automobile Club. He and his wife hold membership in the Reformed Church in their home city.

Mr. Spidel wedded Miss Ida M. Detrick, daughter of the late John and Mary Detrick, of Dayton, and she is a popular factor in the social life of her home community. Mrs. Spidel is an active member of the Woman's Republican Club of Dayton and is affiliated with the Pythian Sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Spidel have two children: Jeanette Elizabeth, a graduate of the Stivers High School in Dayton, is the wife of Edwin A. Johnson, a mechanical engineer, and they reside in Dayton, where their marriage was solemnized in June, 1922; Robert S. likewise was graduated from the Stivers High School, as was he also from the Jacobs Business College, and he is now associated with his father in business.

Hon. Edward E. Burkhart. Honors and responsibilities of an unusual nature have been conferred upon Edward E. Burkhart in his capacity of a lawyer,

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and also as a citizen of one of Ohio's largest municipalities, Dayton, of which he has served as mayor, and which has been his home for about thirty years.

Mr. Burkhart was born at Sidney, Ohio, October 27, 1872. After graduating from high school there he moved to Dayton, in 1890, completed a course in the Miami Commercial College, and began the study of law in the offices of Gottschall and Brown. His studies were interrupted for a few years, during which time he was associated with a manufacturing company. In 1895, returning to Dayton, he resumed the study of law with R. D. Marshall, then general attorney for the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railway. Mr. Burkhart in 1896 entered the law department of the University of Michigan, graduated in the class of 1898, and immediately engaged in private practice at Dayton. He has had several partnership relations with prominent attorneys of the Dayton bar, and is now senior member of the firm of Burkhart, Heald and Pickrel. Mayor Snyder of Dayton appointed Mr. Burkhart in 1903 a member of the Board of Health, and he was on the board until it was abolished.

The most gratifying honor that has come to him in a public way was his election, in 1907, as mayor of Dayton on the democratic ticket, and his reelection two years later by the largest majority ever given a candidate for the office of mayor in Dayton. After serving four years he refused to be a candidate for reelection, having the satisfaction of setting a high standard of municipal administration during his two terms.

Mr. Burkhart has had many associations with organizations of social and civic nature. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, the Young Men's Christian Association, and a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. He is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Pythias, and is identified with the Dayton City Club, Miami Valley Country Club, Dayton Bicycle Club, Comus, Mystic and other social organizations.

William Higby Cook, present county auditor of Ashtabula County, has had an active experience in politics, public affairs and business in Ohio covering a period of forty years. He is undoubtedly one of the best known men in Ashtabula County.

Mr. Cook represents an old Ohio family, but was born at Sodus in Berrien County, Michigan, January 9, 1860. His grandfather, Ephraim Cook, was a native of Connecticut, and was a pioneer in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, where he developed a farm. He died at Bedford in that county. His wife, Eliza Curtis, was also born in Connecticut, and she died at Ottawa, Kansas. Their son, George B. Cook, was born at Solon in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, in 1832, was reared in that county, and immediately after his marriage moved to Sodus, Michigan, where he developed a farm in the woods and was one of the factors in the improvement of that now rich fruit growing district of southwestern Michigan. After a period of residence in Michigan he returned to Ohio and engaged in farming in Ashtabula County. He died at New Lyme in April, 1913. He was a republican, and very attentive to his duties as a member of the Church of the Disciples. George B. Cook married Minerva Ives, who was born in Bedford, Cuyahoga County, in 1833, and died at New Lyme in 1915. She was the mother of six children, William H. being the oldest. Mary is the wife of Harry A. Warner, a retired farmer at New Lyme. Laura E. married George T. Day, a farmer at Orwell in Ashtabula County. George D. is a pattern maker living at Cleveland Heights. Kate C. married Charles C. Camp, a farmer at Williamsfield in Ashtabula County. Clayton I., the youngest in the family, is a farmer at Andover in Ashtabula County.

William Higby Cook was a child when the family returned to Ohio, and he began his education in the public schools of New Lyme. He also attended an old and famous preparatory school, the Grand River Institute at Austinburg, and in 1882 he graduated in a business course at the New Lyme Institute. When he was eighteen years of age he began teaching, and taught altogether in Ashtabula County for nine years. During vacations he worked on farms, and his first initiation into the duties of public office at the courthouse of Jefferson began when he was appointed deputy clerk of the Court of Common Pleas. He was appointed to that office in the fall of 1887 and served four years. In 1891 he was made chief deputy in the United States marshal's office at Cleveland, this office also taking four years of his time. On returning to Jefferson he served two years as deputy county treasurer of Ashtabula County, and following that until 1904 was cashier of the Orwell Banking Company at Orwell, Ashtabula County. In the latter year he returned to Jefferson as deputy county auditor, and was on duty in that capacity fifteen years. In April, 1919, he was appointed auditor, and in November, 1922, was elected for a full term of four years in that office, his term beginning the second Monday of March, 1923.

Mr. Cook has been ably identified with the republican party in Ashtabula County for many years. He was an elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Ashtabula, and fraternally is affiliated with Tuscan Lodge No. 342, Free and Accepted Masons, at Jefferson; Grand River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, at Rock Creek; Conneaut Council No. 40, Royal and Select Masters, at Conneaut; Columbian Commandery No. 52, Knights Templar, at Ashtabula, of which he is a past commander; and Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite and Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine in Cleveland. He also belongs to Emerald Chapter of the Eastern Star at Dodgeville, Ohio, and Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Ashtabula Grange and the Chamber of Commerce. His home is a very attractive residence at 564 Main Street, Bunker Hill, Ashtabula.

On July 13, 1886, at New Lyme, Mr. Cook married Miss Hattie M. Pellett, daughter of Seth H. and Martha (Snow) Pellett, both now deceased. Her father was a lumber manufacturer. Mr. Cook lost his first wife by death December 18, 1911. She was accidentally killed when a train struck a street car at Ashtabula. By this marriage there were four children: Karl, who died in infancy; Earl W., a machinist at Ashtabula; Vera, wife of Tyler F. Murphy, who is a representative of Armour & Company at San Francisco, California; and Lynn H., a bricklayer living at Ashtabula. On January 1, 1912, at Conneaut, Ohio, Mr. Cook married Mrs. Anna (Lane) Cook. She was born at Mendip-on-Leigh.

John H. Martin, M. D. A physician and surgeon for over thirty years, Doctor Martin has also been an interested worker in matters affecting the welfare of his community. His home is at New Matamoras, on the Ohio River, in Washington County. He is a fruit farmer in that section. His father was a physician, and his only son is one of the talented members of the profession, so that there have been three successive generations of the Martins to take up medicine.

Doctor Martin was born in Monroe County, Ohio, March 3, 1861, son of Dr. Francis P. and Adelina A. (Davis) Martin. His father, who was born in Monroe County, May 12, 1836, was educated in Barnesville Academy, and devoted about eight years

of his early life to teaching. While teaching he studied medicine, and practiced some years before completing his course at the Cincinnati Medical College, where he graduated in 1869. For forty consecutive years, beginning in 1862, he practiced medicine, finally retiring to his old home farm in Monroe County, where he died in 1917. He was a Master Mason and a democrat, and lived up to high and worthy standards of manhood. Mrs. Adeline A. (Davis) Martin is still living, and of their nine children six survive: John H.; Thaddeus, an oil refiner at Sand Springs, Oklahoma; Nimrod A., of New Matamoras; Luther R., deceased, of Gallia County, Ohio; Francis, who died in childhood; Lillian, who is married and living at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Matilda, of California, widow of Henry Stephens; Lucy, wife of Thomas Fleming, of Marietta, Ohio; and Adeline, who died in childhood.

Dr. John H. Martin acquired his early education in the public schools of New Matamoras. Like his father, he made his talent of use to the world in the capacity of a teacher. Altogether he taught fifteen years, being a high school teacher and four years school superintendent. In the meantime he attended and taught in summer normal schools, was reading medicine, and from 1891 to 1893 was at the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in the latter year. Since then he has been busy with an extensive general practice as physician and surgeon, and is a member of the County Medical Society, Ohio State and American Medical associations. During the World war he volunteered his services and was accepted in the Volunteer Medical Service Corps. Successful in his profession, he has proved a generous and public spirited man in his community. He circulated the petition and was largely instrumental in the success attending the laying out and establishment of the Phœnix Highway along the Ohio River. He has always been fond of a good horse, and is a man of unusually broad and liberal ideas. His chief hobby and also a source of profit is fruit growing. The Midway Fruit Farm which he owns overlooks the Ohio Valley for many miles. A part of the fruit farm is located on a high ridge which overlooks the Ohio River and marks the middle of a stretch of the Ohio River known as the long reach, and from this point the Ohio River is visible for twenty-two miles, said to be the longest stretch of river in the world visible from one point. On this point an immense oak tree was located, which was used by pilots to steer their course from the time the river was navigable, but several years ago was ruthlessly cut down. Near this large tree was undoubtedly located an Indian village or fort, as many specimens of Indian days are found at this point. He has served two terms as town clerk, nine years as township clerk and is a member of the Board of Education and a liberal democrat in politics.

Doctor Martin married, September 26, 1880, Miss Amelia V. Burgbacher, who was born at Woodsfield, Ohio, July 19, 1863. Mrs. Martin for many years has been devoted to good work in the cause of temperance, being county president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, vice president of the state organization, and has been instrumental in bringing many national speakers on temperance to this section of Ohio.

Doctor Martin's only son is Francis Eugene Martin, a high class physician and surgeon, who was educated in medicine and graduated in 1905 from the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore. He is now engaged in practice at New Martinsville, West Virginia. Dr. John H. Martin has twice been master of New Matamoras Lodge No. 374 of Masons, belongs to the Royal Arch and Council degree and also to the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

CHARLES LAWYER. One of the oldest attorneys of the Ashtabula County bar in point of years of continuous service is Mr. Charles Lawyer of Jefferson. He has found ample satisfaction in the success attending his professional career, and at the same time has been prominent in public affairs in his section of state, being a former state senator.

Mr. Lawyer was born at Penn Line, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, December 7, 1858. In ancestry he is a mixture of German, Welsh and Irish. His grandfather, John Lawyer, was born in Germany, and as a young man came to this country and settled at Jamestown, in Mercer County, Pennsylvania, where he spent the rest of his life as a farmer. His wife was of pure Welsh blood. Their son, Dr. Charles Lawyer, was born at Jamestown in Mercer County, Pennsylvania, was reared there, studied medicine, and soon after his marriage located at Penn Line in Crawford County, and in 1866 moved to Andover in Ashtabula County, Ohio, where he practiced his profession nearly forty years. He finally retired and moved to Jefferson, where he died in 1908. He was a republican, was affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and was a man of the highest order of usefulness in his home community. Charles Lawyer married Caroline Brown, whose grandfather came from Ireland. She was born in November, 1829, and died at Jefferson in December, 1921, at the venerable age of ninety-two. Doctor Lawyer and his wife had three children: Mary, of Jefferson, widow of Chauncey A. Marvin, who was a farmer; Charles; and Frank, a retired merchant at Leon in Ashtabula County.

Charles Lawyer was about eight years old when his parents moved to Ashtabula County. He attended public schools at Jefferson, and in his early years he taught school, altogether for twelve years. In 1881 he entered the law department of the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, and was graduated in 1883. He is a member of the Phi Alpha Greek letter fraternity. Admitted to the bar in June, 1883, he has had two score years of steady work in his profession at Jefferson. He has always engaged in general practice, and during the last quarter of a century has been counsel in nearly every important criminal case tried in Ashtabula County. His offices are on the Courthouse Square. From 1890 to 1896 he served as prosecuting attorney of the county.

On the republican ticket Mr. Lawyer was elected a member of the State Senate in 1906, and attended five sittings of the Legislature in the Seventy-seventh and Seventy-eighth Sessions and a special session in 1908. He gave a consistent service on the labor, finance, judiciary and other committees, and was especially interested in all legislation affecting labor. He was one of the five commissioners appointed by the governor to inspect prisons in various states, making a report to the Legislature containing recommendations for the building of a new state prison. Mr. Lawyer represented the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-sixth Districts in the Senate, comprising the counties of Ashtabula, Lake, Geauga, Summit and Portage.

Mr. Lawyer is a Methodist, and is affiliated with Jefferson Lodge No. 400, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Ashtabula Lodge No. 547, Loyal Order of Moose; Unity Lodge No. 133, Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Ashtabula County and State Bar associations and the Jefferson Chamber of Commerce. He has one of the finest residences in the county, located on Walnut Street in Jefferson. Around his home is over an acre of ground, and his recreation is the improvement and adornment of this

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place. He has other real estate in Ashtabula, Saybrook and Geneva, Ohio.

On June 27, 1886, at Jefferson, Mr. Lawyer married Miss Flora A. Lindsley, daughter of Horatio and Eliza (Creesy) Lindsley, now deceased. Her father was a farmer. Mrs. Lawyer is a proficient pianist, having finished her musical education in the Conservatory of Music at Oberlin. They have one child, Leah C., now the wife of John D. Williams, a resident of Chicago and a member of the Chicago Display Men's Association.

CHARLES B. GLADDING, executive head of the C. B. Gladding Company, which maintains the agency for the Ford Automobiles at Geneva, Ashtabula County, and which has also a well equipped Ford service station in this vital little city, is a native son of Ashtabula County and a scion of one of its pioneer families, as is shown when it is noted that his paternal grandfather, Joseph Gladding, was born in Windsor, this county, in the year 1809. Joseph Gladding was her reared and educated under the conditions of the early pioneer days, and as a young man he engaged in farm enterprise near the Village of Hartsgrove, this county, he having been one of the extensive agriculturists and substantial citizens of that section of the county at the time of his death, in 1866. His wife, whose maiden name was Thankful Norris, was born in Ashtabula County in the year 1798, and here she passed her entire life, which came to its end in 1878. The lineage of the Gladding family traces back to English origin, and the first American representatives settled in Connecticut in the Colonial days, and the family name having been worthily linked with the history of New England both before and after the War of the Revolution.

Charles B. Gladding was born on the old homestead farm near Hartsgrove, Ashtabula County, and the date of his nativity was April 1, 1868. He is a son of Charles and Mary (Murphy) Gladding, the former of whom was born on his father's Hartsgrove farm, in the year 1839, his entire life having been passed in that locality, where he owned and operated a large and valuable farm and where his death occurred in the year 1897, his widow having there remained until she too passed to the life eternal, December 25, 1922. She was born in Thompson Township, Geauga County, Ohio, in the year 1845. Charles Gladding was a staunch republican, served a number of years as trustee of Hartsgrove Township, was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife were earnest members of the Christian Church. Of the children, Charles B., of this sketch, is the first born; George A. is a farmer in Hartsgrove Township and is serving (1924) as a member of the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County; John Earland likewise is one of the representative farmers in Hartsgrove Township; Eldora is the wife of John Graham, and they reside on the old home farm of her parents.

After receiving the advantages of the public schools Charles B. Gladding entered New Lyme Institute, at New Lyme, this state, where he continued his studies until he was seventeen years of age. Thereafter he taught school during the winter terms and assisted in the work and management of the old home farm until he had attained to the age of twenty-four years. He then brought portable mills into commission and turned his attention to the manufacturing of hub locks, his operations having been in Ashtabula, Lake, Geauga and Trumbull counties, Ohio, and in various districts in the western part of Pennsylvania. He continued in this line of enterprise until 1913, and in the meanwhile, in 1907, became agent for the Ford automobiles in his home city of Geneva, where he had established his residence in the year 1897. He now has the distinction of being, in matter of continuity, the oldest Ford agent representing the Cleveland branch, and in the sale of the ever popular cars he has built up the leading Ford agency in Ashtabula County. He sold the first Ford car in this county, and also the first in Lake County. In addition to the large and prosperous business with which he is thus identified Mr. Gladding has been engaged also in the manufacturing of lumber since the year 1892. The building occupied by the C. B. Gladding Company as headquarters of the Ford sales and service station at Geneva was erected and equipped for the purpose to which it is applied, and is situated at 28 North Broadway. This building is owned by Mr. Gladding.

The energy and progressiveness that have characterized Mr. Gladding in his business activities have marked also his attitude as a loyal citizen. He was for twelve years a member of the City Council of Geneva and also gave two years of splendid administration as mayor. His political faith is that of the republican party, and he and his wife are members of the Church of the Diciples. He has been one of the most layol members of the Geneva Chamber of Commerce, and was its president four years. He is a director of the First National Bank of Geneva and also of the Geneva Savings Bank Company. In addition to his fine modern home property, at 155 West Main Street, he is the owner of the Broadway Inn, the leading hotel of Geneva, a house and lot on South Broadway and a large and valuable farm estate in Ashtabula County. He was active and influential in all local patriotic service in the World war period, both in an individual way and as mayor of Geneva.

June 15, 1892, recorded the marriage of Mr. Gladding and Miss Abbie M. McIntosh, daughter of Henry C. and Orcelia (Young) McIntosh. Mr. McIntosh was a retired farmer at the time of his death, in Ashtabula County, and his widow is now a loved member of the family circle of Mr. and Mrs. Gladding, the one other member being Henry Harold Gladding, the only child. Henry H. Gladding is associated with his father, as the junior of the two principles constituting the C. B. Gladding Company. At the time of the World war he was a student at Case School of Applied Science, in Cleveland, and there gave service as a member of the Students' Army Training Corps.

GEORGE THOMAS GALE, M. D. A remarkable record of service in one profession has been accorded by the Gale family of Washington County. Three successive generations of the Gales have practiced medicine along the Ohio River, both in Ohio and West Virginia, their services extending over a century. The middle generation is represented by Dr. George Thomas Gale of Newport, Washington County. His son is his associate and partner in practice. Doctor Gale is practicing medicine where he was born December 23, 1851, and where his father began his career as a physician 102 years ago.

Doctor Gale has the distinction of being the grandson of an English dragoon who was of Irish birth, who came to the American Colonies previous to the American Revolution. He remained in the Colonies, and evidently was an enthusiastic admirer of the great leader of the War of the Revolution, since he named one of his sons George Washington Gale. In 1820 the Gale family moved over the Alleghany Mountains to Raven Rock, in what is now West Virginia, just six miles above the present location of Newport, Ohio. The old English soldier still later moved on further west and spent his last days at Cape Girardeau.

George Washington Gale, the pioneer of the family in the medical profession, was born on the Potomac River in Hampshire County, now West Virginia, in

1798. He studied medicine in Baltimore under the famous physician, Dr. Nathan R. Smith, who was associated with the University of Maryland. While his home was over the river in West Virginia, his practice from the first extended to the country on the Ohio side, including what is now Newport in Washington County and finally, in 1840, he moved to that town and lived there until his death in 1876.

He was a fine type of the old country physician and surgeon, a man of rugged physique and great endurance, with the utmost devotion to duty. His practice extended up and down both sides of the river for a distance of forty miles, extending well back into the hills. His trips frequently took him away from home for days at a time, and he crossed back and forth over the Ohio River in canoes, swimming his horse behind. In spite of the exposures and hardships of such an occupation he reached the good old age of seventy-nine. He was a democrat in politics, and the family then, as now, were Catholic.

Dr. George Washington Gale married Katherine Wells, who died at the age of sixty-seven. Her father was Nicholas Wells, a farmer at Long Beach, West Virginia. Six sons and six daughters were born to George Washington Gale and his wife. The five now living are: Alcinda B. and Rachel, who occupy the old family home at Newport; Nicholas Wells Gale, a retired farmer; Constantine, who graduated from the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, and practiced at Pittsburgh and New Brighton, Pennsylvania, and is now retired; and George Thomas.

Four of the sons of George Washington Gale are members of the medical profession. Of those deceased, one was Dr. John Whitten Gale, who graduated from Jefferson Medical College, practiced for some years at Hamilton, Ohio, and was serving as coroner of Butler County when his official duties included the inquest over the noted attorney Vallandigham, who in 1871 met death in the accidental discharge of a pistol in his own hand in the courtroom, with which he was illustrating his theory of the manner in which a homicide had taken place. The other deceased children of George Washington Gale were: Mary, who died at the age of twenty years; Veronica, wife of Doctor Stephenson, of Parkersburg, West Virginia; Ellen, who died when forty-eight; Ada, who was the wife of William Kelley, a foundryman at Parkersburg, West Virginia; Dr. Hammitt Gale, who received training in Baltimore, where he practiced dentistry in that city, and Dr. Bernard Gale, a graduate of Baltimore Medical College, and was associated in practice with his brother George T. until his death in 1892.

George Thomas Gale acquired his early education in the home schools at Newport, began the study of medicine in his father's office, and then took his course of lectures in Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, where he graduated in 1874, just half a century ago. One of his schoolmates was Dr. W. L. West of New Matamoras, Ohio, and they practiced together a year and have been lifelong friends. Doctor Gale is an accomplished man in his profession and has taken post-graduate work in Philadelphia Polyclinic. He was associated with his father until the latter's death, then spent a year with Doctor West in New Matamoras, and afterward he resumed his work at Newport. He has been a member of the Washington County Medical Society since its organization, belongs to the Ohio State and American Medical associations, was for years president of the local school board and has been a member of the Pension Examining Board since the Wilson administration. He has been county democratic executive committeeman, and his family are members of St. Mary's Church. Doctor Gale was a volunteer during the Spanish-American war. For thirty years he has been successfully identified with oil production in Ohio, West Virginia and Illinois. His hobby is good horses, and his fondness for them has been little diminished by the general introduction of the automobile.

Doctor Gale married Miss Myra Hays, daughter of Richard and Maria Greene Hays, who were pioneers in this part of Ohio. Mrs. Gale is a direct descendant of Gen. Nathaniel Greene, and is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Three children were born to them, the only daughter dying in infancy. The son, George Hays Gale, born in 1883, was a graduate of Jefferson Medical College in 1906 at Philadelphia, and is now carrying some of the heavier burdens of practice for his father.

The other son is Larry Richard Gale, who attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, but graduated in medicine from the university at Cincinnati. During the World war, he was in training as a medical officer at Fort Riley, Kansas, and at Fort Beauregard, Louisiana, and achieved the rank of lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps. He rendered notable service and had been ordered for overseas duty with an army division that had been stationed at Panama, but the influenza outbreak caused him to be detailed for service with the troops in home camps, and he never went overseas. This distinguished young physician died September 23, 1923.

Dr. George Hays Gale was chairman of the war board in Newport Township, received a lieutenant's commission on October 17, 1918, but the armistice was signed before he was called to duty.

ORR A. DICKSON, M. D. A busy physician and surgeon for a quarter of a century, Doctor Dickson is especially well known for his ability and skill as a surgeon. With the exception of two years he has practiced at Jefferson in Ashtabula County, in the same community where he was born and grew up.

Doctor Dickson was born at Jefferson, June 6, 1873. His grandfather, James O. Dickson, was born in County Down, Ireland, in 1792, and was a man of substantial means in his native country. About 1847 he brought his family to the United States, but did not follow any specific line of business in this country. He lived in New York, Cleveland and finally at Jefferson, Ohio, and died at Sheffield in Ashtabula County in 1876. His wife was Jane Orr, a native of Glasgow, Scotland, and she also died at Sheffield, Ohio.

James O. Dickson, father of Doctor Dickson, was born in County Down, Ireland, December 25, 1841, and was six years old when his parents came to the United States. He began his education in the schools of New York City, where his parents lived five years, and during the next ten years the family home was in Cleveland, where he continued his public school education. His last schooling was in Jefferson, and he married there and spent his active career as a farmer, accumulating extensive farming interests in Ashtabula County. He was a man of most substantial character and thoroughly public spirited. He served a number of years as a trustee of Sheffield Township and as a director of the school board, and he was a Union soldier in the last two years of the Civil war, a member of the One Hundred and Ninety-sixth Ohio Infantry. He was always republican in politics. James O. Dickson, who died at Jefferson, Ohio, May 15, 1922, at the age of eighty-one, married Susan Van Slyke, who was born at Sheffield in Ashtabula County, July 4, 1849, and now lives at Jefferson. She was the mother of five children, Orr A. being the oldest. Sarah J. is the wife of John Simmons, a farmer at Burton, Wisconsin. Maude Elizabeth is the wife of Rufus A. Westcott, a carpenter and contractor at Ashtabula. Grace, who died at Jennings, Louisiana,

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Parrish

in 1915, was the wife of Alonzo Early. Ray Nelson, the youngest of the family, is a farmer at Sheffield.

Orr A. Dickson acquired his public school education in Ashtabula and Jefferson, graduating from the Ashtabula High School in 1892. For two years after that he pursued his classical studies in the Western Reserve University at Cleveland, and then entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1898. Through his individual study and experience and also by post-graduate work and attendance at clinics he has made himself proficient in the lines of surgery. In 1912 he attended the New York Polyclinic College and Hospital and in 1914 the New York Post Graduate School of Medicine and Surgery. After graduating from medical college Doctor Dickson practiced for two years at Cortland, Ohio, and since 1900 his home has been at Jefferson. He is consulting surgeon in the Ashtabula General Hospital. His offices are in the Jones Block at Jefferson.

Doctor Dickson is a member of the Ashtabula County, the Ohio State and American Medical associations, and during the World war he was a volunteer for the medical corps, enlisting June 17, 1917. He was sent to Fort Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis, was commissioned a captain of the medical corps, and later was transferred to Camp Taylor, Kentucky, and was on duty in other camps until mustered out in May, 1919. In his profession he has rendered much public service, and for four years he was also a member of the City Council of Jefferson and for the past eight years has been a member of the Board of Public Service. Doctor Dickson is a republican, is one of the board of trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is a past master of the Tuscan Lodge No. 342, Free and Accepted Masons, and a member of Jefferson Chapter No. 141, Royal Arch Masons; Casche Commandery of the Knights Templar at Conneaut; Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Jefferson Lodge No. 400, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Doctor Dickson is a director of the Ashtabula Bond and Mortgage Company, and owns valuable real estate in Jefferson and Sheffield, Ohio, and Erie, Pennsylvania, including his home on Walnut Street at Jefferson.

On October 26, 1898, at Jeffeson, Doctor Dickson married Miss Arminta Wolcott, who was born at Lenox, Ashtabula County, in 1874, and died June 20, 1914. She is survived by one son, Robert, now a student in Mount Union College at Alliance, Ohio. On January 6, 1916, Doctor Dickson married at Erie, Pennsylvania, Miss Catherine Carlin, daughter of James A. and Mary Carlin. Her father died at Erie, Pennsylvania, August 16, 1923, a retired farmer, and her mother still lives in Erie. Mrs. Dickson is a registered nurse. By the second marriage Doctor Dickson has one son, John Arthur, born March 29, 1919.

Richard Stephen Parrish was born and reared on a farm in Noble County, but early took up a commercial career, and after a successful experience as a traveling salesman engaged in the hardware business on his own account at Belle Valley, and is proprietor of one of the most prosperous stores in that section of the county.

Mr. Parrish was born on a farm near Keith, Jackson Township, Noble County, February 11, 1877. His grandfather, Stephen Parrish, was one of the pioneer settlers of Noble County. He was born January 22, 1816, and was taken to Noble County in 1819. Benjamin R. Parrish, father of the Belle Valley business man, was born in Sharon Township of Noble County in 1847, and was one of the successful farmers of that and Olive townships. After he retired from his farm he lived at Belle Valley until his death on July 16, 1923, at the age of seventy-five. For a number of years he was an elder in the Presbyterian Church. He married in 1873 Phœbe J. Keyser. She was born in Belmont County, Ohio, her family being well known both in that and in Noble County. The Keysers came from Pennsylvania. Mrs. Phœbe J. Parrish died August 15, 1916, at the age of sixty-eight.

Third in a family of seven children, Richard Stephen Parrish spent his boyhood in a country district, attended public schools, and first learned the carpenters' trade, a mechanical occupation which he followed about five years. He then entered the service of the Kane-Keyser Company, wholesale and jobbing hardware dealers at Belington, West Virginia. His first experience was in the stock room, after which he was made shipping clerk, and then for two years represented the company on the road as a traveling salseman in West Virginia.

On leaving the road Mr. Parrish, in 1907, located at Belle Valley, engaging in the hardware business, and in 1910 built the modern store that now houses the Valley Hardware store. He has made this one of the largest, if not the largest, hardware stores in Noble County, and carries a complete stock of general hardware and implements.

Along with the conduct of a successful business Mr. Parrish has made himself a factor in every movement for the general civic welfare. He was especially devoted to all the causes for the winning of the war, contributing both of his time and means to the various campaigns. He is a democrat, and has served on the county central and executive committees.

On December 25, 1911, Mr. Parrish married Mary Louella Dutton. She was born and reared on a farm in Noble County, and died August 25, 1922, leaving no living children. She was very devoted to her home and work as a member of the Presbyterian Church. Her father, Raymond Dutton, is a farmer and stock raiser near Keith, an active democrat, and one of the leading men of his community. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Hon. James W. Roberts, who has made a distinguished record on the Common Pleas and Appellate bench of Ohio, began the practice of law forty years ago, and for practically twenty years has been on the bench. He is now judge of the Court of Appeals of the Seventh Judicial District, with home and offices at Jefferson in Ashtabula County.

Judge Roberts was born in one of the interesting communities of the old Ohio Western Reserve, Kinsman, in Trumbull County, on August 3, 1858. His ancestors came from New England, his grandfather being a native of Massachusetts, but came to Ohio from Vermont during the '30s. He settled at Madison, Ohio, and followed the trade of cooper until his death. The grandmother of Judge Roberts was Elvira Kemp, a native of Connecticut. His father, Lorenzo W. Roberts, was born in Vermont in 1833, and was a small boy when his parents came to Madison, Lake County, Ohio. He was reared there, and as a young man went to Kinsman, where he married and where for many years he was a blacksmith and farmer. He died at Kinsman in 1905. He was a staunch republican in his political affiliation, and was an honored veteran of the Civil war. He served three years with the Tenth Ohio Cavalry. He was under that great cavalry leader General Kilpatrick, and was with Sherman on the March to the Sea. During the concluding scenes of the war, just before the surrender of General Johnston, he was wounded, on April 14, 1865, and possibly was the last Union soldier struck by a rebel bullet. Lorenzo W. Roberts married Mary J. Waid, who was born at Kinsman,

in 1834, and died there in 1910. She was a daughter of Alexander and Ellen (McConnell) Waid, both natives of Kinsman. She was the mother of five children, Judge Roberts being the oldest, Harriet A. lives at Kinsman, Frank A. is a hardware merchant at Kinsman, Perry M. is a carpenter and builder at Geneva, Ohio, and Arba L. is a blacksmith at Kinsman.

James W. Roberts spent his boyhood days at Kinsman, attending the grammar and high schools there. For six, years, however, his parents lived across the state line from Trumbull County, in the vicinity of Jamestown, Mercer County, Pennsylvania. While on the farm there Judge Roberts attended the Jamestown Seminary until 1876. For three years he worked on the home farm, teaching terms of winter school, and about that time he began the study of law. He continued teaching and studying in Mercer County until 1880, and was then in Trumbull County until 1882. Judge Roberts for a time read law in the office of Clarence S. Darrow, at Andover, Ohio, his preceptor having since become the famous criminal lawyer of Chicago. Judge Roberts was admitted to the bar in May, 1881, and from the fall of 1883 until 1897 he practiced at Andover. In the latter year he moved to Jefferson, becoming a member of the law firm of Northway Perry and Roberts. After the death of Congressman Northway in 1898 the firm continued as Perry & Roberts until 1905.

Judge Roberts was elected judge of the Court of Common Pleas in 1905 to fill out the unexpired term of Judge Theodore Hall. In 1906 he was elected for the regular term of six years, and he was reelected in 1912 and again in 1918. However, he resigned midway of this term, in 1920, to accept the nomination for judge of the Court of Appeals. He was elected, and on February 9, 1921, went on the Appellate bench, representing the Seventh District, comprising fourteen counties in Eastern Ohio. As an attorney and as a judge Mr. Roberts has been before the public for over forty years, and he has deserved all the honors that are a mark of successful achievement and high character.

He is a republican, is affiliated with Tuscan Lodge No. 342, Free and Accepted Masons, at Jefferson; Jefferson Chapter No. 141, Royal Arch Masons; Cache Commandery of the Knights Templar at Conneaut; Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Kinsman Camp of the Modern Woodmen of America. He is a member of the Ohio State and Ashtabula County Bar associations. He was one of the incorporators and a director of the Jefferson Banking Company, and has a number of business interests. He owns a fine home on West Jefferson Street in Jefferson, and other real estate at Lake Shore Park. During the World war Judge Roberts accepted the duties of director of the Ashtabula County Chapter of the Red Cross, and is still a member of the board.

On May 24, 1883, at Girard, Pennsylvania, he married Miss Clara C. Brockway, daughter of Jeremiah and Caroline (Herriott) Brockway, now deceased. Her father was a farmer. Mrs. Roberts finished her education in the Jamestown Seminary in Pennsylvania. Judge and Mrs. Roberts are the parents of three children. Ethel E. is official stenographer of the Ashtabula County Court. Burke B. is a civil engineer living at Cleveland, Ohio. He married Charlotte Heym, of Cleveland, and they have two children, James W. and Burke B., Jr. Mary Caroline married Ralph A. Van Wye, who was in France two years as a member of Pershing's Military Band during the World war, and is now a chemical engineer living at Cincinnati. They have one son, John R., and a daughter, Nancy.

WALTER S. WEISS, M. D. Few men in the medical profession give such rich and varied service to the public welfare as Dr. Walter S. Weiss of Jefferson, present health commissioner of Ashtabula County, and who in addition to performing the routine work of a doctor for thirty-five years has been influentially identified with the educational, civic and general welfare of his community.

Doctor Weiss was born in Champion Township, near Warren, in Trumbull County, Ohio, March 6, 1864. He is of Colonial ancestry, the Weiss family having come from Virginia to Pennsylvania. His grandfather, Abram Weiss, was a native of Ohio, and spent his career as a farmer in Champion Township of Trumbull County and in Austintown, Mahoning County. Amos Weiss, father of Doctor Weiss, was born January 29, 1826, at Austintown, but after the age of ten years lived in Champion Township of Trumbull County, where he married and where he devoted his life to farming. He died in Champion Township in August, 1906, when eighty years of age. He became a republican after the formation of that party, and was a leader in the affairs of his community, holding several township offices. He was a member of the Church of the Disciples. Amos Weiss married Hannah Price, who was born at Youngstown, March 14, 1830, and died at her home in Champion Township in April, 1906. They were the parents of six children: John and Charles, both of whom died in childhood; Salome, who died at Southington, Trumbull County, wife of Wallace Brunson, a farmer who also died there; Dr. Walter S.; Nellie, wife of Charles Gaylord, a traveling salesman living at Los Angeles, California, and Mary, of Warren, widow of Ira Hatch.

Dr. Walter S. Weiss attended public schools in Champion Township, spent three years as a student in Hiram College in Portage County, and one year in Ohio State University at Columbus. His professional studies were pursued in Western Reserve University at Cleveland, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in the class of '88. Doctor Weiss has repeatedly gone to larger centers to keep in touch with the progress in medicine and surgery, and twice has pursued post-graduate work in Chicago clinics. He began his regular practice at Cortland, Ohio, in 1888, but two years later established his home at Rock Creek, in Ashtabula County. Doctor Weiss was a competent physician of that community for a period of twenty-eight years. During the World war he became a medical member of the Ashtabula County Draft Board. The duties of this position required so much of his time that he moved from Rock Creek to Jefferson in 1918, and has remained in the county seat, engaged in a general medical and surgical practice and attending the various official duties. In 1922 he was elected county health commissioner, and has given most of his time to that office since August 1, 1922.

Doctor Weiss was president of the school board of Rock Creek for twenty-five years, that length of service constituting perhaps a record. He had been in Jefferson only six months when he was appointed a member of the Board of Education, and in 1921 was elected as president, an office he fills today. For the past six years he has been president of the Ashtabula County Board of Education, and became a member of that organization when it was instituted nine years ago. Thus officially and through his industry and zeal he has conferred many signal benefits on the educational program of his county. For seven years he held the office of mayor of Rock Creek, and for several terms was on the Town Council and served one term on the City Council of Jefferson, resigning when elected county health commissioner. Doctor Weiss is a republican, is a member of the First Congregational Church of Jefferson, is a past master of Rock Creek Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons;

past high priest of Grand River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, at Rock Creek, and is now a member of Jefferson Chapter No. 141; a member of Conneaut Council No. 40, Royal and Select Masters, at Conneaut, and the Commandery at Conneaut, Ohio, and belongs to the Jefferson Chamber of Commerce, the Ashtabula County, Ohio State and Americal Medical associations. He owns two residences, one occupied by his family on West Jefferson Street in Jefferson, and another at Rock Creek.

August 19, 1890, at Cortland, Ohio, Doctor Weiss married Miss Alice Anderson, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Anderson, now deceased. Her father was a farmer in Mercer County, Pennsylvania. Doctor Weiss lost his wife by death on June 18, 1920. Four children survive. Helen E. is the wife of Walter Bender, an employe of the General Fire Proofing Company of Youngstown, Ohio. Mildred E. is her father's housekeeper. Agnes N. married W. Clinton Burnett, a rancher and cattle buyer at Lewistown, Montana. Walter A. is a student in the Jefferson High School.

Hon. Elbert L. Lampson. One of the interesting figures and striking personalities in Ohio politics and public affairs during the past half century has been Elbert L. Lampson, of Jefferson. Mr. Lampson is a former lieutenant-governor of Ohio and former state Senator. A lawyer by profession, his time has been taken up with a great diversity of interests. He is a banker, and for many years was a newspaper publisher.

He was born at Windsor, in Ashtabula County, July 30, 1852. He is of old New England ancestry, the Lampsons settling in Connecticut when they came from England in Colonial times. His grandfather, Ebenezer Lampson, was born in Connecticut in 1754. He served three enlistments as a soldier in the Revolutionary war. In the cemetery at Windsor, Ohio, is a monument erected to the memory of the soldiers of the American Revolution, and one of the names on that monument is Ebenezer Lampson. He came West and settled in the Western Reserve, at Windsor, in 1809. He served as a member of the first grand jury of Ashtabula County in 1811. He was a farmer, and developed a good home, though he lost part of his property through a defective title. He died at Windsor March 12, 1835. His second wife and the grandmother of Elbert L. Lampson bore the maiden name of Martha Griggs. She was born in Connecticut in 1777, and died at Windsor in 1862.

Chester Lampson, son of this Revolutionary soldier, was born at the old homestead in Windsor Township, March 12, 1823, and lived there all his life. He was killed by a falling tree while cutting timber on September 12, 1879. He remained at home and assisted his widowed mother, who received a pension as a Revolutionary widow, and, while starting life in very modest circumstances, he left an estate of 523 acres of valuable farm land. He was a staunch republican, and for a number of years served as township trustee and as a member of the District School Board. As a young man he received military training as a member of the State Militia. Chester Lampson married Emerette A. Griswold, who was born at Windsor in 1829, and died there June 25, 1893. Her father was Nathaniel Griswold, who came to Ohio from New Hampshire. Of the seven children born to Chester Lampson and wife Elbert L. is the oldest; Carrie A. is the wife of Eugene C. Hoskins, a farmer at Middlefield, Ohio; Deette H., who died at Mesopotamia, Ohio, married Thomas H. Bell, a retired farmer at Windsor; Addie is the wife of William R. Pinks, a farmer at Windsor, and former county commissioner of Ashtabula County; Clayton L. is a farmer at Windsor; Ray D. is manager of the Jefferson Gazette; and Edith is the wife of Walter Norris, cashier of the Middlefield Banking Company at Middlefield, Ohio.

Elbert L. Lampson was reared on his father's farm, and with increasing years and strength he performed an increasing share of the duties of the establishment. At the same time he attended the district schools, and when he was seventeen he entered the Grand River Institute at Austinburg, attending one term each year and then teaching, and in this way he continued until he graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1875. About that time he married, and continued teaching and also began the study of law at Jefferson under the late Congressman Northway. In 1876 he became a student in the law department at the University of Michigan, and was graduated Bachelor of Laws in 1878, and admitted to the Ohio bar the same year. Mr. Lampson then engaged in private practice at Jefferson, and was an active member of the bar until 1883. Since that year other interests have served to deflect him largely from the legal profession.

In 1883 Mr. Lampson bought the Jefferson Gazette, and was editor and publisher of that sterling republican paper until about 1900. Sometime afterward the ownership and management of the Gazette were transferred to a new firm, consisting of E. C. Lampson, son of Elbert L., and R. D. Lampson, brother of Elbert L. The Gazette is now the only paper published at Jefferson, the present owners having bought the Ashtabula Sentinel, the owner of which was J. A. Howells, the brother of the distinguished novelist W. D. Howells. Mr. Lampson is now vice president of the Jefferson Banking Company and is chairman of its discount committee. Through his private business interests has been woven a thread of public service, portions of which have demanded all his time and energies. From 1877 to 1885 he served as county school examiner of Ashtabula County. He also held such offices as township trustee, president of the Board of Education, justice of the peace and treasurer of the Ashtabula County Agricultural Society. He was a delegate to the Republican National Convention at Chicago in 1884, being secretary of the Ohio delegation and a member of the Blaine Conference Committee. In 1885 he was elected to represent Ashtabula County in the General Assembly of Ohio, and was reelected in 1887. In 1888 he was chosen speaker of the House of Representatives, and during the two sessions he presided the only appeal, taken from his decisions was sustained in his favor.

In the Republican State Convention of 1889 Mr. Lampson was nominated for lieutenant-governor, taking second place on the ticket headed by Governor J. B. Foraker. That was one of the most notable campaigns in Ohio State politics. Governor Foraker was defeated by James E. Campbell of Columbus, but the rest of the republican ticket was elected, Mr. Lampson having a plurality of twenty-three votes. However, he filled the office of lieutenant-governor only eighteen days. The democrats held control of the Senate by a majority of one, and this majority unseated him and gave the office to his opponent.

Mr. Lampson served as permanent chairman of the Republican State Convention at Dayton in 1888. In 1891 he was elected to the State Senate to represent the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-sixth districts, including Ashtabula, Lake, Geauga, Portage and Summit counties, and in January, 1892, he was chosen president pro tem of the Senate. He twice voted for John Sherman for the United States Senate. In December, 1895, Mr. Lampson was appointed reading clerk of the National House of Representatives, and during the sessions of Congress he was on duty at Washington and held the position continuously for nearly sixteen years, until May 11, 1911. In 1912

Mr. Lampson was a prominent member of the Constitutional Convention of Ohio. He was parliamentarian of the Republican National Convention at Chicago in 1912. Under the auspices of the National Republican Committee he has been a speaker in five national campaigns, those in which the republican candidates for president were Blaine, McKinley, Roosevelt, Taft and Harding. He has spoken in twelve different states, and in the campaign of 1892 he delivered over thirty speeches in New York and Connecticut.

Mr. Lampson is a trustee of the Congregational Church of Jefferson, and fraternally is affiliated with Tuscan Lodge No. 342, Free and Accepted Masons, at Jefferson; Jefferson Chapter No. 141, Royal Arch Masons, and Conneaut Commandery, Knights Templar, at Conneaut. He is a member of the Ashtabula County Bar Association and the Jefferson Chamber of Commerce. He has a number of business interests, including real estate in Ashtabula, and one of the finest residences in Jefferson is the home of his family, located at the corner of Chestnut and Ashtabula streets. He was one of the organizers of the Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and is one of the very few men at the present time who can claim the distinction of being a real grandson of a Revolutionary soldier.

On August 5, 1875, at Hartsgrove, Ohio, Mr. Lampson married Miss Mary L. Hurlburt, daughter of Edward G. and Jane (Babcock) Hurlburt, now deceased. Her father was a farmer at Hartsgrove, and for twelve years was county commissioner of Ashtabula County. Mrs. Lampson also attended Grand River Institute at Austinburg, and it was there that they began the friendship which ripened into marriage. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Lampson. Edward C. is the successor of his father as editor of the Jefferson Gazette. The son Lawrence V., who is a literary graduate of Oberlin College, spent ten years as a teacher in the Central High School at Washington, D. C., and still lives in that city, a representative of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. Lillian D., now living with her parents, is the widow of Gould R. Anthony, who died as the result of hardships endured while a soldier in the Spanish-American war. The youngest child, Clara May, is a graduate of Oberlin College and the wife of L. J. Pauley, a dentist at Mason City, Iowa.

Charles A. Bonsor, editor of the Geneva Free Press, at Geneva, Ashtabula County, has shown a fine appreciation of the proper functioning of modern journalism and has had a varied experience in the newspaper field. His policies and effective work have done much to bring the Geneva Free Press up to its present high standard as a vehicle of news and as an exponent of the principles of the republican party. He is a forceful and discerning writer, and his published utterances bear weight in the community whose interests he represents.

Mr. Bonsor was born at Lorain, Lorain County, Ohio, on the 1st of January, 1897, and he thus became a welcome New Year's arrival in the home of his parents, Walter A. and Lena (Deiss) Bonsor, who still reside at Lorain. The former was born in old Saint James Hotel in New York City, in the year 1853, and the latter was born at Amherst, Lorain County, Ohio, in 1863. Walter A. Bonsor passed a part of his childhood in Iowa, where his parents settled in the pioneer days and whence they made their way with old-time equipment of team and "prairie schooner" on the subsequent overland journey to Oberlin, Ohio, the Civil war having been in progress at the time. Some time after the close of the war the family removed to Missouri. Walter A. Bonsor received the advantages of a common school education and was a young man when he established himself at Lorain, Ohio, where his marriage was solemnized and where he continues to maintain his home. He has been a specially successful contractor and builder, and is now one of the oldest active exponents of this important line of business enterprise in the State of Ohio, with a record of long and successful service in his chosen vocation. Mr. Bonsor is a stalwart republican, and in earlier years was active in the local councils and campaign work of his party. He was a close friend of President McKinley, and a great admirer and loyal supporter of President Roosevelt. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife hold membership in the Congregational Church. Millicent, eldest of the children, is the wife of Claude A. Rowley, and they maintain their home at Ashtabula, Ohio, Mr. Rowley being one of the prominent newspaper publishers in Ohio, where he figures as owner and publisher of the Ashtabula Star-Beacon, the Geneva Free Press and the Painesville Telegraph. Clifford C. maintains a partnership with his father in the contracting and building business at Lorain. Charles A., of this review, was the next in order of birth. Lucile is the wife of Philip Weigand, of South Amherst, Lorain County, in which locality Mr. Weigand is engaged in the quarrying of stone. Toletha and Helen remain at the parental home.

The public schools of Lorain afforded Charles A. Bonsor his early education, and there he was in his senior year in high school when he withdrew therefrom, in 1914, to make his initial voyage on the choppy sea of practical journalism. He gained at Lorain his novitiate experience in newspaper work, and thereafter was for a time similarly engaged in St. Petersburg, Florida. After his return to Lorain, in 1915, he there associated himself with the Times-Herald, with which he continued his alliance until 1920, he having been its editor during the last two years of this period. Since 1920 he has been editor of the Geneva Free Press, which he made an admirable exponent of community interests and of the principles and policies for which the republican party stands sponsor. The Geneva Free Press has been published as a daily paper since 1899, and its founder as a daily was J. D. Field. It has been previously noted in this context that Claude A. Rowley, brother-in-law of the present editor, is now publisher of this paper. The Free Press has a large circulation in Ashtabula County and receives a substantial support also in Lake County. The newspaper property included the substantial business block in which its offices and general printing establishment are found, at 19 South Broadway. This is the first really modern business block to have been erected at Geneva, with steam heat and other modern facilities and accessories. One of the best equipped small town printing establishments in Ohio is that of the Geneva Free Press, and perhaps no other town of the same approximate population in the entire United States can claim a daily paper that is conducted as a going and paying business enterprise. Mr. Bonsor and his wife hold membership in the First Methodist Church. He is an active member of the Geneva Chamber of Commerce, is a director of the Community House Association of Geneva, and in the Masonic fraternity his present affiliations are with Geneva Lodge No. 334, Free and Accepted Masons, and Geneva Chapter No. 147, Royal Arch Mason, while in his native town of Lorain he is a member of Lorain Lodge No. 1301, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In 1923 he has completed the erection of his modern and attractive Geneva residence, on Cummings Avenue.

In May, 1917, the month following that in which the United States became formally involved in the World war, Mr. Bonsor enlisted for active service,

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and after passing a brief time at Columbus, Ohio, he was sent to Fort Howard, Maryland, and assigned to the coast artillery. There he remained two months, after which he passed three weeks at Camp Lowe, New Jersey, and one month at Camp Eustice, Virginia. He was next stationed for a time at Camp Stuart, Virginia, still being in the heavy artillery arm of service, and he had embarked with his command for overseas service when the armistice was signed and the transport on which he had embarked was called back. He was mustered out in January, 1919, and was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant. He was later the leader in organizing Lorain Post of the American Legion in his native town, and with this post he still maintains his affiliation.

September 5, 1923, recorded the marriage of Mr. Eonsor and Miss Marian K. Mylander, who was born and reared at Oak Harbor, Ottawa County, Ohio, where she was graduated from high school, this discipline having thereafter been supplemented by her attending Skidmore Preparatory College in the State of New York.

JOHN MCWILLIAMS. Noble County has no better known citizen than John McWilliams, farmer, stock man, land owner, banker and former county treasurer. He represents one of the oldest families of the county, and his grandfather had the distinction of being the first county treasurer.

This grandfather was Phillip McWilliams, a native of Ireland who came to the United States in 1794, first locating at Wheeling, West Virginia, and then moving to Guernsey County, where he acquired a farm near Gilbert's Station. He became a resident of Noble County upon its organization, and was chosen the first incumbent of the office of county treasurer. William McWilliams, father of the Noble County banker, was born in Guernsey County, July 6, 1826, and became a well known and highly respected man of affairs in Center Township of Noble County. He lived on his farm near Sarahsville until his death in 1895. His wife was Louisa McCollum, who was born in Dayton, Ohio, and is also deceased.

Their son, John McWilliams, was born on the home farm in Center Township, October 7, 1862, obtained his education in the country schools, and lived on the home farm until he was twenty-two. He started farming for himself in Center Township. For several years he farmed rented lands. Possessed of great ambition and great energy, he contrived opportunities beyond the limit of a farm tenant, and began buying stock and farm produce of all kinds, including wool, and soon built up an extensive business in which he is still engaged and which has been an important source of his prosperity. Mr. McWilliams is now reputed to be the largest land owner and farmer in Noble County and one of the largest in Southern Ohio. He owns a thousand acres of land in the county, and carries on a large business in buying, selling and feeding the live stock.

For several years he held the office of vice president and since 1921, president of the Noble County National Bank. This is the oldest bank in the county. He gives much of his time to its management. His home since 1913 has been in Caldwell. He held the office of county treasurer two terms, and has been one of the men most prominent in the local republican party, serving as chairman of the county executive committee, the county central committee and was a member of the Fifteenth Congressional District Committee. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and has participated in all movements for the upbuilding of the town and county, particularly those concerned with good roads. He is affiliated with Caldwell Lodge No. 280, Knights of Pythias, and has been deeply interested in the preservation of the history of Noble County and has supplied much data for the local historical records.

Mr. McWilliams married Miss Rose L. Secrest, of Noble County, where she was born and reared. Her father, Frederick Secrest, was a member of a pioneer family of the county. Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams have two children. The daughter, Clara, married Dr. Ellis D. Kackley, who is a graduate of medicine from Ohio State University, and served as a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps with the Three Hundred Sixth Infantry in the Seventy-seventh Division and was overseas on duty in the Argonne and other campaigns. Doctor and Mrs. Kackley reside at Adena, Ohio, and they have one son, John McWilliams Kackley. The son, William Frederick McWilliams, is a farmer and business man at Caldwell, and by his marriage to Catherine Rich, has a son, John Rich McWilliams.

GLENN C. WEBSTER. In addition to his effective executive service as secretary of the Geneva Metal Wheel Company, at Geneva, Ashtabula County, Mr. Webster is according equally valuable administration as manager of the factory of this industrial corporation. He is a scion of the third generation of the Webster family in Ohio, and of a collateral branch a distinguished member was Noah Webster, the great lexicographer. One of the great-grandmothers of the subject of this sketch bore the maiden name of Laura Cochran, and she was a direct descendant of Oliver Cromwell. James Webster, grandfather of him whose name introduces this paragraph, was born and reared in the State of New York, and was a young man when he came to the Cleveland district of Ohio. In this section of the state he passed the greater part of his long and useful life, he having been a buyer and shipper of cattle and also engaged in business as a wholesale cheese merchant. Late in life he removed to Kansas, and there he lived virtually retired until his death.

Glenn C. Webster was born at Garrettsville, Portage County, Ohio, on the 9th of June, 1872, and is a son of Waldo D. and Polly (Cannon) Webster, who now maintain their home at Geneva. Waldo D. Webster was born in Cleveland, Ohio, October 20, 1845, and he supplemented the discipline of the common schools by attending a business college in his native city. His wife was born and reared at Solon, Cuyahoga County, the date of her nativity having been April 10, 1847, and it was at that place their marriage was solemnized. Soon afterward they established their residence at Garrettsville, and there Mr. Webster continued to be successfully engaged in the hardware business until 1881. He then beame associated with pottery manufacturing at Wellsville, but in 1884 he sold his interests at that place and removed with his family to Geneva, where he has since maintained his home and where he has lived retired since the year 1908. He here became one of the interested principals in the old Enterprise Manufacturing Company, which manufactured hardware specialties and which was eventually succeeded by the present Champion Hardware Company. Mr. Webster has never deviated from a line of strict allegiance to the republican party, and he and his wife hold membership in the Presbyterian Church, he having been very active in Sunday school work during a long term of years. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. Glenn C. Webster is the eldest of the three children, the second N. C. having died at the age of six years, and the youngest being Miss Minerva M., who is a Christian Science practitioner in the City of Cleveland.

The public schools of Garrettsville, Wellsville and Geneva afforded Glenn C. Webster his early education, and after completing the work of the junior year in

the Geneva High School he continued his course in the high school at Warren, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1891. For one year thereafter he was in the employ of S. W. Park & Company, wholesale and retail hardware dealers at Warren, and during the ensuing ten years he was there actively associated with the Warren Electric & Specialty Company, with which he won advancement from the lowliest of work as a laborer to the responsible post of manager of the five factories of this company. In 1902 Mr. Webster resigned his executive position and organized and incorporated the Sterling Electrical Manufacturing Company, for the manufacturing of an incandescent lamp on which he held the patent. This company manufactured this and other types of electric lamps, at Warren, until 1906, when the plant and business were profitably sold to the General Electric Company, with which great corporation Mr. Webster accepted the position of factory manager, with headquarters at Cleveland, Ohio. In 1909 he became manager of the engineering department of the National Electric Lamp Association, a subsidiary of the General Electric Company, and in this capacity he continued his service, with headquarters in Cleveland, until 1914, when he returned to Geneva and assumed his present dual office, that of secretary and factory manager of the Geneva Metal Wheel Company, manufacturers of steel wheels for industrial and agricultural uses. The well equipped manufacturing plant of the company gives employment to 160 hands, and the concern contributes much to the industrial and commercial prestige of Geneva.

Mr. Webster is a staunch republican. He is an active member of the Geneva Chamber of Commerce, and was president (1923) of the Geneva Fish & Game Association. He holds membership in the Cleveland Advertising Club, is an associate director of the Geneva Savings Bank Company, owns his attractive residence property at 34 Eagle Street, Geneva, as well as an excellent farm near this place and valuable realty in the City of Warren. His Masonic affiliations are here noted: Geneva Lodge No. 334, Free and Accepted Masons; Geneva Chapter No. 147, Royal Arch Masons; Painesville Council No. 104, Royal and Select Masters; Columbia Commandery No. 52, Knights Templar, at Ashtabula; Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine, in Cleveland; and Lake Erie Consistory of the Valley of Cleveland, in which Scottish Rite body he has received the thirty-second degree. He is a member of the Cleveland Masonic Club.

With characteristic loyalty and enthusiasm Mr. Webster directed his activities in the period of American participation in the World war. He served as chairman in connection with Government loan and Red Cross drives, and was chairman for Ashtabula County in one of the vigorous Red Cross drives. He was the Geneva city chairman in two of the Liberty Loan drives, and secretary for other local drives, besides having been chairman of the committee directing the four-minute men, speakers who did valiant service in advancing patriotic measures and enterprises. In recognition of his zealous and effective war services along these lines Mr. Webster received from the War Department of the United States a medal of honor.

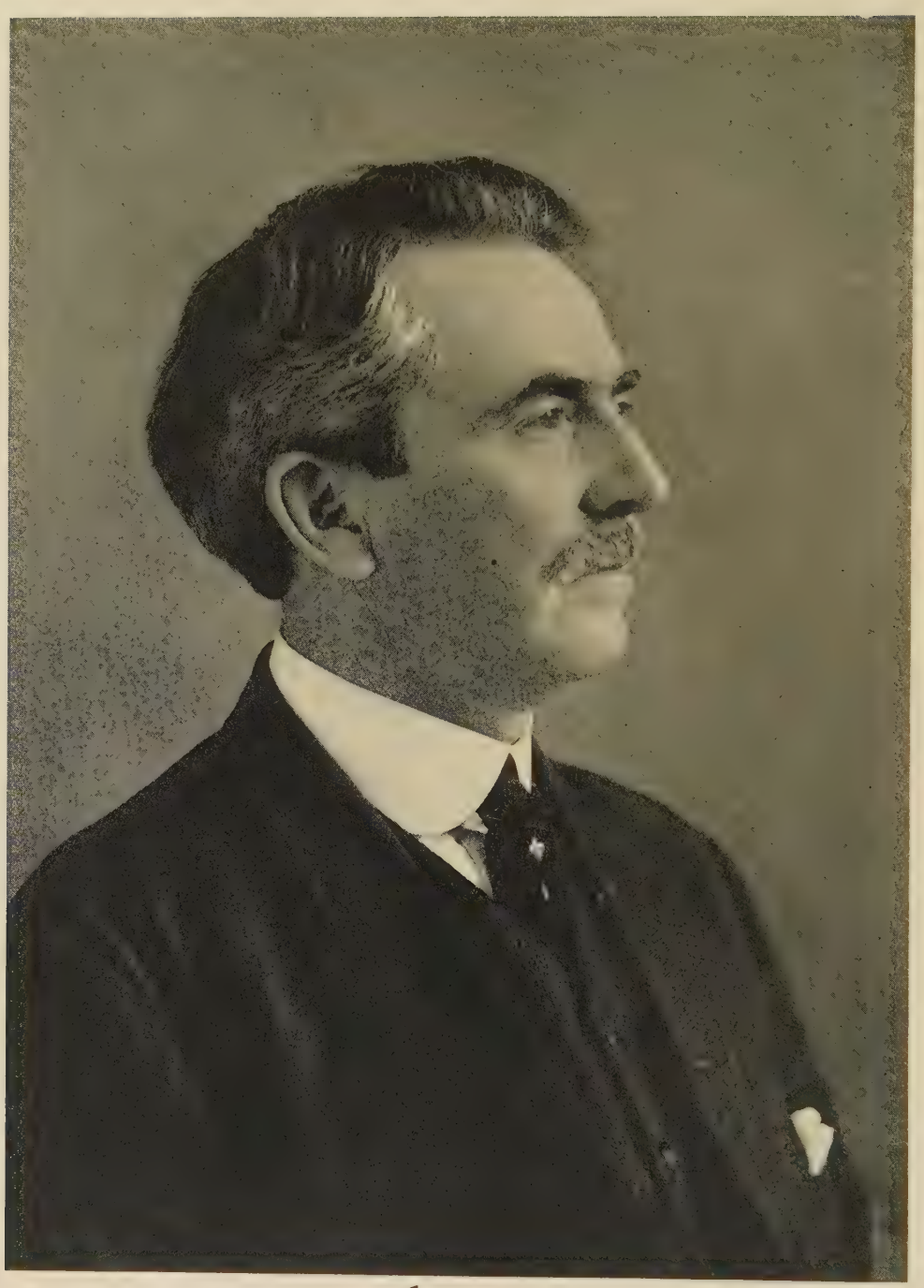
In June, 1907, Mr. Webster wedded Miss Olive Love, daughter of the late Seth L. and Grace (Ewalt) Love, of Trumbull County, Mr. Love having been a substantial farmer near Warren. Mrs. Webster is a graduate of the Warren High School, is prominently affiliated with the Order of the Eastern Star and various woman's clubs, and her influence in civic and political affairs is by no means insignificant. She is a member of the Republican County Committee of Ashtabula County, and was chairman in connection with local Red Cross activities during the entire period of the World war. Mr. and Mrs. Webster have two children: Ruth M. is the wife of Sterling T. Moulton, of Geneva, and Grace Cannon is attending the public schools of Geneva at the time of this writing, in the autumn of 1924.

Charles Austin Wilmot, who has practiced law at Chardon since the beginning of the present century, has frequently appeared in some of the notable trials held in that section of Ohio and has acquired a number of business as well as professional connections. He represents some of the oldest families of Geauga County.

Mr. Wilmot was born at Cleveland, Ohio, September 22, 1875. The Wilmot family came to America under the leadership of the noted Puritans, Goff and Whaley, who fled from England at the time of King Charles I, and settled near Judges Cave, near Hartford, Connecticut. The great-grandfather of the Chardon attorney was Abraham Wilmot, who was born near Hartford, Connecticut, and was an early settler in Geauga County, spending the rest of his life on a farm at Chardon. He married a Miss Turner, also a native of Connecticut. Their son, Charles Wilmot, was born at Hampden, Ohio, and devoted most of his life to his farm at Chardon. His first wife and the grandmother of Charles A. Wilmot, was Belle Moffett, who was born and spent her life at Chardon. His second wife was her sister Jeannette Moffett. One of the Moffett ancestors was with Washington at the beginning of the French and Indian war in the Braddock campaign and in the War of the Revolution.

Frank A. Wilmot, son of Charles and Belle (Moffett) Wilmot, was born at Hampden, Geauga County, December 27, 1850, was reared on the old homestead at Chardon, and after completing his education in Oberlin College removed to Cleveland, where he became superintendent of D. M. Osborne & Company, manufacturers and dealers in farm machinery, reapers and binders. He remained there until 1877, when he went to Chicago and organized the Fairbanks oleomargarine department, and established offices for this department in a number of states and larger cities, including Philadelphia, New York and St. Louis. Having finished this business, he returned to Geauga County in 1879 and bought a farm at Chardon, where he lived out the remainder of his busy life and where he died November 23, 1917. He was a republican, was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and was a member of the Congregational Church. Frank A. Wilmot married Anna L. Brewster, who was born at Cleveland in 1847, and died at Chardon, January 23, 1907. She was a direct descendant of Elder William Brewster, who came over in the Mayflower. Of her five children Charles Austin is the oldest. Arthur Brewster operates the home farm at Chardon, Walter A. is a merchant at Huntsburg in Geauga County. Frank Ellis is a clerk at Collinwood, in Cuyahoga County. Henry is locomotive engineer with the Baltimore & Ohio Railway, living at Painesville, Ohio.

Charles Austin Wilmot was four years of age when his parents returned to Geauga County and settled on the farm at Chardon. He attended public schools there, and is a graduate of the Chardon High School with the class of 1893. He shared in the labors of the farm while attending school, and he began the study of law in the offices of Metcalf and King at Chardon, and in 1900 graduated from the law department of Ohio State University at Columbus. In December of the same year he was admitted to the bar, and since then he has attended to a general civil and criminal practice. He also specializes in land titles and abstracts. His offices are in the Chardon Savings Bank Building, and he is a stockholder in the Chardon Savings Bank Company and the First National Bank.



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He also has a farm of fifty acres at Hampden, and has an interest in the old homestead at Chardon.

Within the line of his profession Mr. Wilmot has rendered some important public service. For eight years he was a justice of the peace, and from 1916 to 1920 held the office of prosecuting attorney of Geauga County. Again, during 1922-23, he acted as assistant prosecuting attorney. He is a republican, and while a member of the Christian Church at present affiliates with the Congregational Church. Fraternally his connections are with Chardon Lodge No. 93, Free and Accepted Masons; Chardon Chapter No. 106, Royal Arch Masons, is post chancellor commander of Chardon Lodge No. 731, Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Chardon Kiwanis Club. During the World war he was Government appeal agent for Geauga County, and assisted to the extent of his means and abilities in all the local campaigns, being a member of the Speaker's Bureau.

On September 12, 1906, at Chardon, he married Miss Mabel L. Shaw, daughter of Lesley and Ellen (Randall) Shaw, both deceased. Mrs. Wilmot is a graduate of the Burkey and Dyke Business College at Cleveland. They have one son, King Austin, born August 21, 1908, now a student in the Chardon High School.

Hon. George T. Watts has made a record of loyal and constructive service as a member of the House of Representatives of the Ohio Legislature, in which body he is representative of Ashtabula County. Prior to his election to the Legislature he had given yeoman service in connection with the Ohio State Grange and in a private way he has made his influence felt in sucessful farm enterprise, and he has ever remained signally appreciative of the manifold advantages and attractions of his native state, the fine old Buckeye commonwealth.

Mr. Watts was born at Perry, Lake County, Ohio, September 5, 1859, and is a son of Newton I. and Lois (Thompson) Watts, the former of whom was born at Chardon, Geauga County, this state, and the latter was born at Perry, Lake County, where she died in 1865, when her only child, George T., of this review, was about six years of age. Newton I. Watts later married Miss Louisa Thompson, a sister of his first wife, and she likewise died at Perry, no children having been born of this second marriage.

Newton I. Watts was a child at the time of the family removal to Perry Township, Lake County, where he was reared to manhood and where he passed the remainder of his life, he having been one of the substantial farmers of that county for many years and having been one of the venerable and honored citizens of the county at the time of his death, in 1910. He was a stalwart, advocate of the principles of the republican party, was influential in community affairs, and served a number of years as trustee of Perry Township. He was a zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which both his first and his second wives likewise held membership. In the Civil war period he served as a member of the Home Guard, with rank of orderly sergeant. He was in service 100 days, on Johnson's Island in Lake Erie, where many Confederate prisoners were confined, and at Camp Dennison, near Cincinnati. He was a son of George and Lois (Dimmick) Watts, the former a native of New Hampshire and the latter of Connecticut. Upon coming to Ohio George Watts first resided at Shalersville, Portage County, and later at Chardon, Geauga County, whence he finally removed to Perry Township, Lake County, where he became a successful farmer and where he and his wife continued to reside until their death.

In a little red schoolhouse in his native township George T. Watts acquired his early education, this training being coincident with his initiation into the work of the home farm. He thereafter advanced his education by three years of attendance in Grand River Institute at Austinburg. He continued to be associated in the management of the old homestead farm until he had attained to the age of thirty-three years, and he then came to Ashtabula County, and assumed the management of his own farm, two and one-half miles east of Geneva. There he continued his vigorous activities as one of the progressive agriculturists and stock-growers of this county until 1912, since which year he has maintained his residence at Geneva. Here he is the owner of his attractive home property at 150 East Main Street, and as he here has five acres of fine land he finds it unnecessary to divorce himself entirely from productive enterprise in connection with Mother Earth, his gardening operations affording him both satisfaction and recreation. Mr. Watts was for ten years a valued member of the Executive Committee of the Ohio State Grange, and during seven years of this period did most effective work as state business agent of this Grange. Unequivocal and undeviating has been his allegiance to the republican party, and he has given yeoman service in behalf of its cause. He was for six years trustee of Geneva Township, was a member of the Geneva Board of Education four years, and in November, 1919, he was elected a representative of Ashtabula County in the Lower House of the Ohio Legislature, the estimate placed upon his service being shown in his reelection in 1921. He was a sincere and constructive worker in the Legislative sessions of 1920 and 1922, during the latter of which he was chairman of the fees and salary committee and a member of the committees on agriculture and insurance. He was specially zealous in advancing legislation for the benefit of the farmers of the state, and he was a staunch advocate of the ice cream bill and the bee inspection bill, both of which were enacted. He introduced and effectively championed to enactment the bill providing for more thorough protection against the inroads of the insect pest known as the corn-borer, which is an undesirable immigrant from Europe.

Mr. Watts is actively identified with the Geneva Chamber of Commerce, and in their home city he and his wife are earnest and influential members of the Church of the Disciples, in which he is serving as an elder.

At Austinburg, Ashtabula County, in December, 1887, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Watts and Miss Grace Craft, who was born and reared in this county and who is a daughter of the late Ira and Melvina (Vaughn) Craft, the father having been one of the prosperous farmers in Denmark Township, this county, for many years prior to his death. Mr. and Mrs. Watts have no children.

Leander Ferguson Cain, M. D. Few men have more useful points of contact with the world of affairs about them than Doctor Cain of Caldwell. For many years he has carried on a large practice as a physician and surgeon. He has served in the Ohio Legislature, has been a teacher, property owner and business man, and has been generous of time and means to promote every worthy project.

Doctor Cain was born in Noble County, Ohio, on a farm, July 21, 1856. His father, James Cain, son of a Noble County pioneer who came from Ireland, was born in Noble County, was engaged in teaching many years and subsequently in merchandising and farming. He died at the age of seventy-one. He was always active in democratic politics, well read, served as justice of the peace twenty-four years, and was a member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife was Rosanna Racey, who died at the age of sixty-six.

Leander Ferguson Cain was one of a family of

ten children, being eighth in order of birth. He was reared in a good home, but beyond the common schools had to make his own way and get his own higher education. He taught school, pursued a literary course in the Ohio State University, read law and taught school for a time, and also studied in Indiana University at Bloomington. After his marriage he continued work in various lines and completed his professional education in the Medical School of the University of Kentucky, where he was graduated in 1887. Doctor Cain practiced in Indiana and later in Ohio, and has been a resident of Caldwell since 1898. He engaged in active practice there until 1907, and from 1907 to 1911 was in Washington, D. C., as president of the Drillery Business College. He then returned to Caldwell and has since engaged in practice in this city.

Doctor Cain represented Noble County in the Seventy-fifth General Assembly of Ohio in 1901. During that session of the Legislature he was one of the authors of tax reduction measure known as the Cain-Dow law. He again represented the county in the Eighty-second General Assembly in 1917, and on this occasion was responsible for the increase of the maximum workmen's compensation from $3,000 to $5,000. For a number of years he has frequently been heard throughout Southern Ohio as a speaker on the good roads subject, and that has been his main hobby in public affairs. He is a leader in the republican party, is a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Noble County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and fraternally is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, Noble Lodge No. 459, Free and Accepted Masons; Cumberland Chapter No. 116, Royal Arch Masons; and Olive Lodge No. 259, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. One form of recreation in which he delights is a hunting trip in the West.

Doctor Cain and his sons also own a large farm near Caldwell. On the land have been constructed two artificial lakes, one covering six acres and the other two acres, and they have developed the place as the Pine Lakes resort. The lakes are fed by underground springs, and are stocked with bass and other fish. The facilities include a high class modern hotel, dancing pavilion, skating rink, boating and fishing facilities, free camping space and filling stations. The resort is located on a paved road three and one-half miles south of Caldwell, on the Marietta-Cleveland highways.

Doctor Cain has served as a member of the county executive, county central and state central committees of the republican party, and is a member of the Christian Church. He married Quintella J. Wiley, now deceased. He has three living children. The son, Durward C., his active associate in the Pine Lakes resort, has a record of service in both the Cuban and Philippine wars, being with the Seventh and later with the Ninth United States Infantry. For eight years he was Ohio state accountant, and during the World war, with the rank of first lieutenant, he served as accountant in the Secretary of War office at Washington, and had duties that required visits to all the army camps in the United States. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and his home is at Columbus. He is married and has two children, Fred Ferguson and Jean Josephine. The second son of Doctor Cain is Claude Walter, a graduate of the Ohio Dental College and also of Northwestern University Dental Department in Chicago. During the World war he was a first lieutenant in the Quartermaster's Corps, and is now in the automobile business at Muskogee, Oklahoma. He has one son, Claude W., Jr. The only daughter of Doctor Cain is Josephine B., who was a teacher for several years, and during the World war became a clerk and stenographer in the War Department and since has remained in Washington as a clerk in the Department of Agriculture.

Hon. Harry K. Brainard is giving characteristically effective service as judge of the Police Court in the City of Ashtabula.

Judge Brainard was born at Trumbull, Ashtabula County, on the 12th of August, 1876, and in that same community his father, Albert H. Brainard was born in the year 1842, his death having occurred at Rock Creek, this county, March 15, 1917. The name of the Brainard family has been worthily linked with civic and industrial affairs of Ashtabula County since the pioneer days, and has here been constructively represented by three successive generations. Albert H. Brainard was reared and educated in Trumbull Township, this county, and he became one of the substantial business men of his native county, where he operated a cheese factory for a number of years, besides having been a successful saw-mill operator. He removed to Rock Creek, in 1889 and later he removed to Ashtabula, where for many years he was engaged in the grocery business. On his retirement from active business he removed to Rock Creek, and there passed the remainder of his life. He was a republican of unqualified loyalty, and he served a number of years as clerk of Trumbull Township. He was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Grand Army of the Republic, he having enlisted in defense of the Union in 1861, within a short time after the inception of the Civil war, and having served during virtually the entire period of conflict, the history of his Ohio regiment constituting the record of his gallant military career. His wife, whose maiden name was Araminda Searles, was born in Madison, Lake County, Ohio, in 1847, and she survived her husband only a few months, her death having occurred December 15, 1917. Of the children the eldest is the wife of Charles S. Wiles, a locomotive engineer, and they reside at Sharon, Pennsylvania; Clyde died at the age of four and Paul, at the age of two years; Harry K., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; and M. Gladys is the wife of G. Owen Hollenbaugh, superintendent of the McKinney Steel Works at Lakewood, Ohio.

The public schools of Rock Creek, and Ashtabula Harbor gave to Judge Harry K. Brainard his early education, and he was graduated from the Ashtabula Harbor High School as a member of the class of 1893. For seven years thereafter he was a member of the reportorial staff of the Ashtabula Beacon, then one of the leading newspapers at Ashtabula. He then became assistant postmaster in that city, and of this position he continued the incumbent until 1909, in September of which year he entered upon his administration as county recorder, an office in which he served two terms, of two years each.

In 1913 Judge Brainard turned his attention to the buying and selling of real estate, and with this important line of enterprise he has since continued his association. In March, 1921, he was appointed police judge at Ashtabula, to fill out the unexpired term of Judge Don V. Parker, and in the autumn of the same year he was regularly elected to this office, his term in which will expire December 31, 1925. His executive offices are in the city hall, and his business offices are established in the Ashtabula National Bank Building. The Judge is secretary and treasurer of the Northwestern Finance Company of Ashtabula and also of the Water Front Properities Company.

The political adherency of Judge Brainard is with the republican party, and he and his wife hold membership in the First Presbyterian Church in their home city. He is past exalted ruler of Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; is

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past chancellor of Unity Lodge No. 133, Knights of Pythias; and is affiliated also with Ashtabula Lodge No. 547, Loyal Order of Moose.

In June, 1902, was solemnized the marriage of Judge Brainard and Miss Ethel Cline, daughter of Capt. Sidney A. and Jennie (Alexander) Cline, whose home is at 42 Walnut Street in the City of Ashtabula. Captain Cline formerly served as captain of vessels on the Great Lakes, and is now in the employ of the Ashtabula Dock Company. Mrs. Brainard, like her husband, was graduated from the high school at Ashtabula Harbor. Dorothy, elder of the two children of Judge and Mrs. Brainard, was graduated from the Ashtabula High School as a member of the class of 1922. She remains at the parental home and is a popular figure in the social activities of Ashtabula. Sidney A., the younger of the two children, is, in 1923, a student in the Junior High School at Ashtabula.

Walter E. Putnam has proved his ability and resourcefulness in connection with newspaper enterprise in his native county of Ashtabula, where he is editor and manager of the Conneaut News-Herald, published in the City of Conneaut and having a representative circulation not only in Ashtabula County but also in Erie County, Pennsylvania, Conneaut being near the border line between these two counties.

Walter Edward Putnam was born at Conneaut, February 14, 1886, and in a direct way, as well as through the medium of the paper of which he is the editor, he is a loyal and effective exponent of the interests of his native county and home city. He is a son of Charles Sumner Putnam and Laura E. (Stone) Putnam, the former of whom was born near Stockton, Chautauqua County, New York, in 1859, and the latter of whom passed her entire life in Ashtabula County, Ohio, her birth having occurred on a farm near Conneaut in 1863, and her death having occurred in the City of Conneaut on the 29th of December, 1918.

Charles Sumner Putnam, a direct descendant of the Revolutionary patriot Israel Putnam, was reared in his native county in the old Empire State, and after receiving the discipline of the common schools he advanced his education by attending a well ordered academy or finishing school at Jamestown, New York. He was a young man when he came to Conneaut, Ohio, where his marriage was solemnized and where he still maintains his home. Here he was for a number of years connected with the old Conneaut Reporter, which was at that time one of the leading newspapers of Ashtabula County, and later he was editor and publisher of the Geneva Free Press, at Geneva, this county, where he was thus engaged several years. He then returned to Conneaut, and after here being for a number of years the publisher of the Conneaut Reporter, he then made a radical change of vocation by here engaging in the retail furniture business. From 1900 to 1912 Mr. Putnam was retained by the State Tax Commission of Ohio in the position of special railroad auditor, and since his retirement from this service he has been again associated with the printing and newspaper business. He is treasurer and auditor of the Conneaut Printing Company, which published the Conneaut News-Herald, of which his son Walter E. is editor. He has given yeoman service in the ranks of the republican party, and his fraternal affiliations at Conneaut are with Evergreen Lodge No. 222, Free and Accepted Masons, and Conneaut Lodge No. 256, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Of the children Walter E., of this sketch, is the younger, and the elder is Eppie M., whose husband, Karl List, is manager of the H. B. Kurtz jewelry store at Conneaut.

The public schools of Conneaut engrossed a due share of the attention of Walter E. Putnam during the period of his boyhood and earlier youth, and after his graduation from high school, as a member of the class of '03, he became a reporter for the Conneaut Evening News, with which he continued his alliance until 1907, when his father effected its consolidation with the Conneaut Post-Herald and gave to the combination the title of the Conneaut News-Herald. With this influential paper Walter E. Putnam has continuously been associated since that time. In 1909 he acquired a financial interest in the News-Herald, of which he has since continued the editor and general manager, besides being secretary of the Conneaut Printing Company. The Post-Herald was the outgrowth of the old Conneaut Reporter, and thus the present paper represents the coalition of three papers that have been of special prominence in the local journalistic field. The News-Herald, a daily paper of really metropolitan appearance and functions, wields much influence as a sponsor of the community interests in general and as an advocate of the principles and policies of the republican party, to which its editor given unequivocal allegiance. The Conneaut Printing Company, by which this paper is published, owns the News-Herald Building, at 180-182 Broad Street, Conneaut, and the equipment in both the newspaper and job departments is of the best modern type.

Mr. Putnam is a loyal and vital member of the Conneaut Chamber of Commerce; is secretary of the local Rotary Club at the time of this writing, in the autumn of 1923; is affiliated with Conneaut Lodge No. 256, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; with the Associated Press, in the interests of the paper of which he is editor; is a stockholder in the Conneaut Mutual Loan & Trust Company and the Citizens Banking & Trust Company, besides having interests in numerous other business and industrial corporations. In addition to his attractive home property, at 219 Mill Street, Conneaut, he owns several pleasant summer cottages on the shore of Lake Erie.

October 28, 1919, recorded the marriage of Mr. Putnam and Mrs. Charlotte (Bartlett) Laughlin, whose father, Ellery C. Bartlett, now resides at Brooklyn, New York, as a manufacturers' agent in the wholesale leather trade. His wife, who was Ida E. Hassell, is deceased. Mrs. Putnam received excellent educational advantages, including those of a leading finishing school in New York City. She is a direct descendant of Mr. Joseph Bartlett, who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. She is a popular factor in the representative social and cultural circles of Conneaut, and the gracious chatelaine of one of the hospitable homes of this city.

Cassius Oakland Dye. Representative of one of the oldest pioneer families of Southeastern Ohio, Judge Dye has been a member of the Noble County bar thirty years, has had an unusually busy, eventful and serviceable career.

He was born November 28, 1866, on a farm in what was then Morgan County and now Noble County. His grandfather, Ezekiel Dye, was one of the earliest settlers in Noble County, coming from Pennsylvania in 1804 and entering a tract of Government land. He had a record of service in the War of the Revolution. Furman Dye, father of Judge Dye, was born at Renrock, Noble County, in 1820. He studied medicine, though he never practiced, and devoted his active life to farming and politics. He was a very eloquent speaker. His death occurred in 1904. His wife, Lucy McElroy, was born in Ohio.

Cassius O. Dye as a boy on the farm looked forward to a professional career as an attorney. After completing his education in public schools he taught in country districts for eight years. In the mean-

time he studied law privately, and since 1892 has been a resident of Caldwell, where after being admitted to the bar in 1893 he began practice. His abilities brought him early recognition, and he has always had an extensive general practice. In 1895 he was elected mayor of Caldwell, was again elected to that office in 1899, and in 1913 he went on the bench of the Probate Court, giving a careful and systematic administration of the probate office for eight years. On retiring in 1921 he again resumed his general law practice. Before going on the bench he was one of the original incorporators of the Citizens National Bank. He is now attorney for the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Caldwell.

Few men make so much out of a hobby as Judge Dye. He is one of the prominent men in poultry circles in Ohio, and has developed a flock of Rhode Island Red chickens, many of which he has exhibited in the poultry shows of the state and has carried off many trophies. He is a member of the executive committee of the Ohio Poultry Breeders Association. During the war period he acted as chairman of the Red Cross and the Young Men's Christian Association drives, and was also active in the Liberty Loan campaigns. He is a democrat, is past chancellor commander of Caldwell Lodge No. 280, Knights of Pythias, and has been district deputy grand chancellor.

Judge Dye married in 1888 Florence Thorla. They have four children: Valeria is the wife of Vincent Ferguson, of Cambridge, Ohio. Dorothy is the wife of Harry Cooper, of Woodsfield, Ohio. Donald, who was in training as a soldier in Camp Taylor, Louisville, is now with the Miller Tire and Rubber Company at Akron. Muriel is the wife of E. C. Jordan, of Caldwell.

Earle W. Hamblin, B. S., an able educator whose professional loyalty and enthusiasm have been expressed in constructive service, has the distinction of being principal of the oldest endowed academy in the State of Ohio, the Grand River Institute, at Austinburg, Ashtabula County. He has been the academic and executive head of this historic institution since the year 1908, and his administration has been marked by loyal adherence to the splendid traditions of the school and by the progressive policies that make for efficient service in all departments. A general review of the history of Grand River Institute more consistently finds place in the chapter of this publication devoted to educational matters, but in the present connection may be entered brief quotation from the latest catalogue issued by the old and popular school.

"Grand River Institute is the oldest endowed academy in Ohio. Its charter was granted February 22, 1831. It grew out of the needs of the Western Reserve ninety years ago. It had its beginning in a select school taught in a cooper shop in 1830-31 by Lucius M. Austin. The movement, however, received its main impulse in the great revival of that winter, and the school was established as 'A manual labor school to educate worthy young men for the Gospel ministry,' and was called 'The Ashtabula County School of Science and Industry,' In 1836 a number of young men, with a teacher named Amos Dresser, came from Oberlin, and the school received a new impetus. During the same year it was re-endowed, by Jacob Austin, and the manual labor idea was abandoned, the while the name of the school was changed to Grand River Institute. In 1840 ladies were admitted to the advantages of the institute on the same terms as gentlemen. The original building, now the Gymnasium, was built soon after the founding of the school. In 1883 the third building was erected, for chapel, recitation and society rooms. Early in 1915 the new Boys' Dormitory was completed. It is the gift of the alumni and other friends of the school, and is known as Alumni Hall. A ladies' hall was built in 1858 to take the place of one which had burned the year before. This hall was destroyed by lightning April 1, 1917. A much more elegant and commodious structure was occupied in January, 1918.

"The Institute is located at Austinburg, a pleasant town in Ashtabula County, Ohio, seven miles south of Lake Erie, on the Pennsylvania lines. Its buildings stand in the midst of the eight-acre park, which affords abundant shade and also room for recreation and sports of all kinds. Grand River Institute aims to be a fitting school of the first grade. It has the reputation of maintaining a severe standard of scholarship, earned by more than three-quarters of a century of progressive work, in which it has sent hundreds of students to the various American colleges, and has had a total enrollment of more than 10,000. * * * There are few schools of its class that have graduated so many men and women who have taken prominent and useful positions in life. One of the best things about the Institute is that it is a school for all the people. It aims to be and is a school for the average wide-awake American.* * * While the school is strictly one for college fitting, still it recognizes that many are unable to attend college, and for such it offers a wide range of courses, affording excellent opportunities for culture and preparation for active life. * * * The thoroughness and genuineness of our work have secured recognition from our best institutions of learning, and our graduates, by special arrangement, are now received without examination by any American college."

Earle W. Hamblin is a scion of a family that was founded in America in the early Colonial period of our national history, the first representatives having come from England, on the ship "Hopewell," in 1621, and having settled at Plymouth, Massachusetts. Professor Hamblin of this review is a grandson of David C. and Elsie (Davis) Hamblin. David C. Hamblin was born and reared in the State of New York, and came to Perry, Lake County, Ohio, about the year 1863, he having become one of the prosperous farmers in that locality and having there passed the remainder of his life. Elsie Davis became his first wife. His second wife likewise passed away, and for his third wife he wedded Nancy Chappell.

The present principal of Grand River Institute was born in Perry Township, Lake County, Ohio, December 24, 1869, and is a son of Darius D. and Olive (Rowland) Hamblin, the former of whom was born at Youngsville, Warren County, Pennsylvania, July 2, 1837, and the latter of whom was born at Perry, Lake County, Ohio, in 1842, her death having there occurred in the year 1906, and her husband having there passed away June 30, 1919. Darius D. Hamblin was reared and educated in the old Keystone State, and came to Lake County, Ohio, shortly after the close of the Civil war, in which he had served as a gallant young soldier of the Union during the last two years of the conflict, he having been a member of the Two Hundred and Eleventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. Mr. Hamblin became a successful farmer in Lake County, Ohio, was a staunch republican, was affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and both he and his wife were zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Of the children, Professor Hamblin of this sketch is the eldest; Ray died at the age of five years; Elbert is a sucessful fruit-farmer near Perry, Lake County.

The public schools at Perry afforded Earle W. Hamblin his preliminary education, and in 1896 he was graduated from Mount Union College at Alliance, Ohio, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. At that college he became affiliated with the Sigma Nu fraternity. After his graduation he was for one

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year teacher of mathematics in West Farmington Seminary, and thereafter he gave four years of effective service as principal of the centralized school at Troy, Geauga County. He then became superintendent of the centralized school at Kingsville, Ashtabula County, where he remained six years. His character and achievement that led to his being called to his present important office, that of principal of Grand River Institute, and his administration has been fruitful in advancing the standard of service and promoting the general success of this old and admirable school. In politics Professor Hamblin is to be classified as an independent republican, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Congregational Church of Austinburg, in which he is a deacon. At Madison, Lake County, he is affiliated with Madison Lodge No. 307, Free and Accepted Masons; at Geneva, Ashtabula County, with Geneva Chapter No. 147, Royal Arch Masons; at Painesville, with Painesville Council No. 104, Royal and Select Masters; and at Perry, with Diamond Lodge No. 792, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is actively identified with the National Educational Association, the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the Northeastern Ohio Teachers' Association. He is the owner of a valuable fruit farm of forty acres one mile northeast of Perry, Lake County.

December 28, 1898, recorded the marriage of Professor Hamblin and Miss Jessie Richards, daughter of John and Mary (Hayes) Richards, the father having been a leading merchant at Carrollton, Ohio, at the time of his death and the widowed mother being still a resident of that place. Mrs. Hamblin received excellent educational advantages, including those of Scio College, at Scio, Harrison County. Professor and Mrs. Hamblin have one daughter, Marjorie, who is now (1924) a student in Lake Erie College at Painesville, Ohio.

Ben E. Hotchkiss, the present sheriff of Geauga County, has long been known as a man who gets results from any undertaking, and has been successfully identified with the farming and business affairs of his community since early manhood.

Mr. Hotchkiss was born at Burton, in Geauga County, January 21, 1871, and is descended from one of two brothers who came from England and located in Connecticut in Colonial times. His grandfather, William Frederick Hotchkiss, was born at Cheshire, Connecticut, and married a native girl of the same town, Hannah Gaylord. While in Connecticut he followed the sea as a sailor, and was also a farmer. In 1837 he and his family started for Ohio, traveling in wagons overland and located at Burton, where he and his wife spent the rest of their days. He owned a large amount of land there and developed much of it for farming purposes. Their son, Henry Hotchkiss, was born at Cheshire, Connecticut, March 10, 1831, and was six years of age when he accompanied the family on their long journey to Ohio. He lived in the community of Burton from 1837 until his death eighty-five years later, May 24, 1923. His life was remarkably long and included many experiences. He farmed on an extensive scale, was a breeder and raiser of thoroughbred cattle and sheep, and he was one of the first six men to volunteer as soldiers from his county in the Civil war. For two years he was in nearly all the battles fought by his regiment, the One Hundred and Forty-first Ohio Infantry. He was a member of Company B, and participated in the battles of Shiloh and Gettysburg. For a short time before his death he enjoyed the distinction of being the oldest living Odd Fellow in Ohio. He was always a staunch republican and an active supporter of the Congregational Church. Henry Hotchkiss married Sarah A. Connant, who was born at Troy in Geauga County, and died at Burton at the venerable age of eighty-four years. They had three children. Clarence A., the oldest is a florist owning and operating greenhouses at Cuyahoga Falls. The second son, Harry P., became a farmer, and died at Burton when forty-four years of age.

Ben E. Hotchkiss, the youngest son, grew up on the farm, and attended the public schools at Burton until he was seventeen. Then, after a year or so of farm work, at the age of nineteen he went to Cleveland and worked for the Standard Oil Company in that city, two years. After returning home he helped operate the old farm, and at the age of twenty-two began farming for himself at Burton, and was actively identified with the agricultural enterprise of that vicinity for nearly thirty years. He retired from the farm in 1922, but still owns a place of ninety-one acres of valuable land.

Since 1903 Mr. Hotchkiss has also been an auctioneer, and has cried sales all over this section of the state. In the line of public service he was a member of the Burton School Board twenty years, a member of the Geauga School Board from 1915 to 1921, and his present office as sheriff of the county was conferred upon him by popular election in November, 1922. He entered upon his duties in January, 1923, for a term of two years. His offices are in the County Jail at Chardon.

Mr. Hotchkiss is a republican, affiliated with Geauga Lodge No. 171, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Burton, his father's old Lodge, and also Chardon Lodge No. 731, Knights of Pythias. He is a member of the Chardon Kiwanis Club, and was one of the working citizens of Geauga County who insured the success of the Liberty Loan and other drives during the World war.

On February 22, 1893, Mr. Hotchkiss married at Chardon Miss Tina Herendeen, daughter of Monroe and Lucinda (Layman) Herendeen, now deceased. Her father was a carpenter and builder. Mr. and Mrs. Hotchkiss have three children: Ralph H., who operates his father's farm at Burton; Paul M., who lives with his parents and is also a farm worker; and Millie R., a teacher in the third grade of the public schools at Chardon.

Stanley Henry Kinzer, county treasurer of Butler County, was born in that section of Ohio, and both in business and in politics has become one of the important men of influence in the county.

He was born at Seven Mile, Butler County, February 15, 1885, son of Henry and Rachael (Winkler) Kinzer. His father for many years was in the shoe business at Seven Mile, but is now retired. Stanley Henry Kinzer is a graduate of the Hamilton High School, took a business course, and soon afterward entered the brokerage business, and for a time was in Southern California acting as assistant manager of the Colina Lumber Company at Los Angeles. On returning to Hamilton he was manager of the Brown Cigar Store for a time, and then went on the road as a traveling salesman.

Mr. Kinzer was elected county treasurer of Butler County in 1922 by a majority of over 500. He has the distinction of being the first republican to occupy the county office in a period of forty-three years. Butler County was formerly one of the most reliable democratic strongholds in Ohio, and while still nominally democratic, the republican party has been mounting in strength rapidly and the odds are now about equal. Mr. Kinzer has been one of the leaders of the republicans to have brought about this desirable change. Before his successful race for the county treasuryship he had previously been a candidate of his party for city treasurer and county recorder.

Mr. Kinzer is a Mason, a member of the United Commercial Travelers, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Pythias, Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, Loyal Order of Moose, International Credit Men's Association and the Chi Sigma Chi college fraternity. He married, June 20, 1917, Miss Lillian Fisher, daughter of Joe and Katie (Von Burg) Fisher. She finished her education in the Hamilton High School, and is a talented musician and much interested in outdoor sports and athletics. She is one of the leading members of the Hamilton Young Woman's Christian Association, and is a member of the Woman's City Club and the League of Ohio Woman's Voters.

Mr. Kinzer is a lover of good dogs, and at his private kennel he has a number of registered Airedales of which he feels justly proud.

THOMAS B. WYMAN, who is city manager of Painesville, was born in Lake County, Ohio, but the qualifications that led to his selection as the administrative head of the city government at Painesville were based primarily upon his known experience and ability in engineering, particularly through his work as a forestry expert and engineer.

Mr. Wyman was born in Perry, Lake County, July 14, 1880. His grandfather, Don Wyman, was a native of Vermont, a descendant of Colonial settlers in New England, and as a young man came to Perry, Ohio, who married there and spent the rest of his life as a farmer. He married Mary Tisdel, who was born at Madison, Ohio, and died at the family homestead at Perry. Lloyd Wyman, father of Thomas B., was born at Perry, February 16, 1842, was reared and married there, and was an early graduate in law from the University of Michigan. As a practicing lawyer he lived for several years at Salem, Nebraska, and in 1895 settled at Painesville, where he carried on a general law practice until 1913. Following that he was in the insurance business and since 1921 has lived reared. He held township offices while living at Perry, and his politics has always been republican. Lloyd Wyman married Mary Elizabeth Tisdel, who was born in Madison, Lake County, March 26, 1845. They had a family of six children. Vaughn E. is in the abstract and real estate business at Painesville. Bayard operates a bonding business at Washington, D. C. Grace E. has for over twenty years been a teacher in the public schools of Painesville. The son Guy is in the real estate business at Painesville, and Thomas B. is the fifth in age. Charles, a regular army officer, with home at Los Angeles, California, graduated from the West Point Military Academy in 1907, and has won promotions to the rank and grade of lieutenant-colonel in the army. He is a veteran of the World war, having been overseas two years with the Ninety-first Division as lieutenant-colonel in the signal corps, and was in the engagements and offensives of St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, Chatteau-Thierry and others, and for a year after the armistice was stationed at Coblenz, Germany.

Thomas B. Wyman found his early training in the public schools of Perry and also at Painesville, graduating from the high school of the latter city in 1898. For a time he was connected with a hotel at Connellsville, Pennsylvania, but in 1900 entered Ohio State University at Columbus, spending one year with his studies there. He was then receiving teller in the Pioneer Trust Company at Painesville until 1903, when he entered the Biltmore Forest School at Biltmore, North Carolina, graduating in the winter of 1904 with the degree Bachelor of Forestry and Forest Engineer. Mr. Wyman for a number of years lived in Northern Michigan, spending one year as forester for the Cleveland Cliffs Iron Company at Negaunee, and performing a similar service for the same corporation at Munising, Michigan, until 1911. In that year he became secretary forester of the Northern Forest Protective Association, with a large amount of administrative detail and responsibility. He held that post until the winter of 1920, when he returned to Painesville to accept the appointment tendered by the City Council as city manager.

As city manager Mr. Wyman has had the technical supervision of an extensive program of improvements, including the rebuilding of the municipal utilities of light, gas and water plants, all of which are now in a thorough state of efficiency. He also supervised the construction of storm and sanitary sewers and grade separation. His offices are in the City Hall.

During his residence at Munising, Michigan, he was supervisor of Grand Island Township several years, and for one term president of the village. He is an independent republican, and is very active in local and municipal affairs through his membership in the Chamber of Commerce at Painesville and the Kiwanis Club. While in Northern Michigan he organized and conducted Wyman's School of Woods, having personal supervision over it from 1909 to 1919. As high as fifty pupils were enrolled in this school, training for forestry and kindred subjects. He is still president of the school. Mr. Wyman during the World war was an enlisting officer for the Forest Regiment.

He owns one of the good homes at Painesville, at 116 Lusard Street. He married at Negaunee, Michigan, December 17, 1907, Miss Lillian Penglase, daughter of William and Ann (Allan) Penglase, now deceased. Her father was a mining captain at Negaunee. Mrs. Wyman, who finished her education in the Marquette Normal College, at Marquette, Michigan, was a teacher for five years in the public schools of Negaunee, until her marriage. The two children born to them are Max Allan, born December 6, 1911, and Don Lloyd, born September 4, 1916.

JAMES MIX JOHNSTON is a business man of Geauga County who has been successfully identified with three lines of endeavor, farming, banking and the lumber industry. He is proprietor of the leading lumber business in the county, and has a large plant at Chardon, carrying all supplies for building purposes and also operating a planing mill.

Mr. Johnston was born at Chester, in Geauga County, June 26, 1863. He is of New England ancestry. His great-grandfather, Walter Johnston, a native of Connecticut, came to Ohio and established a home in Trumbull County, where a village grew up named Johnston in his honor. He served as a colonel in the State Militia. His son, Heman D. Johnston, was also a native of Connecticut, and from Trumbull County moved to Chester and engaged in farming there. He was quite active in building up the Free Will Baptist School at Chester, later known as Geauga Seminary. Heman D. Johnston married Louisa F. Miller, who was born at New Lyme, in Ashtabula County, and died at Chester. They had two sons, Walter Johnston and James Mix Johnston. Walter Johnston was the father of the Chardon lumber merchant. James Mix Johnston, his uncle, was born at Johnston in Trumbull County, and as a boy lived at Chester. He was a graduate of Oberlin College, became superintendent of schools at Orwell, Ohio, and died while visiting at the home of his brother Walter in Chester, while on his way to enlist in the Civil war. He married Adelia A. Field, a native of Chester, who for thirty years served as preceptress of women at Oberlin College. She died at Oberlin.

Walter Johnston was born at Johnston in Trumbull County, in 1836, and was reared there and at Chester, where he was successfully engaged in farming for a number of years. When he retired he removed

to Chardon, where he died in 1907. He was a republican, being trustee of Chester Township and member of the School Board, and was elected but declined to serve as justice of the peace. From early manhood he had an interesting part in the work of the Congregational Church, and also sought in every way to be useful in a public capacity. He was a member of the Patrons of Husbandry or Grange. Walter Johnston married Lydia Hale Rust, who was born at Chester in 1837, and died there in 1889. They had three children: Elgie, who died in infancy; James Mix; and Nettie, wife of Mahlon K. Parsons, farm owner and lumber mill operator at West Hampton, Massachusetts.

James Mix Johnston was reared on his father's farm at Chester, attended public schools there and finished his education in Oberlin College. After that he returned home and was identified with the operation of the homestead farm until he was forty-two years of age. Mr. Johnston in 1905 became teller in the Chardon Savings Bank Company, was promoted to assistant cashier and cashier, and only resigned the latter office in 1916.

He entered the lumber business by purchasing an interest in the F. P. Sarles retail lumber yards, and later in the same year became sole proprietor. He conducted the business as the Chardon Lumber Company, selling lumber at retail and conducting a planing mill for the manufacture of interior woodwork and finish. The offices, yard and mill are located on Water Street. In 1922 Mr. Johnston introduced a cooperative feature into his business, a plan that has been received with much favor by his patrons. Under this plan all purchases of material amounting to twenty-five dollars or more, during the year, share with the proprietor in the net profits of the business half and half after deducting eight per cent on the investment at the beginning of the year.

The fine home occupied by Mr. Johnston and family in Chardon is at 306 South Street. He is a republican, served two years as assessor of Chester, is a member of the Chardon Congregational Church, and is affilliated with Chardon Lodge No. 213, Knights of Pythias, and Chardon Kiwanis Club. He married at Chester, December 11, 1889, Miss Mary S. Littlejohns, daughter of William and Susan (Collacott) Littlejohns. Her parents are now deceased. Both of them were born in England, went from there to Canada, and from Canada came to Chester, Ohio. Her father was regarded as one of the most skillful and progressive farmers of that community. Mrs. Johnston finished her education in Hiram College at Hiram, Ohio. They have one son, Paul W., a graduate of the Illinois School for Opticians and now practicing as an optician at Akron, Ohio.

John R. Patterson, a prominent educator, did his first teaching in a rural district in Eastern Ohio, and as teacher and as principal has made a splendid record, so that he ranks among the leading school men of the state.

He was born near St. Clairsville, Belmont County, Ohio, January 15, 1886, son of John and Laura (Coss) Patterson, natives of the same locality, where they married and devoted their active lives to farming. John R. Patterson had the training and environment of a farm boy, attended rural schools, and subsequently graduated from Bridgeport High School. After leaving high school he spent four years as teacher in rural districts. He then became principal of the South School at Martins Ferry, Ohio, and from there came to Crawford County as principal of the high school at New Washington. He was identified with that school for two years. In the meantime he was attending summer sessions at the University of Wooster, and in that way he completed half of his college work. In the fall of 1912 he entered Wooster University in the Junior Class, and remained in residence until graduating in June, 1914, with the Bachelor of Philosophy degree *Cum Laude*. While in university he was also instructor of physics and algebra in Wooster Academy. After graduating Mr. Patterson was superintendent of schools at Amherst and Xenia, Ohio, and in August, 1919, was called to Bucyrus as superintendent of city schools. In August, 1924, he resigned at Bucyrus to accept a similar position at Athens, Ohio, the seat of Ohio University.

Mr. Patterson married Miss Bertha Bunker, a native of Portage County, Ohio. They were summer students together at Wooster University. Their one son, James E., born August 15, 1910, is now attending Bucyrus High School. The family are members of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Patterson is affiliated with Stonington Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Amherst, Bucyrus Chapter Royal Arch Masons, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a charter member of the Rotary Club and in politics is a democrat. He is a member of the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the National Educational Association.

Edward William Edwards, prominent Cincinnati manufacturer, was born in that city May 1, 1874, son of Walter Raleigh and Ellen (Bryan) Edwards. He has been identified with iron and steel manufacturing for over thirty years. In 1901 he founded the Edwards Manufacturing Company, makers of iron and steel products, and subsequently purchased Scott & Company of Cincinnati, the Cannonsburg Steel & Iron Company, the Kinnear Manufacturing Company, and is now president of these and other organizations. He is also a director of the Columbia Gas & Electric Company and the Union Trust Company, is president of the Cincinnati Rapid Transit Commission, which is building the subway for Cincinnati, having been head of this commission since it was organized in 1918. He was a member of the Officers' Examining Board in 1917-18, is a republican, was president of the Cincinnati Commercial Club, and the Business Men's Club, and is a man with varied interests and tastes. He is well known as a collector of pictures.

Herbert Kenning, M. D. A physician and surgeon of many years' experience and practice, Doctor Kenning is present health commissioner of Lake County at Painesville, and was engaged in private practice for a quarter of a century at Willoughby.

He was born at Elmira, Ontario, Canada, May 8, 1862. His father, Robert Kenning, born in County Down, Ireland, in 1809, was reared in that country, was married there, and accompanied by his wife and their first two children came to America and settled in Canada, at Elmira, Ontario. He followed farming there on an extensive scale for many years, and after 1882 lived retired at Kitchner, Ontario, where he died in 1887. He was a liberal in politics and a staunch Presbyterian. His wife, Margaret Walker, was born in County Down, Ireland, in 1814, and died at Norwich, Ontario, in 1892. They had a large family of sixteen children, three of whom died in infancy. A brief record of the others is as follows: James, who became a blacksmith and died in Kansas at the age of sixty-five; Agnes, who died at Elmira, Ontario, aged seventy-five; Robert, a blacksmith, who died in Ohio at the age of forty-five; Richard, who became a veterinarian and died at Pembroke, Ontario, aged seventy-three; Margaret, who died when seventy years old, at Hamilton, Ontario; Matilda, who reached the age of seventy-five and passed away at Manchester, Ontario; Thomas, a physician and surgeon at Detroit,

Michigan; Maria, wife of William J. Knowles, a hardware merchant at Buffalo, New York; Ewen, who became a veterinarian, and died of typhoid fever in Kansas at the age of thirty-five years; David, a twin brother of Ewen, who was a mechanic and died at Windsor, Ontario, aged forty-five; Alfred, who was a hotel clerk at Detroit when he died at the age of sixty-two; Herbert, the twelfth and next to the youngest of the children who grew up; and Miss Martha, a resident of Cleveland.

Dr. Herbert Kenning spent his boyhood days on his father's farm near Elmira, Canada, where he attended the public schools, and he also attended high school at Kitchner. He was only fourteen when he began an apprenticeship as clerk in a drug store at Kitchner. He served three years at a salary of $225 for the entire period. With this training he clerked for a short time in a drug store at Toronto, and at the age of seventeen, in 1880, went to Detroit, and for two years was in a drug store in that city. For a year he was a nurse in the Marine Hospital at Detroit, and he finished his professional education in the Detroit College of Medicine, where he graduated Doctor of Medicine with the class of '86. He earned his way through medical college by working in the summers in drug stores. Doctor Kenning began the practice of medicine in 1886 with his brother Thomas at Detroit, remaining there a little over a year, and for two years was at Plymouth, Michigan. In 1896 he located at Willoughby in Lake County, Ohio. Doctor Kenning remained there engaged in a heavy routine of general practice until 1920, when, in February, he moved to Painesville to begin his term as health commissioner of Lake County. His offices are in the courthouse, and he is a thoroughly well qualified man for the duties of this position. He is a member of the Lake County and the Ohio State Medical societies.

Doctor Kenning is a director in the First National Bank of Willoughby, and owns a home there and other real estate in Cleveland. He is a republican in politics, is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church, and is active in the Masonic fraternity, being a past master of Willoughby Lodge No. 302, Free and Accepted Masons, past king of Painesville Chapter No. 46, Royal Arch Masons, a member of Painesville Council No. 4, Royal and Select Masters, is past commander of Eagle Commandery No. 29, Knights Templar, and a member of Lake Erie Consistory, Valley of Cleveland, and Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland. He also belongs to the Knights of Malta at Willoughby, and the Willoughby Chamber of Commerce. During the World war he volunteered his professional services, but was rejected on account of physical disability.

On June 15, 1898, at Willoughby, Doctor Kenning married Miss Gertrude Alice Sherman, daughter of Dr. Joel L. and Mary (Beckwith) Sherman. Her father is a retired dentist and her parents are now living retired at Cassadaga, Florida. Mrs. Kenning is a graduate of the Willoughby High School. They have one child, Gyneth Maxine, a student in Western Reserve University.

Van Newhall Marsh, M. D. Former city health commissioner of Painesville, Doctor Newhall Marsh was graduated from medical college and began practice nearly a quarter of a century ago, and has achieved a well deserved reputation for his skill in both medicine and surgery.

Doctor Marsh was born in the City of Chicago, Illinois, January 14, 1876. His grandfather, Madison Marsh, was also a physician. Born in New York State, he lived in Indiana for a number of years and practiced medicine there. He was also interested in politics, and was elected and served as a member of the Indiana State Senate. Before the Civil war he moved to Louisiana, and when the war came on he served all through the struggle as a surgeon in the Confederate army. He died in Louisiana His son, Tamerlane Pliny Marsh, was a scholar, educator, and one of the ablest men in the Methodist ministry for many years. He made his mark in the State of Ohio, where for ten years he served as president of Mount Union College at Alliance. He was born in Indiana, in 1848, was reared there, and was a graduate with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Wesleyan University at Middletown, Connecticut. He subsequently graduated from the Drew Theological Seminary in New Jersey, and during his active career the honorary degrees Doctor of Divinity and Bachelor of Laws were bestowed upon him. As a minister of the Methodist Church he filled a number of prominent pastorates in and around Chicago. At one time he was pastor of a Methodist Church in Evanston, Illinois, was pastor of the Wabash Avenue Church in Chicago, and also filled the pastorate at Rockford, Illinois. From 1888 to 1898 he was at Alliance in his duties as president of Mount Union College, and subsequently lived retired there until his death in 1905. He served on the Union side in the Civil war, while his father was with the South. He became a clerk in the quartermaster's department, and before the end of the war was chief clerk of the quartermaster's department in Washington. He always voted as a republican, and was a member of the Masonic fraternity. The late Dr. T. P. Marsh married Harriet Newhall, who was born at Lynn, Massachusetts, in 1851, and now lives at Painesville, Ohio. She was the mother of four children: Harriet P., wife of Thomas T. Thoburn, a minister of the Methodist Church at Pittsburgh; Winifred, wife of Emmett W. Morton, a teacher in the high school at Painesville; Van Newhall; and Marion, wife of William I. Randall, a mechanical engineer living at Parlin, New Jersey.

Dr. Van Newhall Marsh was educated in public schools in Chicago and Evanston, Illinois, and was twelve years of age when his father moved to Alliance, Ohio. He finished his preparatory course in Mount Union College in 1892, and was graduated with the degree Bachelor of Philosophy from Mount Union College in 1896. He then attended Western Reserve University Medical School at Cleveland for two years, and spent one year in the New York University and the Bellevue Hospital at New York, receiving his Doctor of Medicine degree with the class of '99. While he completed the course and received his degree after three years' study, he complied with the law requiring four years' residence study in medical school, and during his fourth year attended the Cleveland College of Physicians and Surgeons, doing review work in post-graduate study and in 1900 again received the Doctor of Medicine degree. He is a member of the Alpha Tau Omega college fraternity.

After graduating in 1900 Doctor Marsh practiced for fourteen years at Flushing, Ohio. He gave up his work there and spent two years in the Northwest, in Montana and Washington, for recuperation, and in 1916 located at Painesville, where his work has been in both medicine and surgery. He served four years as president of the Painesville Board of Health, and in 1923 began his duties as city health commissioner. He is a member of the Lake County, Ohio State and American Medical associations. During the World war he was a member of the Medical Volunteer Relief Corps.

Doctor Marsh owns a modern home at 562 Manor Avenue at Painesville, and offices at 145 Park Place. He served six years as a member of the City Council of Flushing, and was on the school board there four years. He is a republican, is a member of the Painesville Methodist Episcopal Church, and Temple Lodge No. 28, Free and Accepted Masons, at Painesville.

Louis Grim

He married at Flushing, Ohio, in 1899, Miss Anna Hobson, daughter of Doctor John A. and Martha (Branson) Hobson, now deceased. Her father was a physician and surgeon. Mrs. Marsh finished her education in Mount Union College at Alliance. Five children were born to the marriage of Doctor and Mrs. Marsh, Margaret, the oldest, graduated Bachelor of Arts from the Woman's College of Western Reserve University of Cleveland, and is now connected with the Cleveland Public Library. Miss Virginia is a student in the Nurses' Educational Training Course of Western Reserve University and Lakeside Hospital of Cleveland, being now in her third year of the five-year course. The younger children are: John, who has completed his first year in Cornell University at Ithaca; Thomas P., a student in the public schools of Painesville; and Elizabeth.

Clarence T. Mehaffey, secretary of the Lake County Savings and Loan Company at Painesville, has been in the abstract business there for twenty years, and is also president of the Mehaffey Abstract Company.

He was born at Perry, in Lake County, May 16, 1884. He represents the fourth generation of the Mehaffey family in America. His great-grandfather, Joseph Mehaffey, was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, came to the United States about 1800, and settled in Western Pennsylvania. He was a shoemaker by trade. He died at Washington in Southwestern Pennsylvania. He was an active member of the Methodist Church, and after acquiring American citizenship voted as a democrat. His wife, Jane Patterson, was also born in County Tyrone, and likewise died at Washington, Pennsylvania. Their son, Alexander Mehaffey, who was born at Washington, Pennsylvania, in 1806, learned the cabinetmaker's trade, and lived for many years at Erie, Pennsylvania. In 1862 he moved to Painesville, Ohio, bought a farm, and lived there until his death in February, 1882. His wife, Elizabeth Thompson, was born at Scarborough in Yorkshire, England, in 1829, and died at Painesville June 29, 1878.

Charles T. Mehaffey, father of Clarence T., was born at Erie, Pennsylvania, March 13, 1862, and was an infant when his parents moved to Painesville. He was reared and married there, and for a period of thirty-eight years has been connected with Storrs, Harrison & Company. The company does the largest general nursery business in the United States. He is an independent in politics. Charles T. Mehaffey married Lucy A. Stanhope, who was born at Painesville, March 3, 1861. Of their three children Clarence T. is the oldest; Howard A., living at home, is in the nursery business, and Harriet L. is also at home.

Clarence T. Mehaffey attended the public schools of Painesville, graduating from high school in 1903. Soon after leaving school he engaged in the abstract business, and The Mehaffey Abstract Company, of which he is president, was organized by him and his associates in the business. Since April, 1918, he has also been secretary of the Lake County Savings and Loan Company.

Mr. Mehaffey served eight years as clerk of Painesville Township. He is treasurer of the First Baptist Church of Painesville, is a member of the Lake County Chamber of Commerce, and is treasurer and a trustee of the Painesville Young Men's Christian Association. In politics he follows the example of his father and is an independent.

Mr. Mehaffey's home is at 118 Gillett Street in Painesville. He married, June 29, 1910, Miss Mary C. Tuttle, daughter of Judge Grandison Newell and Elizabeth (Wilder) Tuttle, now deceased. Her father was a well known man in the law and public affairs of Northern Ohio, and at one time was probate judge of Lake County.

The Griesmer-Grim Company. Nowhere does the divine quality of human service count for more than at the burial of a loved one, and those who render such careful attention earn and hold the regard and gratitude of the community in which they are located. The people of Hamilton, Ohio, have proven in numerous instances that the Griesmer-Grim Company, funeral directors, are prepared to make each case a particular one, and every detail important. They have a beautiful home, modern in every particular, that is placed at the convenience of their patrons without cost. This reliable company was incorporated with a capital of $18,000, and its officials are: Louis Grim, president; and Paul A. Sick, secretary and treasurer. So admirably are the affairs managed that this is the leading concern of its kind in Hamilton, and one of the most important in Butler county.

Louis Grim was born at Cincinnati, Ohio, December 18, 1849, and began his career as a funeral director at Ripley, Ohio, in 1866, and for the succeeding forty years continued his business there. Coming then to Hamilton, he established his present company in 1906, and is a member of th State Undertakers' Association, which he served as president. He has been very active in the work of the association, and took a prominent part to secure the state board of examiners for embalmers. His own license is No. 23 A. Mr. Grim was graduated from the Cincinnati School of Embalming in 1882, and is an expert in his profession. His company was the first to install motor ambulances and motor hearses in Butler County, and he is equally progressive in other matters, keping his equipment up-to-date in every particular. Always a delegate to the state and national conventions of his profession, he is active in all of their councils. He has a beautiful brick funeral home of ten rooms, and carries a full line of funeral accessories. His motor equipment is of the finest and best obtainable. Mr. Grim is a member of the State and of the National Funeral Directors' Association. Fraternally he belongs to the Masonic Order, in which he has been advanced through the chapter; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. In church matters he affiliates with Bethel Church. For several terms prior to coming to Hamilton he was a member of the Ripley City Council.

On May 22, 1876, Mr. Grim married Miss Emma Stamm, who died May 24, 1920, having borne her husband two children: Albert J., who was associated with his father in business until a few years ago when failing health necessitated his retirement; and Bessie, who married George H. Long, of Kansas City, Missouri.

Paul A. Sick was born in Europe about twenty-eight years ago. He, too, is a graduate of the Cincinnati College of Embalming, and is licensed by the State of Ohio. About eleven years ago he formed connections with his present company, and has risen in it to his present position. His religious connections are with Emanuel Lutheran Church, of which he is a member.

Paul E. Blacet has been a resident of Painesville for a third of a century, and is treasurer and general manager of the Educational Supply Company. This is a printing and school supply house, in some respects the largest of its kind in the country.

Mr. Blacet was born in Clinton County, in Southern Illinois, November 20, 1863. His father, Theodore Blacet, born in Picardy, France, in 1826, was reared there and as a young man came to the United States and joined a large colony of French and Swiss people in Madison County. Soon afterward he moved

over the county line into Clinton County, Illinois. He was a farmer there, and died May 10, 1870. After becoming an American citizen he voted as a republican. His wife, Florentine Genre, was born in France, in 1842, and died near Denver, Colorado, September 2, 1912. She was the mother of three children: Ernest, who died when fifteen months old; Paul E.; and Emma, wife of Philemon Chartrand, a hardware merchant at Denver, Colorado.

Paul E. Blacet spent the first twelve years of his life on his father's farm in Clinton County, Illinois. He was only seven years old when his father died. He had a limited school education there, and for several years worked on farms in the neighborhood. When he was eighteen years of age he went out to McPherson County, Kansas, and for ten years was in the service of the Missouri Pacific Railway Company, advancing himself to the position of section foreman. Following that came employment in a grocery store at Newton, Kansas, and in 1897 he went to Winfield, that state, and for two years was an advertising solicitor for the Winfield Tribune.

Mr. Blacet became a resident of Painesville, Ohio, in 1899. He joined the force of the Lake County Herald as an advertising and job printing solicitor, continuing with that establishment until 1906. In that year, upon the organization of the Educational Supply Company, he became a salesman, and has been a forceful factor in the development and growth of the business ever since. He was made treasurer of the company in 1912, and in 1916 was given the general management, holding both offices at the present time. The company does a general line of printing, copper plate and steel die engraving, and handles an immense volume of school supplies. The company owns its offices and plants on South State Street, and has a working force of about 100 hands.

Mr. Blacet has identified himself with other institutions in Painesville, being moderator of the Painesville Baptist Church, superintendent of its Sunday school, and is a member of the Lake County Chamber of Commerce and the Painesville Camp of the Modern Woodmen of America. He owns a good home on Gillett Street.

Mr. Blacet married at Newton, Kansas, October 16, 1884, Miss Anna M. Stevens, daughter of Thomas and Maria Stevens, now deceased. Her father was a farmer at Newton, Kansas. Mr. Blacet lost his wife by death on July 7, 1918. There were three children: Ernest D., a photographer with the Central Steel Company of Massillon, Ohio; Duke N. A., a metallurgist at Massillon and a graduate of the Painesville High School; Miss Helen E., at home.

Robert G. Goff, postmaster of Painesville, has been long and favorably known in business and civic affairs in Lake County. Part of his early life was spent on the Great Lakes as a sailor and in the fishing industry.

Mr. Goff was born at Cleveland, Ohio, January 13, 1861. His father, James P. Goff, born in County Wexford, Ireland, in 1839, was reared there, and at the age of eighteen came to the United States. After a brief residence in Ontario, Canada, he came to Cleveland. He began his career there as a bookkeeper, subsequently for a year was in the retail lumber business, and was then made city inspector of lumber for the City of Cleveland. He performed the duties of this position until 1871, when he went to Caseville, Huron County, Michigan, as general foreman and lumber inspector for Frank Crawford, one of the great lumbermen of his generation. He was identified with the Crawford lumber interests in Michigan for over forty years, finally returning to Ohio and locating at Painesville in 1915, and lived there retired until his death in 1918. He was a republican in politics. His wife, Catherine Martin, was born at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1842, and died in that city in 1868. She was the mother of two sons, Robert G. and James. The latter was a farmer at Caseville, Michigan, where he died at the age of twenty-eight years.

Robert G. Goff was about ten years of age when his father moved to Michigan. In the meantime he had attended public schools in Cleveland, and later attended the Caseville public schools, graduating from the Caseville Academy in 1880. Then followed seven years of experience as a sailor on the Great Lakes, and for three years he was in the service of J. W. Averill at Cleveland, a firm engaged in the wholesale fresh and salt fish catching and shipping. For five years in the service of the same firm, he had his headquarters at Richmond, in Lake County, following which he engaged in business for himself with headquarters at Richmond, catching and shipping fish from Lake Erie. He was in that business three years, and gave it up to enter the service of the Baltimore and Ohio Railway Company, spending four years in the accounting department and for sixteen years was chief clerk in the motive power department at Painesville. He finally resigned from the railroad company August 7, 1923, and, having been appointed postmaster, took charge of the office on August 8, 1923.

Mr. Goff has been a member of the Republican Central Committee of Lake County for many years, and is now secretary of the executive committee of the county. He is a member of the Painesville Episcopal Church. For many years he has been prominently identified with the various Masonic bodies at Painesville, serving twelve years as secretary of Temple Lodge No. 28, Free and Accepted Masons, twelve years as secretary of Painesville Chapter No. 46, Royal Arch Masons, has been recorder of Painesville Council No. 104, Royal and Select Masters, since it was instituted in 1910, and for the past four years has been recorder of Eagle Commandery No. 29, Knights Templar. He is also secretary of the Lake County Masonic Building Company, Incorporated, at Painesville. Mr. Goff is a member of the Lake County Chamber of Commerce. His home is at 209 Wood Street. He was active in all the war campaigns for the sale of Liberty Bonds and raising of funds for auxiliary war purposes.

In 1881, at Cleveland, he married Miss Jessie V. Shappee, daughter of Henry and Melissa (Davenport) Shappee, now deceased. Her father was a carpenter and contractor. Mr. and Mrs. Goff have five children: Henry W., the oldest, is a machinist at Berea, Ohio; Jessie V. is a teacher in the West Technical Junior High School at Cleveland; Ellen married John McCloskey, an electrician at Cleveland; Mary is educational secretary at the Episcopal Cathedral at Cleveland; George R., the youngest child, now an automobile salesman at Cleveland, is a veteran of the World war, having served as second lieutenant of the commissary department for one year.

Harry T. Nolan, who was born and reared at Painesville, has for over twenty years conducted a dignified and successful practice as an attorney there, and is one of the leaders in the Lake County bar.

He was born at Painesville, May 20, 1880. His father, Owen E. Nolan, who died at Painesville October 17, 1914, was born in 1848 in County Wexford, Ireland, and at the age of eighteen came to the United States, locating in Lake County, Ohio. He brought with him a practical experience gained by work in a nursery in Ireland, and for a number of years he was connected in the nursery business in Northeastern Ohio. Later he specialized on his own account in the growing of onions and other market produce. He subsequently removed to Painesville,

Frank W. Clements

and was an honored resident of that city over thirty years. He served several terms on the City Council, was a democrat, and a member of the Catholic Church. Owen E. Nolan married Mary Brennan, who was born in County Wexford, Ireland, in 1849, and died at Painesville June 21, 1916. They had a family of four children: Miss Catherine, who died at Painesville at the age of thirty-four; Eugene J., a factory worker in Cleveland; Harry T.; and John J., who died in infancy.

Harry T. Nolan attended parochial schools in Painesville, graduated from the high school in 1899, and then entered the law department of Western Reserve University of Cleveland, where he finished his work with the class of 1902. On June 11, 1902, he was admitted to the bar, and steadily has devoted his talents and energies to a general law practice at Painesville. His offices are in the Cleveland Trust Company's Building on Main Street. In addition to his private practice he was prosecuting attorney of Lake County in 1913-14, and still earlier served as mayor of Painesville from 1905 to 1909. He is a democrat, is a member of Saint Mary's Catholic Church, and is a past grand knight of Painesville Council No. 947, Knights of Columbus. He also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and to the American Bar Association. He has acquired considerable real estate in his home city, including his own home on East Erie Street.

He married at Painesville, June 1, 1909, Miss Lillian Procter, who was born at Fairport in Lake County, and is a graduate of the Painesville High School. They have had three children, Mary, Thomas and Rita. The two oldest are students in the grammar schools of Painesville.

EGBERT H. PHELPS, postmaster of the Village of Andover, Ashtabula County, is a native son of this county and a representative, in the third generation, of one of its sterling pioneer families. His paternal grandfather, Harlow Phelps, was born and reared in New England, where the original representatives of the name settled in the Colonial era of American history. Harlow Phelps made the long overland trip from New England to Ohio by the medium of wagon and ox team, and he became one of the pioneer settlers in Cherry Valley Township, Ashtabula County, where he reclaimed and developed a productive farm and where he continued his residence many years. He finally removed to Kent County, Michigan, and settled on a farm near Grandville, where he passed the remainder of his life, his wife having died while making a visit to the old home in the Cheery Valley district of Ashtabula County, Ohio, and her family name having been Powers.

Orville M. Phelps, father of the postmaster of Andover, Ohio, was born on the old homestead farm in Cherry Valley Township, Ashtabula County, in the year 1839, and there he passed his entire life, save for one year of residence in Michigan. He became one of the successful and representative farmers of his native county, was called upon to serve in various township offices, and was retained in such public service in his community during a long term of years, his political allegiance having been given to the republican party. Mr. Phelps served as a loyal young soldier of the Union during the closing year of the Civil war, in which he was a member of Company D, One Hundred and Seventy-seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was one of the venerable native sons still residing in Ashtabula County at the time of his death, in 1905. His wife, whose maiden name was Flora Sweet, was born in Cherry Valley Township, on the 19th of September, 1843, and there her death occurred in 1897. Of the two surviving children the subject of this sketch, Egbert H., is the elder, and Millie L. is the wife of Lyle E. Gray, their home being at Canton, Ohio, where Mr. Gray is a draughtsman in the offices of the American Bridge Company.

After attending the public schools of Cherry Valley and also the New Lyme Academy, at New Lyme, Ashtabula County, Egbert H. Phelps entered the National Normal University at Ada, Ohio, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1896 and with the degree of Graduate in Pharmacy. His initial experience of practical order had been in connection with the operations of the old home farm in Cherry Valley Township, where his birth occurred on the 20th of February, 1871. After his graduation as a pharmacist he was employed one year in a drug store at Jefferson, the judicial center of his native county, and he then resumed his active association with farm enterprises in Cherry Valley, where he and his sister inherited the two farms of their father. Egbert H. Phelps purchased additional land in his native township, and there continued to devote his attention to productive farm enterprise until 1902, when he became a mail carrier on a rural route from the postoffice at Andover. In this service he continued thirteen years. On the 1st of April, 1921, he was appointed postmaster at Andover, where he has since maintained his residence and continued the the efficient and popular incumbent of this office. Mr. Phelps is a stalwart in the local ranks of the republican party, and prior to assuming his present office he had given five years of effective service as township clerk of Cherry Valley Township. He is an active member of the Andover Chamber of Commerce and the Andover Grange.

August 31, 1899, recorded the marriage of Mr. Phelps and Miss Anna Bella Creesy, who likewise was born and reared in Cherry Valley Township, where her father was a substantial farmer. She is a daughter of Lyman T. and Elizabeth Creesy, both of whom are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Phelps have three children: Creesah is the wife of Edward F. Roach, a progressive young farmer in Cherry Valley Township; Frieda E. is (1923) a student in Oberlin College, and Orville is a student in the Andover High School.

FRANK W. CLEMENTS. Son of a secret service operator of the Federal Government, Frank W. Clements, the present chief of police of the City of Hamilton, has himself had a long experience as a criminal investigator and detective.

Mr. Clements was born in Butler County, Ohio, November 24, 1872, son of John W. and Lavanda Clements. His father for eight years was one of the managers of the Ohio State Prison. After that he went east and for several years was in charge of the New York City Secret Service, and spent the rest of his active life as an investigator in the Internal Revenue Bureau of the Federal Government.

Frank W. Clements was educated in the public schools of Butler County, and during 1901-02 was a student in the Technical Institute of Cincinnati. In the meantime he had been a clerical worker for several years, and he first joined the Hamilton police department in a clerical capacity. However, he filled practically every office on the force during his service from 1895 to 1904. When he resigned in 1904 he engaged in business with Charles F. Bosch, the outgoing mayor, and they were actively associated until 1910.

However, police work to Mr. Clements constituted a fascination beyond all the substantial rewards of a commercial career, and accordingly he took up secret service and investigating work attached to the prosecuting attorney's office. He continued in that special capacity for twelve years, and in March, 1923, was

given the honor of appointment as chief of police of the City of Hamilton.

During his long service with the police department and the office of prosecuting attorney he ferreted out many perplexing crimes and brought many criminals to justice. Of such cases the one that attracted greatest attention all over the country was the Wardlow poisoning case. After more than twelve months of careful work on the part of Mr. Clements, Belle Wardlow, the wife of the murdered man, and Harvey Cowdrey were arrested, tried and convicted of having poisoned her husband, and both are now serving life sentences in the state prison.

Mr. Clements married Miss Carrie Young, of Hamilton, daughter of Charles and Lena Young. They have one child, a son, now a student in the Hamilton public schools.

Edward S. Sawyer, now a resident of Mentor and manager of the Mentor branch of the Lake County Savings and Loan Company of Painesville, was born in this historic community of Northeastern Ohio, but he spent a quarter of a century of his active career in the West, engaged in cattle ranching and other lines of business.

Mr. Sawyer was born at Mentor, July 12, 1859, and comes of old English and Colonial ancestry, the family having located in Connecticut. His grandfather, Joseph Sawyer, was born in Massachusetts, moved to New York State and there lived for some years, and arrived at Mentor, Ohio, about 1808. He acquired some valuable holdings of land, and followed farming during his active life. He died at Mentor. His wife, Rhoda Tolles, was born in Connecticut. Their son, Almon Sawyer, was born at Mentor in 1821, and devoted all his years to farming in that community, where he died April 23, 1873. He was a republican, and in religious belief was a Universalist. His wife, Lucinda Blish, was born in Painesville Township of Lake County in 1823 and died at Mentor in May, 1869. They had four children. Zenas Blish became a physician and surgeon, and was practicing at Willoughby, Ohio, when he was accidentally killed by a train in 1921. The second child, Mary Lucinda, died when two years old. Willard A., now a resident of Mentor, was formerly associated with his brother in the cattle industry in Utah.

Edward S. Sawyer, the youngest child, was reared at Mentor, and was ten years of age when his mother died and fourteen when he was left an orphan. After attending the public schools of his home locality he finished his education with two years in Oberlin College, leaving there in 1878. After that he applied himself to farming at Mentor until 1882, when he went West. In Beaver County, Utah, he and his brother Willard owned and operated a cattle ranch for fifteen years, and after that Mr. Sawyer was a merchant in Milford, Utah, until 1907. After twenty-five years in the far West he returned to Mentor, and for a number of years was occupied chiefly with his private affairs and investments. In 1918 he helped organize and became an original stockholder in the Mentor branch of the Lake County Savings and Loan Company of Painesville, and has since acted as manager of that local institution.

Mr. Sawyer was mayor of Mentor for four years. He votes as a republican, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. During the World war period he was leader in his community in promoting the sale of bonds and raising funds for war purposes. He married at Akron, Ohio, October 20, 1881, Miss Inez V. Pardee, daughter of William and Helen (Dickey) Pardee, now deceased. Her father was a very prominent lawyer in Nebraska City, Nebraska, and died there. Mrs. Sawyer, who died January 15, 1918, was a graduate of Buchtel College of Akron.

William Barrett Cole. The Cole Nursery Company, Incorporated, of Painesville, Ohio, is a family corporation, the founder and active head of which is William Barrett Cole. This is one of the largest industries of its kind under individual ownership and control in the country, and the nurseries have supplied stock for the foundation of hundreds of orchards, vineyards and landscape gardens all over the East and Middle West.

William Barrett Cole, head of the business, was born in the Village of Colebrook, Ashtabula County, Ohio, March 23, 1864. His grandfather, Gilbert Cole, a native of New York State, was a pioneer at Colebrook, owning and operating a large farm there, and spent his last days in Illinois. He married Sallie Owen, also a native of New York State, who died at Colebrook. Their son, William Franklin Cole, was born at Colebrook, in 1840, and during his brief lifetime was engaged in farming there. He died in July, 1865, at the age of twenty-five. He was reared a whig and voted as a republican, and was an active supporter of the Baptist Church. William Franklin Cole married Addie Eliza Barrett, who was born at Highland in Oakland County, Michigan, in 1842. By their marriage were two children, Edith C., of Perry, Ohio, and William Barrett. The mother of these children subsequently married Luther R. Jayne, a nurseryman at Painesville. Both of them died in August, 1920. To their marriage were born the following children: Ethel Jayne, wife of Lewis T. Curtis, a grocery and meat market owner at Painesville; Alfred Jayne, engineer of the municipal waterworks of Painesville; and Forrest M., engineer in an ice plant at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

William Barrett Cole was an infant when his father died, and his education was acquired in the grade schools and high school at Geneva in Ashtabula County, and the high school at Corry, Pennsylvania, where he graduated in 1881. Soon afterward he became interested in the nursery business at Painesville, and in time became an independent operator and has kept the business growing through all subsequent years. He was the individual owner and head of the business until January, 1923, when he took his three oldest sons into the business as partners, giving his two other sons an interest, and since then the industry has been the Cole Nursery Company, Incorporated. The company has about 500 acres of land in use for nursery purposes, these farms being in the three townships of Painesville, Perry and Concord. The offices are on Mentor Avenue in Painesville.

Mr. Cole owns a fine brick residence, remodeled in 1923, on Mentor Avenue, and has three other dwelling houses in the city. He is an independent in politics, and is a member of the Lake County Chamber of Commerce and the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce.

In August, 1894, in Ashtabula County, he married Mrs. Mary (Stowe) Shepard. She was born in Ashtabula County, October 15, 1867, and died at Painesville November 10, 1917. To this marriage were born five sons, the three oldest active partners in the nursery business, and the two others still in school. They are: Gilbert Stowe, who took the engineering course in the Carnegie Institute of Technology at Pittsburgh; William Alfred, a graduate of the Austinburg High School in Ohio; David Barrett, who finished his education in Denison University at Granville, Ohio; Kenneth Roosevelt, a graduate in 1924 from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor; and Victor Arthur, a student in the public schools of Painesville. On February 21, 1921, at Painesville, Mr. Cole married Miss Frances Dann, a daughter of

E. L. Kent.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Dann, residents of Painesville. Her father is a minister of the Baptist Church.

Murray Newton Goodrich. A prominent young attorney of the Lake County bar, Murray Newton Goodrich has been in practice at Painesville for over five years, having taken up the work of his profession immediately after leaving the army service during the World war.

Mr. Goodrich was born at Chardon, in Geauga County, Ohio, December 13, 1893. He is of New England ancestry, the Goodriches having settled in Connecticut in Colonial times. His grandfather, Alonzo Goodrich, was born at Rocky Hill, Connecticut, in 1827, and married Electa Holmes, also a native of Connecticut and of Scotch descent. About 1870 they came west to Ohio, living four years on a farm at Montville in Geauga County, and after that in Chardon, where Alonzo Goodrich was in the real estate business. He died at Chardon in 1884. He was a democrat in politics. Wesley A. Goodrich, father of the Painesville attorney, was born March 16, 1854, at Rocky Hill, now a suburb of Hartford, Connecticut. He lived there and attended school during the first sixteen years of his life, accompanying his parents to Geauga County, Ohio, and for many years was engaged in the ice business at Chardon. From 1921 he lived retired in that Ohio town where he died February 22, 1924. He was a democrat in politics. Wesley A. Goodrich married Ella Collins, who was born in Chardon Township of Geauga County, December 21, 1854. The oldest of their children, Fred, was a teacher in public schools, and died at Chardon at the age of forty-one. Harley F. is engaged in business at Chardon. Clyde W., a dry goods merchant at Chardon, is a member of the firm of Goodrich Brothers, and he and his brother Harley also own the moving picture theater at Chardon. The fourth child, Lucile E., is the wife of Stuart N. Austin, present postmaster at Chardon.

Murray Newton Goodrich, the youngest child of his parents, was reared in Chardon, attending the grammar and high schools. After graduating from high school in 1912, he entered Adelbert College of Western Reserve University at Cleveland, pursuing the classical course and graduating Bachelor of Arts in 1916. He continued his studies in the law department of Western Reserve University, taking his Bachelor of Laws degree with the class of 1918. He is a member of the Sigma Nu literary fraternity and the Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity.

On May 28, 1918, Mr. Goodrich was inducted into the army service, and was sent for training to Camp Gordon, Georgia, with the infantry. He received a commission as second lieutenant in the Infantry Reserve Corps, and is still a reserve officer. He received his honorable discharge December 1, 1918. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1918, and after the close of the war he located at Painesville, and has built up a successful general, civil and criminal practice there. His offices are in the Masonic Building. In addition to his private practice he is solicitor of the Village of Fairport in Lake County, and is also attorney for the Lake County Humane Society.

Mr. Goodrich is a democrat, is affiliated with Chardon Lodge No. 93, Free and Accepted Masons; Painesville Chapter No. 46, Royal Arch Masons; Eagle Commandery No. 29 of the Knights Templar at Painesville, Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland, and Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite at Cleveland. He also belongs to Cornucopia Lodge No. 212, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Painesville, Painesville Lodge Knights of Pythias and Painesville Lodge No. 549, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Lake County Bar Association, the Painesville Athletic Club, and is owner of some very valuable real estate in Painesville and Lake County, including one of the finest residences in the county seat, at 1020 Mentor Avenue, this home being known as "The Old Oaks," and also a summer residence on the lake near Painesville. His town home is surrounded by approximately two acres of ground, and Mr. Goodrich finds one of his favorite diversions in keeping up this estate. On his suburban property he has a natural gas well, and his home has all the facilities of running water and electric lights, with double garage.

At Chardon March 2, 1918, he married Miss Beatrice L. Basquin, daughter of Ward A. and Varuna (Bliss) Basquin, residents of Chardon. Her father is the present county recorder of Geauga County.

Edward J. Kautz, of Hamilton, is a native of Southern Ohio and has gained distinction in the law and in local and state politics. His abilities have brought him opportunities of service both in general practice and on the bench.

He was born at Arnheim, in Brown County, April 23, 1881, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Bohrer) Kautz, natives of the same county. One representative of this family was Admiral Kautz, a rear admiral of the United States Navy, who died in 1907. He gained distinction in March, 1899, by commanding the Philadelphia, and taking a prominent part in settling the Samoan troubles in the Pacific. Samuel Kautz, father of Judge Kautz, was long prominent in Brown County, a farmer, tobacco dealer, and at one time county treasurer. He is the father of four children: William, Luella (who married Clarence W. Smith), Harvey and Edward J.

Edward J. Kautz attended public school at Georgetown, Ohio, completed a high school course there, was a student for a time in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and for three years a law student in the University of Michigan. Since his admission to the bar he has been engaged in general practice at Hamilton. In November, 1917, he was elected judge of the Municipal Court of Hamilton, an office he still fills. Judge Kautz is an eloquent orator and an able campaigner, and has taken part in a number of political campaigns. He has been a delegate to state democratic conventions. He used his influence effectively in behalf of the various causes for the successful prosecution of the late war. Fraternally he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Eagles, Moose and other organizations.

Judge Kautz in 1906 married Frances M. Theiss, daughter of Frank Theiss, of Georgetown. Her children are Samuel and Margaret.

C. Henry Simonds is one of the leading business men and loyal and public-spirited citizens of Conneaut, Ashtabula County, in which attractive little city he is senior member of the firm of Simonds & Bennett, which conducts a large and well equipped furniture store, besides which he is president of the Citizens Banking & Trust Company. His deep interest in all that concerns the welfare and advancement of Ashtabula County is not only a matter of appreciation but is characterized also by the loyalty of a native son. Mr. Simonds was born at Jefferson, this county, November 19, 1844, and is a son of Charles Stetson Simonds, who was born in Vermont, in 1815, and whose death occurred at Jefferson, Ohio, in 1891. Moses Simonds, grandfather of him whose name introduces this paragraph, likewise was a native of the old Green Mountain State, and was a representative of a family that was founded in New England in the Colonial era of our national history. Moses Simonds came with his wife and their young children to Ashtabula County, Ohio, in the pioneer days, instituted the development of a farm near

Saybrook, and there his death occurred a few years later, his wife, whose maiden name was Priscilla Cook, having likewise been born in Vermont, and having survived him a number of years, she having passed the closing period of her life at Saybrook, Ashtabula County. Charles S. Simonds became a successful exponent of pioneer farm industry in Ashtabula County, near Saybrook, whence he later removed to Jefferson, where his marriage was solemnized, and where he studied law in the office of the firm of Wade & Ranney. He was in due course admitted to the bar, and he became one of the successful and representative members of the bar of Ashtabula County, where he continued in the practice of his profession, at Jefferson, for many years. He was a leader in the local councils of the republican party, and was a man who ever commanded unqualified popular confidence and esteem. His wife, whose maiden name was Louise Warner, was born at Jefferson, this county, in 1822, and there her death occurred in 1898, a venerable representative of another of the sterling pioneer families of Ashtabula County. Of the five children, C. Henry, of this review, was the first born; Albert C. acquired a large orange ranch in Los Angeles County, California, and in the City of Los Angeles his death occurred May 3, 1922; Maria is the widow of Edward C. Wade, an able lawyer who died at Jefferson, Ashtabula County, and she now resides at West Chester, Pennsylvania; Adeline is the widow of Clinton C. Canfield, who was engaged in the wholesale drug business in the City of Cleveland and whose death occurred at Ravenna, this state, where his widow still resides; Amelia is the wife of Benjamin F. Beardsley, who is engaged in the insurance business in the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

In the public schools of Jefferson, C. Henry Simonds continued his studies until he had completed a course in the high school, and at the age of seventeen years he entered upon an apprenticeship to the tinner's trade at Geneva, this county, where he remained two years. He then moved to Ashtabula, where he followed his trade three years, at the expiration of which he returned to his native town of Jefferson. There he was engaged in the general merchandise business a number of years, and where he served two years as deputy county clerk. He was then elected county clerk, in which office he served nine years, 1879-88. Thereafter he showed his deep filial solicitude by caring for his father in the latter's final illness, which was prolonged.

In June, 1893, about two years after the death of his father, Mr. Simonds moved from Jefferson to Conneaut and here purchased an interest in a furniture store. The business was thereafter continued under the firm name of Putnam & Simonds until March, 1899, and the firm of Simonds & Bennett has since conducted the substantial and representative business, which, under the progressive policies of Mr. Simonds, now gives the firm precedence as conducting the leading furniture store in Conneaut. The large and modern building in which the business is carried on, at 221 Broad Street, was erected by Mr. Simonds in the year 1899, is owned by him, and here the furniture business of his firm has been continuously conducted since 1900. Mr. Simonds here owns also his attractive home place at 378 Liberty Street. He has been president of the Citizens Banking & Trust Company of Conneaut since 1919, and is a stockholder also in the Conneaut Leather Company and the News-Herald Publishing Company. He is a valued member of the Conneaut Chamber of Commerce and a staunch supporter of its progressive civic and business policies. He gave an effective administration as mayor of Conneaut during one term of two years, and for an equal period was a member of the City Council. In the Masonic fraternity he is a past master of Tuscan Lodge No. 342, Free and Accepted Masons, at Jefferson, his present ancient-craft affiliation, at Conneaut, being with the Evergreen Lodge No. 222. Here also he is a member of Conneaut Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Conneaut Council No. 40, Royal and Select Masters; and Cache Commandery, Knights Templar, of which he is a past commander. In the capitular branch of the York Rite he is a past high priest of Jefferson Chapter No. 141, Royal Arch Masons. In Lake Erie Consistory of the Valley of Cleveland he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he formerly held active membership in Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine in Cleveland. He is a member also of Conneaut Lodge No. 256, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

In February, 1915, at Conneaut, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Simonds and Miss Kathleen Willard, daughter of Frank and Miranda (Buss) Willard, the former of whom died in Western New York and the lattern of whom now resides at Conneaut. Mr. and Mrs. Simonds have no children. In politics he is a stalwart republican.

Hon. William Raymond Davis. A former school man, always interested in educational progress, a lawyer, banker and former legislator, Hon. William Raymond Davis has been one of the most conspicuously useful citizens of Geauga County for nearly twenty years.

William Raymond Davis was born at Edinburg, in Portage County, Ohio, June 6, 1877. His grandfather, William D. Davis, was born in Connecticut, in 1801, and as a young man came to Ohio and acquired and developed the farm that has since been known as the Davis homestead at Edinburg in Portage County. In connection with farming he also operated a tailor shop. He died at Edinburg in 1878. His wife was Rhoda Sheldon, who was born in Connecticut in 1803, and died at Edinburg, Ohio, August 13, 1894. Their son, Dexter D. Davis, was born and lived all his life in the same house at Edinburg. His birthday was September 23, 1844, and it was on the same day of the month, the twenty-third of September, seventy-nine years later that he passed away in 1923. Farming was the vocation he successfully pursued. For a number of years he was trustee of Edinburg Township, and was a democrat in politics. His wife, Frances E. Turner, was born in Columbiana County, Ohio, near Georgetown, December 6, 1846, and is now living with her daughter in Manhattan, Kansas. The oldest child is William Raymond, and the second son is Charles D., a mechanic living at Cleveland. Mayme T., the only daughter, is a graduate of Ohio State University and is the wife of Robert K. Nabours, a former member of the faculty of the University of Chicago and since 1912 professor of zoology at the Kansas Agricultural College at Manhattan. He has had much to do with the experiment to domesticate the caracal sheep in this country.

William Raymond Davis was reared at the old homestead in Portage County, attended the public schools there, and spent two terms in the Ohio Normal University, now the Ohio Northern University, at Ada. He finished his work there in the summer of 1895, and for one year after that taught school in Rootstown Township, Portage County. Entering Mount Union College at Alliance, he graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1900. At Mount Union he was an Alpha Tau Omega. Mr. Davis after graduating was for two years superintendent of schools at Windham, Ohio; three years superintendent at Aurora; and in 1905 came to Chardon, Geauga County, and for five years was superintendent of the city schools. He then went on the road as traveling salesman and lecturer, spending about two years. He had begun the study of law while in school work at Chardon, and during 1911-12 he was a student in

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the law department of Western Reserve University at Cleveland, and was admitted to the bar in June, 1912. Since then he has conducted a general civil and criminal practice in Chardon, his offices being in the Randall Block. Mr. Davis is also an abstractor, and is vice president and a director of the Chardon Savings Bank Company. He was elected a member of the General Assembly of Ohio, representing Geauga County in 1912-14, and did some especially valuable work in the Legislature through his study of and interest in educational and agricultural problems. He was a member of the taxation committee, the initiative and referendum committee, and also the committee on conservation of national resources.

Mr. Davis for the past five years has been president of the Chardon Village Board of Education, and for two years was president of the Geauga County Board of Education, and from 1905 to 1910 was county examiner of teachers in the county. He is an independent republican, a member of the First Congregational Church, and is affiliated with Chardon Lodge No. 93, Free and Accepted Masons; Chardon Lodge No. 731, Knights of Pythias; Chardon Lodge No. 213, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and belongs to the Kiwanis Club and to the Ohio State Bar Association.

He owns a fine home at 313 Water Street in Chardon, is a part owner of the old homestead at Edinburg, and has other real estate. During the World war he was on the Legal Advisory Board of Geauga County, was a member of the Speakers Bureau and exerted himself to the full measure of his means and ability to assist the government in that crisis.

On July 17, 1907, at Windsor, in Ashtabula County, Mr. Davis married Miss Jennie E. Turner, daughter of Warren C. and Carrie (Baird) Turner, residents of Windsor, where her father is a farmer and blacksmith. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have one daughter, Mary Frances, born July 3, 1917.

ETHEL D. BRYANT. For Miss Bryant not the least of journalistic handicap need be ascribed by reason of her sex, for she has proved her resourcefulness and exceptional journalistic and executive ability in her effective administration as editor of the Willoughby Republican, one of the representative newspapers in Lake County.

Miss Bryant was born at Mount Vernon, the judicial center of Knox County, Ohio, and is a daughter of Oscar F. and Marie Antoinette (Parmalee) Bryant, the former of whom was born in Center Mountville, Maine, and the latter of whom was born at Dresden, Muskingum County, Ohio.

Oscar F. Bryant is a son of Oliver F. Bryant, who was born at Searsmont, Maine, and whose death occurred at Mount Vernon, Ohio, in which latter state he passed the last twenty-three years of his life, he having been nearly seventy years of age at the time of his death, and his life vocation having been that of farm industry. Oliver F. Bryant was a son of Seth Bryant, who was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and who became an early settler in the State of Maine, where he passed the remainder of his life. Oscar F. Bryant was reared on the old home farm in the Pine Tree State, and received the advantages of the common schools of the locality and period. He was a young man when he made his way to Indiana, and when the Civil war was precipitated on the nation he promptly tendered his services in defense of the Union. He enlisted in the Fifth Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and continued in service during virtually the entire period of conflict, save the last ten months of the war, during which interval he was held a captive in the famed Andersonville Prison of the Confederacy. Mr. Bryant participated in many engagements, including a number of major battles, and lived up to the full tension of the conflict through which the integrity of the nation was perpetuated. His marriage was solemnized at Lafayette, Indiana, and thereafter he conducted for a number of years a cooper shop at Bellville, Richland County, Ohio. He later followed the same line of business at Mount Vernon and Ashland, and finally he moved with his family to the City of Cleveland, where he engaged in newspaper work and where he continued his activities along this line until 1915, when he removed to Willoughby. Here he is now living retired, and he and his daughter, Ethel D., here own and occupy an attractive homestead at 48 Euclid Avenue, besides having other local real estate holdings. The loved wife and mother died in the City of Cleveland when about sixty-five years of age. Oscar F. Bryant is a stalwart and resourceful advocate of the principles of the republican party, and in the City of Cleveland he maintains affiliation with Memorial Post No. 141, Grand Army of the Republic, through the medium of which organization he vitalizes his interest in and association with his old comrades in arms. Of the two children the subject of this review is the younger. Bert, the elder of the two, resides in East Cleveland, and is publisher of twelve different newspapers in Ohio, this notable publishing business being conducted under the corporate title of Bryant's Weeklies, and he being the executive head of the significantly prosperous journalistic enterprise.

Miss Ethel D. Bryant gained her early education in the public schools of Ashland and Cleveland, including the high school in the latter city. After her graduation from the Spencerian Business College in Cleveland she there became secretary and stenographer for the White Tool and Supply Company, and from 1911 to 1915 she was employed in connection with her brother's newspaper enterprise mentioned in the foregoing paragraph. In 1915 she and her father established their home at Willoughby, and here she has since held the position of editor of the Willoughby Republican, one of the well ordered and influential weekly newspapers of Lake County, the well equipped printing establishment and newspaper office of the Republican being at 1 West Spaulding Street. Miss Bryant makes the paper an effective exponent of community interests and also of the cause of the republican party, to which it is loyally committed. Miss Bryant herself is found staunchly arrayed in the camp of the republican party, and is known as one of the able and progressive business women of her native commonwealth. She is a stockholder in the First National Bank of Willoughby, is a member of the National Editorial Association, and her name appears also on the membership rolls of the Willoughby Chamber of Commerce, the Willoughby Woman's Club, the Ohio Newspaper Woman's Association, the Cleveland Writers' Club, the Woman's City Club of Cleveland and the Woman's Club of Cleveland.

WILLIAM SMITH CONKLIN is an engineer of technical education and broad experience, and is now serving as surveyor of Butler County.

He is a native of Butler County, born at Middletown August 30, 1887, son of William R. and Clara Dell (Robinson) Conklin. His father for many years was a leading building contractor at Middletown, but is now retired. William S. Conklin attended the grammar and high schools of Middletown, continued his higher education in Adrian College at Adrian, Michigan, and took the engineering course at Purdue University at LaFayette, Indiana.

His first employment in his profession was as field engineer for the American Rolling Mills of Middletown, Ohio. He held that position for two years, for six years was assistant city engineer for Middletown, and then for six years acted as assistant engineer for

the Miami Conservancy District. In 1922 he was elected surveyor of Butler County by a majority of 211 votes.

Mr. Conklin has the distinction of being the first republican ever elected county surveyor in Butler County. He carried eleven out of the thirteen townships in Butler County, every ward in his home town of Middletown, and one-third of the wards in the City of Hamilton. He is one of a group of young republicans whose work and influence has practically evened up the relative strength of the republican and democratic parties in Butler County, for many years one of the strongest democratic counties in the state. Mr. Conklin is a thirty-scond degree Scottish Rite Mason, a Knight Templar and Shriner, a member of the Knights of Pythias, the American Society of Engineers, and the Young Men's Christian Association. In the Methodist Protestant Church he is a member of the Church Finance Committee and president of the Young Men's Bible Class.

William Gillespie made a record of long, able and loyal service as a teacher in the public schools, held various executive positions in connection with educational work, and has made his influence count for good in all the relations of life, with the result that to him comes the fullest measure of popular confidence and good will. He is now serving as justice of the peace at Willoughby, Lake County, and in his administration is making the office justify its name.

Mr. Gillespie was born at Goshen, Clermont County, Ohio, on the 27th of January, 1854, and is a son of Jonathan and Mary (Gaskill) Gillespie, both of whom were born in the vicinity of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in the same year, 1806. The marriage of the parents was solemnized in the old Keystone State, and about the year 1831 Jonathan Gillespie established himself as a pioneer farmer in Goshen Township, Clermont County, Ohio. In that county the death of his loved and devoted wife occurred in the year 1871, and thereafter from the year 1877 he made his home with his son William, of this sketch, who is the only child, until he, too, passed to the life eternal, his death having occurred at Maineville, Warren County, Ohio, in 1883. Mr. Gillespie was a staunch republican from the time of the organization of the party of this name until his death, and both he and his wife were most devout and zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was fifty-five years of age at the inception of the Civil war, and though he was thus ineligible for active military duty at the front, he gave effective service as a member of the local militia organization known as the Home Guard.

William Gillespie passed the period of his childhood and early youth on the home farm in Clermont County, and in addition to profiting by the advantages of the public schools at Goshen he there pursued a higher course of study in the select school conducted by Prof. W. O. Hopkins, an able educator. Mr. Gillespie completed his studies in this select school when he was twenty years of age, and for the ensuing one year he followed farm work in Butler County. In 1880 he became principal of schools in Wayne Township, Clermont County, and after twelve years of effective service in the pedagogic profession his impaired health led him to abandon teaching and to engage in the insurance business at Akron, which now populous industrial city was a mere village at that time. Two years later he removed from Akron to Painesville, where he became shipping clerk for the Grand River File Works. The manufacturing plant of this company was destroyed by fire ten months later, and Mr. Gillespie then, in the autumn of 1895, became principal of the public schools of Wickliffe, Lake County, where he continued his service twelve years. In 1907 he was made superintendent of schools for Willoughby and Mentor townships, this county, with headquarters at Willoughby. Later he was made superintendent of schools for the district comprising the two townships mentioned and also Kirtland Township. In this office he continued his effective administration until 1917, when he was incapacitated by a slight stroke of paralysis. His wonted determination and resourcefulness soon came into effective play, however, for when the principal of the schools at Hartland Ridge, Huron County, was called into military service in connection with the World war, Mr. Gillespie met with equal loyalty the conscription which drafted him into service as principal of the consolidated school thus left without an executive head. He remained in charge of the school work at Hartland Ridge until the armistice brought the war to a close, and shortly afterward, in November, 1918, he was elected justice of the peace at Willoughby. In 1920 he was reelected to this office, for a term of four years, and he maintains his official headquarters in the Willoughby City Hall. He has been unswerving in his allegiance to the republican party, and he is an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as was also his wife, whose death occurred in April, 1916. Mr. Gillespie is affiliated with Western Reserve Tent, Knights of the Maccabees, at Painesville, and with Willoughby Camp of the Modern Woodmen of America. He is a member of the Willoughby Chamber of Commerce, and from 1907 to 1919 he was one of the trustees of the Willoughby Public Library.

August 13, 1882, recorded the marriage of Mr. Gillespie and Miss Ella Hill, daughter of the late Charles and Rebecca (Hand) Hill, of Belfast, Clermont County, Mr. Hill having been a blacksmith by trade and vocation. As previously noted, the death of Mrs. Gillespie occurred in April, 1916, and her memory is revered by all who came within the sphere of her gentle and gracious influence. Two children likewise survive the devoted wife and mother: Stanley Edgar was graduated from the University of Ohio, and received degrees in both electrical engineering and constructive engineering. He now resides in Japan, where he is an oriental representative of the Union Switch and Signal Company, a subsidiary of the great Westinghouse Company of East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Florence, the younger of the two children, is the wife of James Crobaugh, of Willoughby, where Mr. Crobaugh is chief electrician of the Buckeye Rubber Products Company.

Robert O. Burton, former city engineer of Willoughby, Lake County, was born in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, August 11, 1890, and was one of the patriotic young men who represented the fine old Buckeye State in the nation's military service in the World war period.

Mr. Burton is a son of Charles F. and Minnie (Oldham) Burton, both natives of Brownsville, Licking County, Ohio, where the former was born January 10, 1858, and the latter August 11, 1859, both having there been reared and educated and their marriage having there been solemnized. After his marriage Charles F. Burton was for some time express agent for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company at Delaware, Ohio, and in 1884 he moved to Indianapolis, Indiana, where he became a department manager in a large dry goods store. In 1893 he accepted a similar position at Toledo, Ohio, where he remained until 1896, when he removed with his family to Cleveland, in which city he and his wife still maintain their home. There he was manager of a department in one of the leading department stores until 1913, since which year he has been in the employ of the East Ohio Gas Company, with which he has charge of the pressure department. Mr. Burton is a stalwart democrat, and he and his wife are zealous communicants of the

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Protestant Episcopal Church. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity. Of the three children Robert O., of this sketch, is the eldest. Paul H., a railroad employe, resides in Cleveland. He gave more than two years of service in connection with the World war. As a member of an artillery command his original overseas service with the American Expeditionary Forces was in his assignment to duty with the British forces in Belgium, and later he was with the Allied Army of Occupation in Germany, his rank having been that of sergeant. Ruth Elizabeth, youngest of the three children, remains at the parental home.

Robert O. Burton received his early education in the public schools of Toledo and Cleveland, and in the latter city he was graduated from the Technical High School as a member of the class of 1910. He soon afterward entered the employ of the F. A. Pease Engineering Company of Cleveland, and one year later he became associated with the William H. Evers Engineering Company, with which representative Cleveland concern he continued his alliance until the summer of 1918, his service having been principally in the capacity of field engineer. In 1918 Mr. Burton came to Willoughby, Lake County, as chief field engineer for the Clark & Pike Company, of which he was made vice president January 1, 1921. On the 31st of December, 1921, he was appointed village engineer of Willoughby, an office which he assumed January 1, 1922, and which he continued to fill until December 31, 1923.

In August, 1918, the professional activities of Mr. Burton were interrupted by his entering the nation's service in connection with the World war. At Camp Zachary Taylor, Kentucky, he was assigned to an artillery regiment, and six weeks later he was transferred to Company D, One Hundred and Twentieth Engineer Corps, at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Indiana. He continued in service, with the rank of first sergeant, until April 1, 1919, when he received his honorable discharge.

Mr. Burton gives his political allegiance to the republican party, and he and his wife are communicants of Grace Church, Protestant Episcopal, at Willoughby, he being a member of the vestry of this parish. In the Masonic fraternity he is affiliated with Willoughby Lodge No. 302, Free and Accepted Masons; Painesville Chapter No. 46, Royal Arch Masons; Painesville Council No. 204, Royal and Select Masters, besides which he is a member of Ascalon Commandery No. 588, Ancient and Illustrious Knights of Malta. He is actively identified with the Willoughby Chamber of Commerce and the local Kiwanis Club, and is a stockholder in the First National Bank of Willoughby.

On the 17th of November, 1916, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Burton and Miss Helen C. Cole, daughter of William H. and Leota (Townsend) Cole, of Cleveland, where Mr. Cole is president of the Holland Trolley Supply Company. Mrs. Burton was graduated from the Woman's College of Western Reserve University, and received therefrom the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Mr. and Mrs. Burton have two children, Barbara Elizabeth, born April 4, 1920, and Helen Louise, born August 11, 1922.

JOSEPH LOTH has been called upon to serve in various offices of public trust in his native city of Sandusky, and has at all times measured up fully to the requirements of the positions to which he has been chosen, the while he has always had secure place in popular confidence and esteem. He is now serving as city treasurer and auditor, and is giving a characteristically effective administration in this dual office.

Mr. Loth was born in Sandusky, on the 1st of March, 1875, and is a son of Joseph and Christina (Kessler) Loth, the former of whom was born in Germany and the latter at Hazleton, Pennsylvania, in which state their marriage was solemnized. Joseph Loth, Sr., was reared and educated in his native land, and was seventeen years of age when he came to the United States. He made Ohio his destination, and this state he represented as a gallant young soldier of the Union in the Civil war. He enlisted as a private in the Twenty-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and with this command he served until the close of the war, with a record of participation in many engagements, including a number of major battles. After the close of the war he took a course in a business college at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He served for several years as a bookkeeper and accountant in that city, where he also learned the cigar making trade. In 1872 he came to Ohio and established his permanent residence in Sandusky. He engaged independently in the manufacturing of cigars, and with this line of enterprise he here continued to be identified until his death, which occurred in the year 1919, his widow being still a resident of Sandusky.

The present city treasurer and auditor of Sandusky gained his earlier education in the public schools of this city, and after initiating his connection with business affairs he attended night school and also completed a course in a local business college His first business experience was gained when, at the age of twelve years, he found employment as bundle-boy in a local dry-goods establishment. He won advancement to the position of clerk, and his service in this capacity continued about two years. He thereafter learned in his father's factory the trade of cigarmaker, and at various intervals he continued to be associated with his father's business during the course of fifteen years.

Mr. Loth has shown unqualified civic loyalty and progressiveness, and has held numerous positions of trust. He was for two years a member of the Sandusky Board of Education, was deputy city auditor three years, was twice elected city auditor, in which office he thus served four years, and under the commission system of municipal government he received his appointment to his present dual office, city auditor and treasurer, on the 1st of January, 1924. As a skilled and reliable accountant he has also held various office positions in connection with business, and to service of this order he gave a share of his time and attention during a period of fourteen years. He is a stalwart supporter of the cause of the democratic party, and is affiliated with Sandusky Lodge No. 285, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

On the 26th of January, 1904, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Loth and Miss Anna Plain, who was born at Aurora, Illinois, and whose death occurred January 26, 1923. She is not survived by children.

HON. GEORGE W. SIEBER. Since his admission to the Ohio bar in 1882, George W. Sieber has been continuously engaged in the general practice of law and in many associated interests, particularly real estate developments in Akron and vicinity. His name has been identified with many important undertakings and causes of a patriotic and civic nature.

He was born in Snyder County, Pennsylvania, February 22, 1858, on Washington's birthday, hence his name. His parents were Joseph and Sarah (Moyer) Sieber, natives of Pennsylvania, where his father was born in 1818 and his mother in 1819. They came to Akron in 1868, and Joseph Sieber died in 1896 and his wife in 1909. The father spent his active career as a farmer, butcher and tanner.

George W. Sieber was educated in Pennsylvania and in the public schools of Akron, graduating from high school in 1876. He continued his education in Buchtel College, and graduated with first honors in

the class of 1882 from the Cincinnati Law School. In 1891 he became a member of the firm of Green, Grant & Sieber, which after the death of Judge Green continued as Grant & Sieber until the elevation of Judge Grant to the Ohio Court of Appeals in 1912. For a number of years Mr. Sieber has had as his associate his son in the firm of Sieber, Sieber & Amer, with offices in the Second National Building. Mr. Sieber was admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court in 1897.

As an attorney and also as a business man he has been identified with the organization or development of a number of Akron's business concerns, including several leading industries. He was instrumental in putting on the market the Sieber and Sieberling allotment, the first real estate development on North Hill, and helped develop the old Wise farm into a fine residence section, referred to as the Wilcox, Noah and Sieber allotment.

During the World war Mr. Sieber acted as chairman of Elective Service Draft Board No. 4, and as chairman of the Liberty and Victory Loan campaigns. In 1886 he was elected prosecuting attorney of Summit County and by reelection served until 1892. In 1899 he was elected to the State Senate, serving one term, and was chairman of the finance committee and member of the judiciary committee. He has been active in the republican party and in the Lutheran Church, being a teacher in Sunday school. He is a member of Akron's Commandery of Knights Templar and Lake Erie Consistory of Scottish Rite Masons, and is a past potentate of Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He has served as president of the company building the Elks' home at Akron, is a member of the City Club, Portage Country Club, Congress Lake Country Club, the University Club, the Summit County, Ohio State and American Bar associations and the Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

He married, September 11, 1883, Miss Elsie C. Motz, daughter of George Motz. The three children born to their marriage were: Joseph Byron, Florence Sarah Carnahan and Ruth. Both daughters finished their education in Wellesley College. The son was born in 1886, graduated from the Akron High School, attended Western Reserve University and Yale University, where he took his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1908, and in 1911 graduated from the Harvard Law School. Since 1912 he has been in practice with his father.

Mary W. Seelye, superintendent of the Andrews Institute for Girls, a splendid educational institution located at Willoughby, Lake County, has the fullest measure of professional enthusiasm and loyalty, and in her present official position has found admirable opportunity for expressing this enthusiasm through constructive service along both academic and executive lines. Mrs. Seelye has been associated with this institution from the time of its founding, in 1910, and has been its superintendent since 1922.

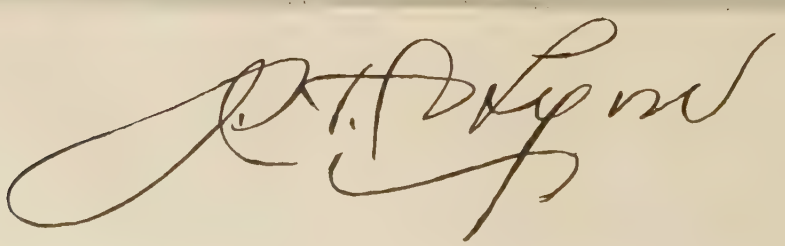
The Andrews Institute for Girls, designated as "a practical school to render worthy girls self-supporting," was founded in accordance with provisions made in the wills of the late Wallace C. and Margaret M. (St. John) Andrews, who lost their lives in a fire in their home in New York City on the morning of April 7, 1899. The Andrews Institute was incorporated May 13, 1902, but it was not until the summer of 1909 that the funds for its maintenance became available. Instruction began April 4, 1910, with eighty-five special students enrolled for sewing lessons. The first regular students entered on the 19th of the following September. The original headquarters of the school were established in the fine old Andrews-St. John homestead, a property given for the purpose by Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, the generous founders. From the 1923 announcement of the institution are taken the following pertinent statements: "The institute has purchased 268½ acres of land on the east side of the Chagrin River, opposite the Village of Willoughby. * * * It is a beautiful property of native forest trees, nut grove, orchards, fertile fields, valleys and brooks. This site is the permanent location for the school and cottages. * * * The institute does not compete with schools of college grade, nor does it prepare girls for normal school or college. Its appeal is to girls who desire a vocational training. To these it offers exceptional opportunities. While the ultimate aim of Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, as specified in their wills, was to afford the pupils employment for life, that is, for a trade training, still, practically all of the courses are valuable preparation for the home."

Literature of descriptive order is issued in a direct way by the Andrews Institute, with incidental tribute to the noble founders, Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, both natives of the historic old Western Reserve in Ohio, Mr. Andrews having been born at Vienna, Trumbull County, and his wife, Mrs. Margaret (St. John) Andrews, having been born at Willoughby, Lake County. A fitting and enduring monument to the memory of these loved and influential philanthropists is the school which perpetuates their name.

The improving of the permanent site of the institute is proceeding in excellent order. A very fine Practical Arts Building was erected in 1923, and among other modern structures to be erected in the near future will be a second school building and an administration building, besides cottages planned to afford accommodations for 500 girl students, the enrollment of students at the time of this writing, in the autumn of 1923, being 207, and 170 of the number being afforded living accommodations in the cottages maintained by the school in the Village of Willoughby. These five cottages are owned by the institute, which will retain them even after cottages are erected on the regular campus tract. It is unnecessary in this brief review to attempt to give details concerning the courses of study and the general work of the Andrews Institute, for these matters are adequately covered in the catalogue issued by the institution and available through direct application.

Mrs. Mary (Whitacre) Seelye was born in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and is a daughter of William and Arrial (Hanna) Whitacre, the former of whom was born at Lisbon, Columbiana County, Ohio, in 1836, and the latter of whom likewise was born in Ohio, she having been a daughter of Robert and Harriet (Brooks) Hanna, the former of whom was born at Lisbon, Columbiana County, this state, in 1813, and the latter of whom was born in Vermont, in 1814. Robert Hanna, an uncle of the late Senator Mark Hanna, passed the greater part of his life in Cleveland, where he was a prominent banker, and there both he and his wife died in the year 1881. William Whitacre was reared at Lisbon, and his marriage was solemnized in the City of Cleveland. He became prominently identified with iron manufacturing, with headquarters in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, until 1878, when he removed to Chicago, Illinois, where he continued his alliance with the same line of industrial enterprise until his death in 1888. His wife was born in the year 1841, and her death occurred in 1876, at Pittsburgh, both having been earnest members of the Congregational Church, and Mr. Whitacre having been a staunch supporter of the cause of the republican party.

Mrs. Seelye acquired her youthful education mainly in private schools in the City of Cleveland, and she has made a record of most effective and constructive stewardship in connection with educational work in Ohio. In 1910 she was appointed a director



of the cottage department of Andrews Institute for Girls, and since 1922 she has been the popular and progressive superintendent of this admirable institution. Mrs. Seelye is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Willoughby Public Library, holds membership in the Woman's City Club in the City of Cleveland, and from 1919 to 1921 she was president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Willoughby Post of the American Legion. She takes deep interest in civic affairs, and is a popular figure in the cultural and social circles of her home community.

Fred Genung Bates, postmaster at Madison, Lake County, is giving an administration that fully justifies his appointment to this important community office in his native village, he having been born at Madison on the 19th of September, 1883. The paternal grandparents of the postmaster of Madison were John D. and Mary Jane (Darrow) Bates, both natives of Otsego County, New York, where they were reared and educated and where their marriage was solemnized. John D. Bates came to Lake County, Ohio, in the early '50s, purchased a large tract of land in Madison Township, and here reclaimed and developed one of the fine farm properties of the county. On their old homestead place he and his wife long remained, and both were honored pioneer citizens of Madison Township at the time of their death.

He whose name initiates this review is a son of Delos and Caroline E. (Genung) Bates, both likewise natives of Madison Township, this county, where the former was born January 28, 1858, and the latter in the year 1860. They here continued their residence during the long intervening years and now have their home in the Village of Madison. Delos Bates was graduated from Madison Seminary, and in addition to his early alliance with farm industry he has been a prominent representative of the lumber business, as a dealer and manufacturer, besides which he has done an appreciable service as a contractor in road construction and improvement. He is now living virtually retired from active business. He is a republican in politics, and he gave many years of service as trustee of Madison Township. He and his wife are zealous members of the Baptist Church at Madison, and in their native county their circle of friends is coincident with that of their acquaintances. Of the children Fred G., of this review, is the eldest; Minnie E. is the wife of Rev. J. U. Stotts, of Tujunga, California; Bertha G. is the wife of Roland Standish, manager of a large department store at Salt Lake City, Utah; Stanley P., who owns and conducts a well equipped automobile garage at North Madison, is a veteran of overseas service in the World war, he having been in the ambulance service on the Italian front nearly two years; Martha G. is the wife of Royal A. Stewart, a successful ranchman near Highland, California; Clarence W., who resides in Los Angeles County and who is prominently identified with the real estate business and other lines of enterprise, likewise gave nearly two years of service in the ambulance corps on the Italian front in the World war; and Robert D. is, in 1923, a student in the University at Redlands, California.

Fred G. Bates is indebted to the public schools of Madison for his early education, and after his graduation from high school, as a member of the class of 1900, he passed two years in Chicago, where he was employed in piano factories. He then returned to Madison and took a position in the music store conducted by his uncle, Charles Bates, under the title of the Bates Music Company. He thus continued until 1917, when he initiated independent activities as a piano-tuner. In the same year, however, he passed the required civil service examination and was then appointed mail carrier on one of the rural routes from the Madison postoffice. In this capacity he continued his service until January 1, 1923, when he was appointed postmaster of Madison, this advancement having come to him by reason of his status on the civil service list in connection with the examination previously referred to in this paragraph.

Mr. Bates holds unswervingly to the political faith for which the republican party stands sponsor. He is a loyal and valued member of the Madison Chamber of Commerce, is affiliated with the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias, and he and his wife hold membership in the Baptist Church in their home village. Mr. Bates is the owner of his attractive residence property on East Main Street.

September 12, 1908, was marked by the marriage of Mr. Bates and Miss Emma L. White, daughter of Rev. Ulna A. and Emma (Alderman) White, both of whom are deceased, the father having been a clergyman of the Christian, or Disciples Church. Mr. and Mrs. Bates have five children: Oliver W., Walter R., Caroline L., Muriel B. and Dorothy J.

John Henry Chalmer Lyon, judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Mahoning County, has been a practicing attorney in the Youngstown district nearly twenty years. Today one of the best known men in that populous section of Eastern Ohio, Judge Lyon started his career amidst struggles, poverty and obscurity, and his position is the reward of unwavering energy and ambition.

Judge Lyon was born December 10, 1878, at Clarkson, in Columbiana County, Ohio, and his ancestry included several of the solid and enterprising families that represented some of the finest characteristics of the early Ohio pioneers. His father, Marcena Lyon, also a native of Columbiana County, was the son of Henry Lyon, who was a first cousin of General Lyon, one of the most brilliant and resourceful men on the Union side at the beginning of the Civil war. Marcena Lyon completed his education in the Lisbon High School, and as a youth was bound out to a tanner, learning that trade, but after the age of eighteen he took up carpentry work. Going out to Marshalltown, Iowa, he bought a farm, but subsequently sold it and returned to Ohio, where he married, and in 1879 he removed to Iola, Kansas, where he spent another year on a farm. He then returned to Ohio and located at New Waterford, where he lived until his death in 1894, engaged in farming and contracting.

Marcena Lyon married Hannah Jane Lewis, who was born in Ohio and is still living at the old homestead at New Waterford. Her grandfather Lewis was a cousin of Merriwether Lewis, of the famous Lewis and Clark expedition. This grandfather Lewis was a builder of bridges on the Pennsylvania Railroad, and at one time was an associate contractor with Phillip Lewis, the grandfather of the subject of this sketch. The Hannahs were also pioneers in Columbiana County. Grandfather Lewis married a Miss Young, who was related to John Young, the founder of Youngstown, and also to Philip Young, the last surviving Revolutionary soldier west of the Alleghany Mountains.

Judge Lyon spent his early boyhood on the farm at New Waterford, and his education, acquired in intervals of teaching and other work, after finishing the high school at New Waterford, was continued in Mount Hope College at Rogers, in the Northeastern Ohio Normal School at Canfield, in Mount Union College at Alliance, and in the Ohio Northern University at Ada. He began teaching when he was sixteen years of age, and for two years was principal of the Canfield village schools and for a time was principal of the Second Ward school at Alliance. He began the study of law at New Waterford, took the law course at Ada, and in June, 1906, was ad-

mitted to the bar, and is a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity of Mount Union College. After six months of practice with his brother, Everett L. Lyon, at East Palestine he moved to Youngstown on December 10, 1906, and was associated at different times with such lawyers as David G. Jenkins, Clyde W. Osborne, his brother, Walter I. Lyon, G. F. Hammond, I. G. Matthews, Clinton J. Wall and Ralph Miller. After the struggles of the first year or so Judge Lyon rapidly established a reputation for the successful handling of jury trials, and for over ten years was identified with nearly all the important cases in the courts of his section. On January 2, 1923, by appointment from the governor, he became judge of the Court of Common Pleas to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of his former law partner, David G. Jenkins. He was endorsed by the Mahoning County Bar for this appointment.

On June 1, 1910, Judge Lyon married Miss Lucille C. Strong, who was born at North Benton, Ohio, daughter of Ashley E. and Anna (Malmsberry) Strong. Her parents came to Ohio from Connecticut. Judge and Mrs. Lyon have one son, Ashley Marcena, born October 11, 1913. Judge and Mrs. Lyon are members of the Presbyterian Church. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Lodge No. 55 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Loyal Order of Moose, the Protective Home Circle, and is on the board of control of the Youngstown Optimist Club.

For a number of years Judge Lyon was the attorney representing the village government of several localities around Youngstown. He was attorney for Struthers for fourteen years, for Lowellsville, nine years, for Poland, six years, and for East Youngstown, two years. Judge Lyon is a republican, and was active in the campaign of 1912 for the progressive cause, being associated as a speaker with such notables as Hiram Johnson, Roosevelt, Governor Willis, Mr. Hughes and the late Vice President Fairbanks. He resigned from the State Republican Central Committee in 1912, when the party split over the progressive issue.

Ernest Crockett, M. D. One of the prominent members of his profession at Ashtabula, Dr. Ernest Crockett has practiced there over twenty years. He is a native of Ashtabula County, representing the third generation of his family here.

Doctor Crockett was born at Dorset, in Ashtabula County, July 9, 1873. His grandfather, William Crockett, was born in Ireland, in 1806, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and as a young man came to America and settled in Pennsylvania, and later moved to Dorset, Ohio, where he engaged in farming. He died at Dorset in 1883, when Doctor Crockett was ten years old. The second wife of William Crockett, and the grandmother of Doctor Crockett, was Sallie Ann Caldwell, a native of Pennsylvania, who died at Dorset, Ohio. William Crockett, Jr., father of Dr. Ernest Crockett, was born in Richmond Township of Ashtabula County, November 10, 1849, was reared there, and as a young man went to Dorset, where he became a well-to-do farmer, and for seventeen years he held the office of township trustee. He was a democrat in politics. His death occurred at Jefferson May 2, 1917. He had retired from the farm and moved to Jefferson in 1915. His first wife was Amelia Brown, who was born at Penn Line, Pennsylvania, in 1852, and died at Dorset July 13, 1873, four days after the birth of her only child, Dr. Ernest Crockett. The second wife of William Crockett was Minerva S. Thompson, who was born at Denmark, Ohio, and now lives at Jefferson. By this marriage there were five children: Dora A., wife of James A. Reed, an employe of the O. & W. P. Dock Company at Ashtabula; Glenn S., proprietor of a moving picture theater at Cleveland; Cassie V., wife of Clifford Jerome, a machinist at Jefferson, Ohio; Homer, who died when four years old, and another son who died in infancy.

Dr. Ernest Crockett was reared on his father's farm at Dorset, attended the common schools there, and in 1893 graduated from the Jefferson Educational Institute. For two years of his early manhood he was principal of a grammar school at Jefferson, and subsequently entered the medical department of the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1900. In the same year he engaged in practice at Ashtabula as a physician and surgeon. He was elected and served two years as coroner of Ashtabula County, and is a member of the Ashtabula County, Ohio State and American Medical associations. During the World war he was a member of the Medical Advisory Board for the district including Ashtabula, Lake and Geauga counties.

Doctor Crockett is a democrat, is a member of Harbor Lodge No. 558, Free and Accepted Masons, at Ashtabula; Western Reserve Chapter No. 8, Royal Arch Masons; Conneaut Council No. 40, Royal and Select Masters, at Conneaut, Ohio; Columbian Commandery No. 52, Knights Templar, at Ashtabula, of which he is a past commander; Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland; and Lake Erie Chapter No. 10 of the Eastern Star. Doctor Crockett is also a member of Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of the Ashtabula Country Club and the Ashtabula Chamber of Commerce. He has acquired considerable real estate in Ashtabula, including his fine residence at 26 Park Street.

At Dorset, Ohio, July 11, 1900, Doctor Crockett married Miss Mamie B. Kennedy, daughter of James and Harriet (Reed) Kennedy, the latter living with Doctor and Mrs. Crockett. The father, who died at Dorset, was a retired farmer. Doctor and Mrs. Crockett are the parents of four children: Amelia, who graduated from the Ashtabula General Hospital; Lorene Alice, a graduate of the Ashtabula High School; Louise Elizabeth, a junior in high school; and Mary Jean, a student in the Junior High School of Ashtabula.

Norman B. Osborne, M. D., who is established in the general practice of his profession at Andover, and whose personality and successful achievements mark him as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Ashtabula County, is able to revert to the old Empire State of the Union as the place of his nativity, and is a scion of a family that was founded in New England in the Colonial period of our national history. The original representatives of the Osborne family came from England and numbered themselves among the early settlers in Connecticut.

Dr. Norman Bellinger Osborne was born in the City of Buffalo, New York, July 20, 1884, and was about two years old at the time when the family home was established at Youngstown, Ohio. His father, George S. Osborne, still a resident of Youngstown, was born at Danbury, Connecticut, July 21, 1853, and is a son of Judge Levi Osborne and Emma (Moffett) Osborne, both likewise natives of Danbury, where the former was born in 1825 and the latter in 1828. Judge Osborne was reared and educated in his native state, and became a man of versatile ability. At Danbury, Connecticut, he served as judge of the Probate Court, and after his removal to the State of New York he did faithful and effective work as a clergyman of the Christian Church, he having there held pastoral charges at Tonawanda and Williamsville. In 1886 Judge Osborne and his wife established their home at Youngstown, Ohio, where he became associated with his son George S. in the mercantile busi-

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ness. There his death occurred in the year 1913, and there his widow remained until her death in 1917.

George S. Osborne was reared and educated at Danbury, Connecticut, and was a youth at the time of the family removal to the State of New York. At Tonawanda, that state, was solemnized his marriage to Miss Olive Bellinger, whose birth there occurred in October, 1860, and thereafter he became manager of the cloak department in a large department store in the City of Buffalo. There he remained until 1886, when he came to Youngstown, Ohio, where he has since maintained his home. He continued as one of the leading merchants of that city until 1916, and has since lived virtually retired, though he is president of the Osborne-Norman Company, which conducts a leading department store in the City of Erie, Pennsylvania. He is independent in politics, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Central Christian Church at Youngstown. Of the children the eldest is Eugene C., who is identified with the stock and bond business in the City of Cleveland; Dr. Norman B., of this review, was the next in order of birth; and Marian is the wife of James E. Bennett, a prominent younger member of the bar of Mahoning County, where he is engaged in the practice of his profession at Youngstown.

The public schools of Youngstown continued to engage a due quota of the time and attention of Doctor Osborne until he was there graduated from the Rayen High School, as a member of the class of 1903. He next passed one year as a student in the Case School of Applied Science in Cleveland, and in preparation for his chosen profession he thereafter passed four years as a student in the Hahnemann Medical College in the City of Philadelphia. In this institution he was graduated in 1908 and duly received his degree of Doctor of Medicine. There he became affiliated with the Zeta Psi fraternity and the Alpha Sigma medical fraternity. After his graduation Doctor Osborne had one year of valuable experience as an interne in the Metropolitan Hospital in the City of New York, and he then returned to Ohio and established himself at Andover, where he has been actively engaged in the practice of his profession since 1909 and where he has built up a substantial and representative practice, besides which he is a member of the staff of the Andover Sanitarium. The doctor is a member of the Ashtabula County Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Society. In politics he maintains an independent attitude, and he and his wife hold membership in the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Andover. Doctor Osborne is a past master of Andover Lodge No. 506, Free and Accepted Masons; at the county seat, Jefferson, he is a member of Jefferson Chapter No. 141, Royal Arch Masons; at Conneaut he is a member of Conneaut Council No. 40, Royal and Select Masters; and at Andover he holds membership in Ridgely Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is the owner of valuable real estate at Andover, including his attractive home property on West Main Street.

The private professional activities of Doctor Osborne were interrupted by his patriotic service in connection with the World war. He enlisted in July, 1918, and at Camp Hancock, Georgia, he gained a commission as first lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the United States Army. There he continued in service for some time after the armistice brought the war to a close, and there he received his honorable discharge on the 1st of March, 1919.

At Wilmington, Delaware, on the 23rd of May, 1910, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Osborne and Miss Estrella Andrews, daughter of Joseph and Catherine (Brown) Andrews, who now maintain their home at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Andrews is associated with the Cambria Steel Company. Doctor and Mrs. Osborne have no children.

ARTHUR J. KANE, of Ashtabula, has made a notable record as a police officer. He has been on the Ashtabula police force for over thirty years, and for fifteen years has been chief of police in that city.

Mr. Kane was born at North Springfield, Erie County, Pennsylvania, August 11, 1867. His parents, Patrick and Margaret (Norton) Kane, were natives of Ireland, and came from that country and located at North Springfield, Pennsylvania. For many years he was an employe of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway Company. He died at North Springfield in 1879. He was a democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. His wife, Margaret Norton, was also born in Ireland, and she died at Ashtabula in 1901. They had a large family of children, briefly mentioned as follows: Mary, Peter, Henry, William, George, Charles, Arthur J., Alice, Frank and Agnes.

Arthur J. Kane was twelve years old when his father died, and shortly afterward the family settled at Ashtabula. He continued to attend the public schools of that city until he was sixteen, and then went to work, proving his ability at earning a living in various occupations. Like several of his brothers he took up railroading, and for one year was with the Pennsylvania Railroad, and for four years with the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie, with headquarters at McKees Rocks, a Pittsburgh suburb. On returning to Ashtabula he was in the mercantile business two years.

On April 19, 1892, Mr. Kane became a member of the police force of Ashtabula, his initial salary being $50 a month, whereas in recent years the minimum salary of patrolmen is nearly three times that figure. He was appointed by Mayor F. C. Moore. Mr. Kane has been in all departments of the service, and for some time was a plain clothes man. On December 4, 1909, on the basis of his efficient record, he was elevated to the post of chief of police, and it has been his pride and satisfaction to give to Ashtabula one of the most efficient police systems in the state. He refused to retire in accordance with the provisions of the state law permitting retirement on the pension list when he had completed a quarter of a century of service on the force.

Mr. Kane is independent in politics. He is a member of Saint Joseph's Catholic Church of Ashtabula, is affiliated with Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a member of the Ashtabula Chamber of Commerce, and is owner of considerable property in his home city.

In January, 1902, at Ashtabula, he married Miss Amelia Strubbe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman H. Strubbe, the latter a resident of Ashtabula County. Her father was a well known and successful farmer in Ashtabula County, where he died. Mr. and Mrs. Kane have two children: Leo J., born in April, 1903, and Arthur J. Jr., born in May, 1911.

JAMES WEAVER SNODGRASS, a popular citizen of Youngstown, metropolis of Mahoning County, has gained international reputation as the "king of human flies," owing to his daring and marvelous feats in climbing the sides of high buildings and performing other remarkable exhibitions of similar order. He has gained fame and success also as a landscape gardener, tree doctor and tree expert, and to these lines of professional enterprise he now gives his time and attention.

Mr. Snodgrass was born at Steubenville, Jefferson County, Ohio, October 1, 1881, and is a son of John Nelson Snodgrass and Mary E. (Fisher) Snodgrass, the former of whom still resides at Steubenville, the

latter being deceased. In the public schools of his native city the early educational discipline of Mr. Snodgrass included that of the high school, and at the age of nineteen years he became associated with steel erection work, with which he continued to be identified ten years and in connection with which he developed his wonderful skill and daring in climbing high points. The next move of Mr. Snodgrass was made when he initiated independent business as a contractor in steeple work, and he has ascended the highest of church spires in various kinds of repair work in many of the leading cities of the Union, besides holding the world's record in climbing up the sides of tall buildings and effecting a change of clothing while doing this perilous feat. His exhibition feats, which have attracted wide attention and admiration, were made under the title of the "Masked Marvel," and his career in this line was initiated at St. Louis, Missouri, in 1903.

Mr. Snodgrass has devoted much time to studying and experimenting in the growing, moving and cultivating of trees, and has become one of the most expert of "tree doctors," with much ability in eliminating tree pests and applying "surgical" and other treatments in the preserving of fine trees. He is the inventor of a most efficient moving wagon for the transplanting of large trees, and as a landscape gardener and tree expert he has been actively and successfully established in business since 1907, his services being in demand far aside from his home city and county. He maintains his office headquarters at his attractive home, 304 Lucius Avenue.

Mr. Snodgrass is aligned in the ranks of the republican party, and has never manifested any desire to exercise his climbing skill in escaping from these ranks. He is a past chancellor of Golden Lodge No. 52, Knights of Pythias, at Youngstown, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The year 1904 recorded the marriage of Mr. Snodgrass and Miss Eva Kelty, daughter of Joseph and Ellen (Grove) Kelty, who were residents of Steubenville, Ohio, at the time of her birth. Mr. Kelty was born in Beaver County, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Snodgrass have one daughter, Evelyn.

John Evert Glantz is a prominent attorney of Ashtabula, conducts an extensive general practice, and is also interested in financial and business enterprises. He is one of the gifted leaders among the large population of Finnish descent living in Northeastern Ohio.

He was born at Isokyro, Finland, July 18, 1886, and bears the name of his stepfather. His own father was Isaac Ojala, who was born at Isokyro, in 1862, son of John Ojala, a native of the same place and a farmer there, and grandson of Eric Ojala, also a farmer at Isokyro. Isaac Ojala was reared and married in Finland, followed farming there, and after coming to America settled at Ashtabula Harbor, where he died shortly afterward. He was a staunch Lutheran, and in Finland received military training as a member of the Reserves. The wife of Isaac Ojala was Marie Charlotte Enstrom, who was born at Seinajoki, Finland, in 1864. John Evert was the only child of her first marriage. Later she married Robert Glantz, who was born at Orimattila, Finland, and in 1891 came to the United States and settled at Ashtabula Harbor. He is an employe of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company there. He is a republican, a member of the Finnish Congregational Church, and he likewise was given military training in Finland. Robert Glantz and wife live at 31 Whitlan Street in Ashtabula. Their children are: Aino, wife of Walter Lakari, a furnace foreman for the Great Lakes Engineering Company at Ashtabula Harbor; Sarah, wife of Clyde Frye, a farmer at Avon, Massachusetts; Miss Olga, Robert, Jr., an employe of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; and Miss Laura.

John Evert Glantz was six years old when his parents came to America, and he grew up in a thorough American environment and acquired his education in the public schools of Ashtabula Harbor, including the high school. While a working boy he attended classes at the Central High School, and studied law in Western Reserve University at Cleveland, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1913. He also received a diploma from the Central High School and from the Ashtabula Harbor High School. Admitted to the bar in June, 1913, Mr. Glantz at once engaged in practice, and has handled a large and varied amount of litigation, both civil and criminal, in the courts of this section of the state. His practice extends over into Pennsylvania. His offices are in the Marine National Bank Building at Ashtabula Harbor.

Mr. Glantz is secretary of and attorney for the City Savings and Loan Company of Ashtabula, and is secretary of the Citizens Loan Society of Ashtabula. He has acquired considerable real estate in the city, including his home at 48 Whitlan Street. During the World war he assisted in all the drives for patriotic purposes, being a four-minute speaker. He is a republican, is holding the office of justice of the peace, and for four years was a member of the Republican County Central Committee of Ashtabula County. He is a member of Bethany Lutheran Church, the Ashtabula County Bar Association, the Lawyers Club of Ashtabula, and has participated in all civic movements.

In November, 1911, at Ashtabula Harbor, he married Miss Ida M. Kangas, daughter of Andrew and Fiina Kangas. Her mother lives at Ashtabula Harbor, where her father died. Her father was a foreman for the M. A. Hanna Dock Company. Mr. and Mrs. Glantz are the parents of four children: Paul S., born January 5, 1913; Richard H., born in 1915; Allan E., born in 1917; and Miriam I., born in 1919.

William Arthur Davis as a young man learned the machinist's trade, and his business career has been with manufacturing industries. For several years his home has been at Ashtabula, where he was manager of the Ashtabula Ice Company.

Mr. Davis was born in Henderson County, Tennessee, February 25, 1889, and represents an old family of that state. He is of Welsh ancestry. His grandfather, William Davis, spent his life in Decatur County, Tennessee, where he owned and operated a large farm. His widow, Mary Davis, was born in Decatur County, and lives with her son, Martin Luther Davis. Martin Luther Davis was born in Decatur County in November, 1869, was reared there, and as a young man went to Henderson County, where he married, and for many years he owned and operated a large farm. His home is now at Luray, Tennessee. He is a democrat, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Modern Woodmen of America. Martin Luther Davis married Ellen Elizabeth Harris, who was born in Henderson County, Tennessee, in 1866. Of their two children William A. is the older. The daughter, Ada, is the wife of John Threadgill, a farmer in Madison County, Tennessee.

William Arthur Davis was reared on his father's farm in Tennessee, attending the public schools and subsequently completing his education in the intervals of his employment at Nashville. He attended night sessions of a business college there, and during the day worked at the machinist's trade. Prior to going to Nashville he had learned his trade at Jackson,

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Tensessee. At Nashville he was employed by the Marathon Motor Works, automobile manufacturers. He started there in 1910, and before he left was chief inspector of the company. In 1914 Mr. Davis removed to Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, where for eight months he had charge of a shell plant manufacturing shells for the British government.

His home has been in Ohio since 1915. In that year he located at Painesville, and became foreman of the machine shop of the Coe Manufacturing Company, manufacturing war materials. After the war was over this company returned to its peace time program of manufacturing veneer machinery, and Mr. Davis remained with the company until September, 1920, when he changed his position to chief engineer of the ice products company of Painesville. He is still a stockholder in that industry. On November 1, 1922, he removed to Ashtabula as manager of the Ashtabula Ice Company, the plant and offices being at 259 Lake Street.

Mr. Davis is an independent voter, is a member of the Second Congregational Church of Ashtabula, and is affiliated with Edgefield Lodge No. 254, Free and Accepted Masons, at Nashville, Tennessee, Painesville Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and is a member of the Ashtabula Chamber of Commerce. Since coming to Ashtabula he has bought a good home at 210 Walnut Street. He married, at Nashville, September 15, 1914, Miss Jessie Gilliland, daughter of George W. and Geneva (Mills) Gilliland. Her parents now live at Akron, Ohio, her father being a retired lumber manufacturer. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Davis are Martha Marie, born December 19, 1915; Anita C., born February 12, 1917; and Geneva E., born November 19, 1919.

WILLIAM WALLACE. In the thirty years he has been in the United States, William Wallace has been identified with the New York Central Line shops at Cleveland and Ashtabula. He is assistant general foreman of the New York Central car repair shops in Ashtabula.

Mr. Wallace was born at Stockton-on-Tees, England, January 11, 1874. His father, Isaiah Wallace, was born at Princess Anne, Staffordshire, England, and spent the greater part of his life in Northern England. He was a driller on bridge construction. His death occurred at Middlesborough, England, in 1920. He was a liberal in politics and a member of the Church of England. His wife, Mary Gibson, was born near Leeds, in the north of England, and died at Middlesborough in 1917. They had three children, William being the oldest. The daughter, Mrs. Annie Calvert, is the mother of two children, Victor and Florence, and they live at Harrogate, England, where her husband owns a taxi business. The third child, Victor, living with his brother William in Ashtabula, married Elsie May Holliday, of Cleakheaton, England.

William Wallace was educated in the public schools at Sunderland, England, but only until he was thirteen years of age. Leaving school, he went to work, and at the age of thirteen became an employe in ship yards. He was there four years and for one year in a bridge yard. On coming to the United States in 1893 he located at Cleveland, where he entered the blacksmith shop at the old Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, learning the trade, and in a few years was advanced to leader of steel car repairs in those shops. In 1898 he was transferred to Collinwood, Ohio, as assistant foreman of steel car repairs, and he remained there until October 1, 1915, when he was transferred to the New York Central Lines shops at Ashtabula as shop foreman. Since 1921 he has been assistant general foreman, and has under his supervision 236 workers. He is a man of thorough skill himself, knows every detail of the work constructed under his supervision, and has brought a high degree of efficiency to his department.

Mr. Wallace is a stockholder in the Ashtabula Steel Company. He owns a fine home at 14 Stark Street in Ashtabula. He is a republican, a member of the Episcopal Church, is affiliated with Rising Sun Lodge No. 22, Free and Accepted Masons, at Ashtabula, the Knights of Malta at Ashtabula; Cleveland Camp, Woodmen of the World, Cleveland Chapter of the American Insurance Union, and is a former member of the Ashtabula Chamber of Commerce.

On July 27, 1898, at Cleveland, he married Miss Flora N. Richardson, daughter of Joseph and Annie (Search) Richardson. Her father was a farmer, and both her parents are now deceased.

JOHN N. ANDERBERG. Though he learned and followed a mechanical trade and engaged in business for some years, his endowment of real talent in music was too strong to be resisted, and John N. Anderberg for some years past has been best known in Youngstown and Eastern Ohio as a violin and cornet performer and teacher of those instruments.

Mr. Anderberg was born in Sweden, October 12, 1871, grew up in his native country, attending high school there, and was nineteen years of age when, in 1890, he accompanied his parents to America. They spent six months at Ashtabula, Ohio, and then moved to Youngstown. In that city John N. Anderberg, who had learned the trade of shoemaker, took up work in that line and also even then did some teaching of the violin and cornet. From Youngstown he went to Marinette, Wisconsin, and was employed in a shoe store and playing instruments in a band and orchestra. After two years he returned to Youngstown and engaged in business there for himself, installing the first modern machinery for a shoemaking and shoe repairing plant. He also resumed his connections with musical organizations, and in 1912 gave up his shoe business altogether and has devoted his time to instruction and teaching of the violin and cornet. Since 1920 his studio has been at 139 E. Federal Street.

Mr. Anderberg married, March 7, 1896, Amanda Carolina Wickenberg, who was born at Oconto, Wisconsin, of Swedish descent. Their children are Elsa C., a piano teacher who married Chester Arthur Johnson, of Youngstown, Ohio; Angner W., a clerk with the Republic Iron & Steel Company of Youngstown; and Franz W. J., a musician, living at Youngstown. John N. Anderberg is a member of the Swedish Lutheran Church, is a republican, and fraternally is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, its social branch, the Knights of Khorassan, the Brotherhood of American Yeomen and the Scandinavian Fraternity of North America.

J. MARION KENNEDY is superintendent of the Pollock-Becker Company, owning and operating ore docks at Ashtabula Harbor, and the chief representative on Lake Erie Shore for the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company. Mr. Kennedy has had a long and active experience in the transportation business, beginning as a railroad man.

He was born at Erie, Pennsylvania, December 3, 1868. His grandfather, George Kennedy, was a native of Ireland, and married a full-blooded Scotch woman. Their son, James Kennedy, was born in London, England, in 1826, and when eight years of age came to the United States with his sister. He was reared and married in Erie, Pennsylvania, and just before the outbreak of the Civil war he founded at Erie the first barrel factory in the State of Pennsylvania. This factory was destroyed by fire after the war, causing him other losses, so that he had to begin again at the bottom of the ladder. He was in the

oil refinery business at Erie, and again accumulated a modest fortune, and this, too, was swept away by fire. On account of ill health, he moved to his farm of 250 acres at Dorset, Ohio, and for the rest of his life he pursued agriculture and made himself an influential factor in the affairs of his community. He was a very zealous republican, served a number of years as chairman of the Ashtabula County Republican Committee, and was local manager of the Garfield campaign in 1880 and was responsible for the unprecedented majority given that candidate in his district that year. He was a personal friend of General Garfield. For twenty-five years he held the office of justice of the peace, and lawyers in this section of Ohio frequently were astonished at his amazing knowledge of the law, a knowledge gained altogether through reading and experience. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. James Kennedy, who died at Dorset, Ohio, in June, 1902, married Miss Harriet Reed, who was born at Bridgetown, Ontario, Canada, in 1839, and is now living, at the age of eighty-six, with her son Marion in Ashtabula. There were eight children: Johnson R., rural mail carrier, living at Dorset, Ohio; William E., foreman for the Pollock-Becker Company at Ashtabula; Harriet J., wife of Robert Cowin, station agent at Sharon, Pennsylvania, for the New York Central Lines; Margaret C., twin sister of Harriet, and wife of Lynn Brown, who is boss carpenter for the New York Central Railroad at Cleveland; J. Marion; Clark D., a telegraph operator with the New York Central Lines at Ashtabula; Charles B., also a New York Central telegraph operator, living at Dorset, Ohio, and serving as township clerk and treasurer there; and Mary B., wife of Dr. Ernest Crockett, a physician of Ashtabula.

J. Marion Kennedy was two years of age when the family moved to Dorset, Ohio, and as a boy he attended the public schools there. In 1889 he graduated from the high school at Jefferson, Ohio, and in the fall of the same year he became a telegraph operator for the Lake Shore Railroad Company. He was in the service of this road for eight years, and resigned to become a clerk for the Pittsburgh Coal Company at Ashtabula Harbor. At the end of three years he was promoted to cashier for the Pittsburgh Coal Company and also for the Angeline Dock Company, the Mahoning and Shenango Dock Company and the Union Dock Company. He acted in this capacity for these different corporations doing business at Ashtabula Harbor until 1913, in which year he was made assistant superintendent for the three ore dock companies just mentioned. Five years later the ore dock companies were merged into one ownership, under the Pollock-Becker Company, and since September 15, 1918, Mr. Kennedy has been superintendent of the company, his offices being in the New York Central Railway Building on Columbus Avenue.

Mr. Kennedy has other interests than that of a successful man and public-spirited citizen. He is vice president and director of the Ashtabula Ice Company, and is president of the Harbor Investment Association at Ashtabula Harbor. He is a republican, a member of the Lake Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Ashtabula Harbor and chairman of its Official Board, and fraternally he is affiliated with Rising Sun Lodge No. 22, Free and Accepted Masons, Western Reserve Chapter No. 8 Royal Arch Masons, Columbian Commandery No. 52, Knights Templar, Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland, the Ashtabula Country Club, and the Ashtabula Chamber of Commerce, of which he was a director for six years. He owns two dwelling houses in Ashtabula, one at 127 Walnut Street and his own, a fine residence, at 125 Walnut Street.

On November 23, 1898, at Ashtabula, Mr. Kennedy married Miss Annetta Assell Dennart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dennart, now deceased. Her father was a building contractor in Cleveland. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy have an interesting family of four children. The oldest, Paul R., though too young for the service, volunteered and paid his expenses in the Students Army Training Camp at the Carnegie Institute of Technology at Pittsburgh during the World war, and is now traveling salesman for the Wildroot Company of Buffalo, with headquarters at Cleveland. The second child, Harriet Ruth, is the wife of Kenneth Parks, a resident of Cleveland, and stock foreman for the McKinney Steel Company. Eleanor L. Kennedy is a student in the Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, and Howard A., the youngest child, is attending the Ashtabula Harbor High School.

Elta B. Lynn has been identified with the real estate business a number of years, and at Ashtabula has developed a business service that is probably the most efficient and successful of any field.

Mr. Lynn was born at Espyville, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, June 19, 1869, and represents one of the old Colonial families of that state. His father, Joseph Lynn, spent all his life in Crawford County, where he was born in 1829 and died in 1889. His home was at Espyville, and he owned and operated a farm in that vicinity. He was a republican, and a very generous supporter of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His second wife was Nancy Bennett, who was born in Crawford County in 1842 and died at Ashtabula, Ohio, in 1913. She was the mother of four children: Frank, who is in the real estate business in New York City; Charles A., a farmer at Richmond Center, Ohio; Dr. Sylvester M., an Ashtabula physician; and Elta B.

Elta B. Lynn spent his boyhood days on his father's farm in Crawford County, Pennsylvania, attending the public schools and was graduated from the high school at Linesville in 1887. Since leaving school over thirty-five years ago he has been continuously identified with some form of commercial enterprise. For five years he clerked in a shoe store at Conneaut, Ohio, for two years was in the shoe department of the Barnes-Henniger Company, now known as the Williams- Henniger Company, of Buffalo, New York, and leaving there he moved to Geneva, Ohio, and bought a drug store, continuing that business until 1901. During the next ten years Mr. Lynn engaged in the real estate business in the City of Cleveland, and from there came to Ashtabula in 1911. He has his offices in the Cook's Arcade, at 154 Main Street, and he individually owns some valuable real estate in Ashtabula and vicinity, including his own home on West Prospect Street.

Mr. Lynn is a republican, is affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is a member of Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. On May 16, 1901, at Geneva, Ohio, he married Miss Jessie Corbett, daughter of George and Henrietta (Nickels) Corbett, now deceased. Her father was a mechanic. Mrs. Lynn is a graduate of the Geneva High School. They have one child, Louise, now attending Ohio Wesleyan University.

Joseph Hulbert Rice trained himself for the profession of civil engineering, and for several years was engaged in railroad and marine construction, until he took the management of the family interests in the greenhouse industry at Ashtabula. He is secretary and general manager of the Griswold Greenhouse Company, Incorporated, one of the largest growers of vegetables under glass in Northern Ohio.

Mr. Rice was born at Ashtabula, September 8, 1873, and on both sides represents pioneer families of Northern Ohio. The Rices came from Holland and

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were Colonial settlers in Pennsylvania. His grandfather, Peter James Rice, was born in Pennsylvania, in 1806, and as a young man came to Ohio and located at North Amherst, where he owned and operated a farm. About 1860 he moved to Ashtabula, where he established a pioneer factory for the manufacture of agricultural implements. Leaving Ohio in 1875, he went to Tabor, Iowa, and reengaged in farming, but in 1878 returned to Ohio and lived retired at Oberlin until his death in 1887. His wife was Eliza Townsend, who died at Tabor, Iowa, in 1877.

Milo L. Rice, father of Joseph H., was born at Amherst in Lorain County, April 9, 1849, and was reared in his native village. He finished his education in Oberlin College, and moved to Ashtabula. For the greater part of his life he was engaged in real estate business, and was the medium of an immense volume of business in that line. For many years he was also collector of internal revenue at the Port of Ashtabula, served on the City Council, and was an active republican. Milo L. Rice died at Ashtabula November 24, 1913. He married Eliza M. Hulbert, who was born at Ashtabula, October 28, 1850, and died in that city October 11, 1916. Her ancestors came to America with the founders of the colony of Saybrook, Connecticut. Her father, Joseph Dewey Hulbert, was born at Holland Patent, New York, in 1808, moved to Ashtabula as a young man, and lived in that city until his death on April 17, 1897. Joseph Hulbert married Lucinda Chadwick Hall, who was born at Ashtabula, Ohio, and died there. Joseph D. Hulbert at Ashtabula was associated with his brother-in-law, Henry Hubbard, under the name of Hubbard and Company, operating an extensive fleet of vessels on the Great Lakes.

Joseph Hulbert Rice is the older of two children. His brother, Milo Sanford, lives at Pasadena, California, and is sales manager for Renshaw-Jones-Sutton & Company, manufacturers of paper boxes and shipping cartons. Joseph H. Rice while a boy attended the public schools at Ashtabula, and later attended Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland, where he graduated Bachelor of Science with the class of 1896. In 1902, in recognition of his work in railroad and marine construction, Case conferred upon him the degree Civil Engineer. At Case he became a charter member of the Phi Delta Theta Greek letter fraternity. After leaving college Mr. Rice for a brief time was with an engineering party locating the shore line of the C. P. & E. Electric Railway Company, and for eight years was assistant engineer with the New York Central Lines in charge of construction work and with headquarters at Cleveland. In 1904 he became superintendent of the Dow Chemical Company at Mount Pleasant, Michigan, but two years later took charge of the investments of his family in the greenhouse industry at Ashtabula. In 1906 he was the primary factor in organizing the Griswold Greenhouse Company, Incorporated, and for nearly twenty years has been secretary and general manager. This company specializes in the growing of cucumbers and tomatoes under glass, and has about 300,000 square feet under glass, the greenhouse being located on Woodman Avenue, along the Nickel Plate Railway.

During the World war Mr. Rice served in an advisory capacity to the Council of National Defense, and was also one of the citizen volunteers for the war work of the department of agriculture at Washington. He is a republican in politics, and a member of the Second Congregational Church of Ashtabula. He is prominent in Masonry, being affiliated with Rising Sun Lodge No. 22, Free and Accepted Masons, at Ashtabula, Western Reserve Chapter No. 8, Royal Arch Masons, Conneaut Council No. 40, Royal and Select Masters, at Conneaut, and is past eminent commander of Columbian Commandery No. 52, Knights Templar. He also belongs to Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite at Cleveland, and Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

On April 3, 1899, at Jacksonville, Florida, Mr. Rice married Miss Juliet Elizabeth Boalt, daughter of John M. and Fannie (Griswold) Boalt. Her father, now deceased, was president of the Sandusky Wheel Company. Mrs. Rice is a graduate of Ogontz College, a young ladies' seminary near Philadelphia. The two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Rice are Ethelinda Griswold and Lucinda Hulbert, both graduates of Simmons College at Boston, Massachusetts. Miss Ethelinda G. is now assistant in the science department in the Winthrop High School, Boston, Massachusetts. Miss Lucinda H. is on the faculty of Wellesley College, Wellesley, Massachusetts.

William A. Fisher has been prominently identified with the police and other law and order forces in the Youngstown district for many years. He is now a justice of the peace in Mahoning County.

He was born at Lowellville, Ohio, June 5, 1891, son of Joseph and Rose Fisher, natives of Italy. His father came to America and settled at Canton, Ohio, in 1871, being followed by his wife later, she having been nine weeks crossing the ocean on a sailing vessel. Joseph Fisher was a blast furnace worker, and in 1872 settled at Lowellville. William A. Fisher was reared in Lowellville, and attended the grammar and high schools in that city until he was about seventeen. Following that he put in five years of work in one of the blast furnaces of this district, and then went on the Lowellville police force as patrolman. A year and a half later he was elected city marshal, serving two terms, and later he was connected with the Street Railway Union for one and a half years, while for the following three years he was deputy sheriff under Ben Morris. He has had many narrow escapes. At Lowellville he was stabbed in the back and right hand by an insane man. On April 9, 1912, while marshal of Lowellville, he was shot at his home while eating supper, supposedly this being the act of the black hand. On July 29, 1920, he was shot in the abdomen and right hand, and for two months was in the hospital. On November 7, 1920, he was elected justice of the peace of Poland Township, and has since held that office, his offices being at the corner of Boardman and Phelps Street in Youngstown.

Mr. Fisher married, January 9, 1910, Miss Ida Orlando, a native of Italy, but reared in South America. Their children are Joseph Carmen, Percy, Rose, Robert Haigne, Woodrow Wilson and Virginia. Mr. Fisher was reared a Catholic. He is a republican, is affiliated with Lowellville Lodge No. 537, Knights of Pythias, with the Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Struthers, Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Protective Home Circle at Lowellville. He is vice president of the Justices and Constables Association of Ohio, and for one year was chief of police for the Youngstown Iron and Steel Company. His aunt, Mrs. Aramando, was cook for President McKinley while in the White House.

George H. Robertson, D. D. S., has had a specially wide and varied experience in the work of his profession, including his technical service in connection with the World war, and he now operates two of the most modern of dental offices—one in his home City of Dayton, Montgomery County, and the other in the City of Middleton, Butler County.

Doctor Robertson is a representative of a family that has given many skilled practitioners to the dental profession. His father, Dr. Lucius Robertson, was engaged in the practice of dentistry in the City of

Cincinnati for a period of more than sixty years, was a leader in his profession in Ohio, and had the distinction of being the first dentist in the state to administer gas in connection with the extraction of teeth. Dr. E. L. Robertson was engaged in the practice of dentistry in London, England, for twenty-five years, and is now in practice at Dayton, Ohio. Dr. O. T. Robertson, a brother of the subject of this review, has been for many years a prominent dentist in the City of Cincinnati. It may further be noted that Dr. E. T. Broadwell, a brother-in-law of Dr. O. T. Robertson, is associated with him in practice at Cincinnati.

Dr. George H. Robertson was born at Newport, Kentucky, October 11, 1866, and is a son of Dr. Lucius and Mary E. Robertson, the former a native of Granville, Licking County, Ohio, and the latter of Wheeling, West Virginia. The parents were residents of Cincinnati at the time of their death.

In the public schools of Cincinnati Dr. George H. Robertson continued his studies until he had profited by the curriculum of the high school, and in that city he was thereafter graduated in St. Xavier Academy, as a member of the class of 1885. In Cincinnati also he entered the Ohio Dental College, and in this well ordered institution he was graduated in 1888. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery he was for ten years associated with his father in practice at Cincinnati, and in 1898 he was appointed post dentist at Camp Columbia, Quemodas, Cuba, where he thus continued his service until 1901. From that year forward to 1913 he was engaged in active private practice in the City of Havana, Cuba, and he then returned to the United States and established his residence in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he continued his professional activities two years. He then returned to Ohio and established his home at Dayton, where he has since continued in successful practice, his office here, with six operating chairs, being of the most modern equipment, as is also his office in Middletown, where four chairs are demanded in the handling of the substantial business. The Dayton office is at the southwest corner of Third and Williams streets, and the Middletown office is at the southwest corner of Central Avenue and Main Street. Doctor Robertson employs only skilled assistants, and is insistent in giving the high-grade service that insures satisfaction to clients and that incidentally proves the best of business assets. The doctor is a member of the Protective Dental Association, and is affiliated with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is now a veteran in his profession, and it may be noted that in his practice he has continuously maintained the most approved facilities for anaesthetic-gas administration during the course of more than thirty years—in fact, since 1888.

In Dayton Doctor Robertson has an idyllic home, at 1139 Platt Circle, and he takes special care and pride in making his grounds beautiful through the medium of well kept lawns and the cultivation of flowers and shrubbery. In 1923 he won first prize for the most attractive residence grounds in his district of the fair City of Dayton. It may further be stated that this beautiful family home is known for its refined and generous hospitality and its atmosphere of good cheer.

The year 1915 recorded the marriage of Doctor Robertson and Miss Marion C. Willard, a daughter of Henry Willard, of Albany, New York, in which city Mrs. Robertson was reared and educated. Doctor and Mrs. Robertson have two sons, George H., Jr., who is six years of age at the time of this writing, in the spring of 1924; and Earl M., born April 21, 1924.

WINCHESTER H. BOONE, president and manager of the Marietta Furniture Company, was a native of Ohio, and represents the Pennsylvania branch of the Boone family that came out of England, and which furnished the pioneer frontiersman and Indian fighter, Daniel Boone.

Winchester H. Boone was born on a farm at Crooked Tree, ten miles west of Caldwell, Noble County, in August, 1877. His great-grandfather was of Quaker stock, and came from Pennsylvania to Ohio. Samuel Boone, grandfather of the Marietta business man, was a Methodist, and gave a tract of land where Crooked Tree Church and Cemetery is now located. William Boone, son of Samuel and father of Winchester H., was born in 1846, became a successful farmer, was a man of retiring disposition, and died in February, 1923. His brother George was quite active in republican politics in Noble County. William Boone married Frances Smith, who was born near Elba, Washington County, Ohio, in 1849, and still lives at the old homestead at Crooked Tree. She is the mother of two children, Minnie, wife of H. S. Shriner, near Caldwell; and Winchester H.

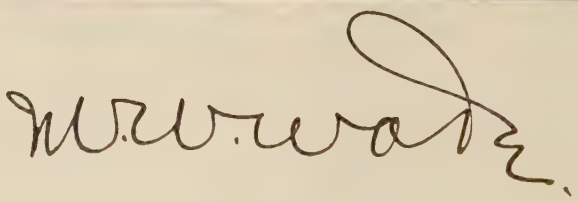
Winchester H. Boone was reared in the vicinity of Crooked Tree, and attended the schoolhouse there, a building replacing that which his grandfather had helped build. Later he attended the Macksburg and Lowell High Schools, and for five years was a teacher, being for four years of that time principal of schools at Good Hope and in Washington County. After leaving school work he became associated with S. A. Mullikin in the publishing business at Marietta, their publishing being limited to purity books. It was a profitable business for the partners, and was continued twelve years, from 1905 to 1917.

The partners were also associated in the ownership of the Marietta Furniture Company. Finally, in 1917, Mr. Boone exchanged his interest in the publishing business for Mr. Mullikin's interest in the furniture store, and has since been sole proprietor of the latter business. It is known as the triangle store, dealing in furniture and floor coverings, and also in musical merchandise.

Mr. Boone married, in September, 1901, Miss Lottie R. Matthews, of Crooked Tree, daughter of Oscar Matthews. She and he were schoolmates when children. They have five children, Bernard I., Forrest I., H. Kenneth, Winchester L., and Frances J. The son, Bernard, is now associated with his father in business. Mr. Boone is a member of the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and former superintendent of the local Sunday school. He is affiliated with Lodge No. 390 of the Masonic Order of Marietta, the Royal Arch Chapter, the Council, the Knights Templar Commandery, the Scottish Rite Consistory at Cincinnati, also Syrian Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cincinnati. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias, the Rotary Club, and is a republican in politics.

HERMAN R. WESCHER conducts one of the leading undertaking establishments in his native city of Dayton, and his headquarters, modern in every equipment and facility, are established at 621 Warren Street. As a mortician and funeral director he has here been engaged in business since 1917, and he is one of the prominent representatives of this line of important business enterprise in Montgomery County.

Mr. Wescher was born at Dayton, on the 17th of December, 1893, a son of William F. and Mary L. (Ruff) Wescher. The public schools of his native city afforded Herman R. Wescher his early education, and later he reinforced himself for the profession and business of his choice by completing a course in the Columbus Training School of Embalming in the Ohio capital city, after which he was duly licensed as an embalmer, under the provisions of the Ohio law. Prior to engaging in his present business Mr. Wescher had learned and followed the trade of patternmaker,



and had been employed about nine years by the National Cash Register Company and the Delco Company, at Dayton. In March, 1917, as junior member of the firm of West & Wescher, he was associated in the opening of an undertaking establishment at 703 Washington Street, the firm later removing to 607 of that street. In March, 1918, Mr. Wescher purchased his partner's interest in the business, which he thereafter continued at 607 Washington Street until May, 1922, when he moved to 919 Brown Street, and in 1922 to his present admirably equipped and appointed funeral parlors at 621 Warren Street. Has facilities include automobile ambulance and hearse, and all other provisions of the best metropolitan standard.

Mr. Wescher is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Junior Order United American Mechanics, the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and the Patternmakers Union. He, like his parents, is a communicant of Hope Lutheran Church, and in the affairs of this church he is an active and earnest worker.

On April 22, 1924, Mr. Wescher married Miss Elsie Landis, a native of Ohio, and a daughter of Harper Landis, a well known citizen of Mercer County.

Charles W. Moore is a member of the firm of Spivey and Moore, funeral directors at Dayton, a business that has been in existence for a number of years and represents every detail of the perfect funeral service. The firm has remodeled a beautiful residence, and among other facilities has two ambulances.

Charles W. Moore, the younger member of the firm, was born at Sabina, Ohio, March 30, 1894, son of W. H. and Rosa E. Moore, of Leesburg, Ohio. His father has been in the buggy and harness business. Charles W. Moore was educated in the grammar and high schools of Sabina, and in 1920 graduated from the Cincinnati College of Embalming and was licensed under the Ohio laws the same year.

However, he has been identified with the undertaking business since 1912, first at Leesburg. When he formed the partnership with Earl C. Spivey, of Dayton, he took charge of the branch house of the firm of Spivey and Moore at Eaton, remaining there a year. Mr. Spivey had been in business at Dayton since 1911. He died February 15, 1924, at which time Mr. Moore closed the Eaton branch and took charge of the main business at Dayton, continuing the partnership with the widow, Mrs. Laura B. Spivey.

Mr. Moore married, July 19, 1914, at Leesburg, Ohio, Miss Roxa Barrett, daughter of Adam and Imogene (Moorehead) Barrett. They have two children, Frances Anita, born in 1916, and Donald Eugene, born in 1922. Mr. Moore is a member of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, and of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Laura B. Spivey, who was married to the late Earl C. Spivey in August, 1912, is the daughter of Walker and Mary Barto. Her father was in the dairy business at Dayton. Mrs. Spivey is a member of the Daughters of America and the Rebekahs, of the Third Street Baptist Church, and is active in the missionary societies. She has two daughters, Irene, born in 1916, and Janet, born in 1920.

John F. Harris is proprietor of the Harris Funeral Home at 825 East Fifth Street in Dayton. He has been in the undertaking business for many years, and has built up one of the most complete institutions and services of the kind in the state.

Mr. Harris was born at Dayton, in September, 1860, son of Thomas and Margaret Harris, now deceased. His father was in the shoe business at Dayton for many years. John F. Harris as a boy attended Saint Joseph's School in Dayton, and then began an apprenticeship at the trade of steam and gas fitter. For several years he was employed by the firm of Barney and Smith, interrupting this service to become assistant superintendent of the street water system of Dayton. After a year he returned to Barney and Smith as foreman of the steam fitting department, and was with that firm for ten years. After that for about four years Mr. Harris was in the gas and steam fitting business for himself.

In September, 1898, he opened his first undertaking establishment, at 829 Fifth Street, moving from there to larger quarters at 825 Fifth Street in 1914. Mr. Harris is a member of the Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Order of Bears and the Automobile Club. For many years he has been connected with the Chamber of Commerce.

On November 1, 1912, Mr. Harris was one of the original incorporators of the Dayton Savings and Banking Company, and has been connected as a director with that institution ever since. This bank is now controlled by the Dayton Savings and Trust Company. Mr. Harris married Miss Mary Maloney, of Greenville, Ohio.

Madison Wright Wade is one of the veterans of the profession of photography in America, and has been known to members of the profession for many years on account of his original work. For many years he has had his studio in Youngstown, and is widely known as a specialist in infant photography.

He was born at Logan, in Hocking County, Ohio, June 1, 1866, son of Edward and Elizabeth (Wright) Wade. His parents were born in Muskingum County, Ohio, and his father spent his life as a farmer and traveling medicine man, dying at Columbus, while his wife died at Logan.

Madison Wright Wade was educated in local schools and in the Ohio Northern University of Ada. In 1886, when he was twenty years of age, he went to Kansas City, Missouri, and spent three years in photographic work, and while there originated a novelty that attracted great attention for some years, known as the "Ping Pong" pictures, and he traveled all over the western states making the picture. After two years in the West he opened a studio at Canton, Ohio, establishing branch offices at Akron, Mansfield, Cleveland and Columbus. In 1904 he disposed of all these offices and established his studio at 17 W. Federal Street, Youngstown, where he continues his work.

He is a member of the Photographers Association of America, and has served on some of its committees and has demonstrated baby and children photography before different international conventions. Mr. Wade has never married. He is a Methodist, a republican, and affiliated with Youngstown Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Knights of the Maccabees.

Mr. Wade has two completely equipped camera rooms in his studio, this being the only studio so equipped in the Mahoning Valley. One room is used for ladies and children, while the other is given over to adults, groups, weddings and home portraits.

Hon. Thomas R. Stevens, member of the Ohio Legislature from Montgomery County, has been a successful and popular business man of that location, where for over a quarter of a century he has conducted a commercial printing business.

Mr. Stevens was born at New Waverly, Indiana, January 15, 1874, son of James C. and Anzonetta (Cox) Stevens. After completing the eighth grade of public schools he had to give up any idea of further schooling and go to work, contributing to his own support and to aid his parents. For five years he

was employed by the Reynolds and Reynolds Printing Company of Dayton, and for about three years was an employe of the United Brethren Printing Company. It was in 1898 that Mr. Stevens established a modest job printing office of his own, and has kept that business growing and has maintained it as one of the most efficient establishments of its kind in Southwestern Ohio. The home of his business is 100 North Broadway Street.

Mr. Stevens has filled the chairs in the Junior Order United American Mechanics, and is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the First Christian Church, for many years was secretary of its Sunday school and secretary of the Men's Bible Class.

He was republican nominee for the Legislature in 1916, but was defeated that year. In 1922 he was nominated and was elected by over 2,000 majority. In the following General Assembly he was made a member of the cities and county affairs and the public utilities committees. He proved a good thinker, a hard worker and rendered some excellent assistance in forwarding the legislative program of that session. He introduced and made a strong fight for a bill to exempt from taxation Spanish war veterans. He was also a strong advocate of measures to force publication of all property listed for taxation so the public may see who the slackers are under the tax laws.

Mr. Stevens married, in 1900, at Dayton, Miss Lillian B. Stuckey, daughter of O. W. Stuckey, of Dayton, who was a Civil war veteran, being with Sherman on the march to the sea. Her mother was Margaret (Lehman) Stuckey. Mrs. Stevens is a member of the Woman's Republican clubs of Montgomery County, and is a member of the choir of the Christian Church. They have two children. Thomas R., Jr., educated in the Dayton High School and Defiance College, is now associated with his father in the printing business. The daughter, Miss Helen I., a graduate of high school, completed her course with the class of 1924 in Miami University at Oxford, Ohio.

JESSE A. MCCONAUGHY has been identified with the business life of Dayton for nearly a quarter of a century. His business during most of his time has been as a funeral director, and he is proprietor of one of the leading establishments of that kind in that city.

He was born in Brown County, Ohio, August 11, 1868, son of John C. and Ellen Jane (Hodlins) McConaughy. His parents, who spent their lives as farmers, died in 1923, the father at the age of eighty-six and the mother at eighty-three. Jesse McConaughy grew up on a farm in Southern Ohio, attended country schools, and farming was his regular vocation for a number of years. Moving to Dayton in 1901, he spent about a year in the dairy business, and for over six years was connected with the National Cash Register Company.

Mr. McConaughy in 1907 graduated from the Cincinnati College of Embalming, was licensed under the Ohio laws in 1908, and for two years following was associated with one of the leading undertaking firms of Dayton. He then opened a business of his own, and has his funeral home at 1446 West Third Street, having a building with fourteen rooms, devoted to the various departments of the service. Mr. McConaughy is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Junior Order United American Mechanics, and takes an active part in the Euclid Avenue United Brethren Church.

He married, in 1896, Miss Mabel Cropper, of Brown County, daughter of Lige and Albertina (Louden) Cropper, the former being deceased. Her father was a teacher, a very able educator and also a noted musician. Mrs. McConaughy is a member of the Missionary Society, the Ladies' Aid Society and the Otterbein Guild, and is very active in the United Brethren Church. Mr. and Mrs. McConaughy have two children. Miss Rhea M., born in 1900, graduated from the Dayton High School, from Otterbein University with the class of 1923, and is now a teacher of the fifth and sixth grades in the Kemp District School and also teaches in Sunday school and has a prominent part in certain literary affairs. She is president of the Girls' Missionary Association of the Euclid Avenue United Brethren Church, is a member of Dayton Chapter of Alpha Iota Alpha Sorority, belongs to the Alpha Literary Society, the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the National Educational Association. The son, Gwynne H. McConaughy, born in 1906, is a graduate of the Dayton High School, and is now a student in Otterbein University.

GEORGE F. BRADFORD is a member of the firm of Bradford and Routsong, funeral directors at Dayton. This firm has a well organized personnel and service, having their funeral home in a large brick building of sixteen rooms, with every equipment for their work.

George F. Bradford was born in Montgomery County, Ohio, May 18, 1893, son of Sherry and Anna (Rice) Bradford. His father is deceased. His early education was acquired in the rural schools, and two years of his early manhood were devoted to farming. Moving to Dayton in 1914, he has since been engaged in the undertaking business, and in 1915 established his headquarters in the building now occupied by the firm. He was licensed under the state law as an embalmer February 18, 1918.

Mr. Bradford is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Lions Club, Triangle Club and Reformed Church. He married Miss Hazel Routsong, of Montgomery County, daughter of Edward and Anna (Kohl) Routsong and a sister of his partner, Carl T. Routsong. They have one daughter, Dorothy Anna, born in 1919.

Carl T. Routsong, member of the firm of Bradford and Routsong, was born in Montgomery County, January 6, 1889, son of Edward and Anna (Kohl) Routsong. He attended rural schools, for several years was a traveling salesman, and spent ten years in the mail service. Locating at Dayton in 1916, he continued his work as a salesman for two years, and in 1918 formed a partnership with George F. Bradford in the undertaking business. He was licensed as an embalmer in 1919.

Mr. Routsong is a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of Antioch Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Dayton, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Exchange Club and Reformed Church. He married Miss Blanche Barr, of Van Buren Township, Montgomery County, daughter of George W. and Catherine (Smallwood) Barr.

STUART N. AUSTIN is one of the young, progressive men in the citizenship of Chardon, is postmaster of that town, and during the World war gave service in the navy.

He was born at Montville in Geauga County, January 13, 1891. The Austin family is of English ancestry, and settled in Connecticut and from that state came to Ohio in pioneer times. His grandfather, Newton Austin, was a lifelong resident of Montville in Geauga County, where he owned and operated a farm. His wife was Amoret Stevens, likewise a native of Montville. Dwight A. Austin, father of the Chardon postmaster, was born at Montville, May 1, 1863, and for over twenty years, until he retired recently, was prominently identified with the official affairs of the county seat. He was reared and married at Montville, conducted a mercantile establishment there, but in

George E. Hinds.

August, 1902, moved to Chardon, to serve four years as county treasurer. After leaving that office he was deputy county treasurer four years, then served another term of two years, and continued a member of the official circle in the courthouse at Chardon as deputy county auditor until 1923, when he retired. He is a republican, is a past master of Chardon Lodge No. 93, Free and Accepted Masons, is a member of the Grand Masters Association of Ohio, is a past high priest of Chardon Chapter No. 106, Royal Arch Masons, is a charter member and past chancellor commander of Chardon Lodge No. 731, Knights of Pythias, and is a charter member of the Kiwanis Club.

Dwight A. Austin married Mattie L. Whitney, who was born at Montville in 1873. They have two children, Stuart N. and Miss Florence A.

Stuart N. Austin attended public schools in Montville until he was twelve years of age, and after that continued his schooling in Chardon. He graduated from high school with the class of 1910, and spent one year in Ohio State University at Columbus. Returning home, he was for two years deputy county treasurer under his father, and then became a clerk in the dry goods store of his brother-in-law, C. W. Goodrich.

He resigned his position, and on May 17, 1917, enlisted in the United States Navy. He became a first class petty officer, and was in active duty on a ship patrolling the Mexican and Cuban waters. He received his honorable discharge December 28, 1918, and after his return home again became associated with the Goodrich dry goods business. On January 1, 1922, he took charge of the postoffice at Chardon as postmaster, having been appointed during the republican administration of Mr. Harding.

Mr. Austin is a member of the Chardon Congregational Church, and is the present worshipful master of Chardon Lodge No. 93, Free and Accepted Masons. He also belongs to Chardon Chapter No. 106, Royal Arch Masons; Chardon Lodge No. 731, Knights of Pythias, and is past grand of Chardon Lodge No. 213, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. At the university he was a member of the Sigma Pi fraternity, and is a charter member of Chardon Kiwanis Club and a charter member of Chardon Post No. 167 of the American Legion.

Mr. Austin owns a good home at 208 North Hampden Street in Chardon. He married in his home community, December 31, 1917, Miss Lucile Goodrich, daughter of Wesley A. and Ella (Collins) Goodrich, residents of Chardon. Her father until he retired was a real estate operator and owner of extensive property in Geauga County. Mr. and Mrs. Austin have one child, Matilda Ann, born March 16, 1923.

George Erastus Hinds, who spent practically all his life at Kent, was regarded by his acquaintances and associates as a man singularly gifted in business, high minded, public spirited and fulfilling his obligations with utmost diligence.

He was born at Kent, July 13, 1850, son of Erastus Chenery and Emily (Rouse) Hinds, his father a native of Connecticut and his mother of Chautauqua County, New York. The grandfather, Chenery Hinds, who was an early settler in Portage County, Ohio, located in Brimfield Township. Erastus Chenery Hinds after his marriage located at Kent. He was a cooper by trade, and for many years was employed in the Erie Railway shops. He died at Kent. There were two children, George E. and Carrie, but the latter died in early womanhood, at the age of twenty-two.

George Erastus Hinds attended the grammar school at Kent, and the Spencerian Business College at Geneva, Ohio, and was only fifteen years of age when he went to work as a messenger boy in railway offices. Then followed a service of more than a third of a century with what is now the Erie System. His first employer, however, was with the Atlantic & Great Western Railway. This subsequently was taken over by the New York, Pennsylvania & Ohio Railroad, and these lines were later consolidated with the Erie Railway. From messenger boy Mr. Hinds was promoted on the score of faithfulness and ability to storekeeper, clerk of the shops, chief clerk of the railway shops, and in June, 1876, to passenger, freight and express agent at Kent. This last position was one of important responsibility, and he discharged his duties at Kent for a third of a century.

He had been in the service of the railroad for nearly thirty-seven years when he resigned in 1904 to become cashier of the Kent National Bank. As a banker he accepted many opportunities for serving not only his institution but the welfare of the business community, and came to be esteemed by all for his integrity and good judgment. His death on July 2, 1922, was a real loss to a community where he had lived uprightly for over seventy years.

Mr. Hinds had something more than the ordinary sense of responsibility to the city that was his home. For many years he was a member of the Kent School Board, manifesting a deep interest in good schools. He was director of the Carnegie Library Board. He and others were instrumental in obtaining this library for the City of Kent. In earlier years he had acted as librarian in charge of the distribution of books at the old Atlantic & Great Western Railroad Library. His own work and influence did much to make that a real and important source of culture to the employes of the railway. After his regular day's work at the railroad he remained after hours serving as librarian. Through his efforts the library was turned over to the city and became a part of the Carnegie Library, of which he was a director until a few years prior to his death. He was a republican in politics, was a Knight Templar Mason and for over thirty years secretary of the local Masonic lodge, and also belonged to the Eastern Star.

Mr. Hinds married, September 15, 1875, Ann Selina Jerome, who was born at Edinburg, Portage County, Ohio, November 16, 1852, daughter of William Redfield and Selina Maria (Botsford) Jerome, her father a native of Rootstown Township and her mother of Edinburg Township of Portage County. Her grandparents, Sylvester and Mary (Redfield) Jerome, were natives of Connecticut, and her maternal grandparents were Harvey and Lucy (Northrup) Botsford, also born in the New England states, and all of them became pioneers of Portage County, Ohio, the Redfield family arriving with ox teams. Her grandfather Jerome bought a tract of timber land for a farm in the southeast corner of Rootstown Township, and improved that land, clearing away the timber. Mrs. Hinds' father owned a farm in the northwest corner of Atwater Township, but died there at the early age of twenty-eight, on November 10, 1852. Her mother afterward married Samuel Craig, a farmer and carpenter, and lived in the south part of Atwater Township. Mrs. Hinds was reared by her mother until she was five years of age, and then made her home with her grandparents Jerome until she was about fourteen. Her subsequent education was acquired in the schools of Mount Union, Ohio, and the Union schools at Ravenna. Her home has been in Kent since she was seventeen years of age.

The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Hinds were: Jessie Mary, Mrs. Marcus Burt Spelman of Kent; Albert Jerome, who died in 1897, at the age of nineteen; William Jerome of Springfield, Ohio; George W., of Kent; and Carrie Emily, who lives at home with her mother and is also assistant cashier of the Kent National Bank.

After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Hinds lived for two years on Carthage Avenue, and then bought

ten acres, including a fine home which they remodeled. At this place they resided thirty-one years. In 1909 the property was traded for one of the apartment blocks now owned by Mrs. Hinds, and three years later they erected a three apartment terrace building at the corner of West Main and Prospect streets. Mrs. Hinds is a charter member of the Eastern Star Chapter and belongs to the White Shrine, and is also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Travelers Club.

Dan Millikin, M. D. The career of singular devotion and service to his fellowmen is the life of Dr. Dan Millikin of Hamilton, who deserves a record in every biographical work of eminent Ohioans.

Doctor Millikin was of Scotch-Irish ancestry. While there are many families with different spellings of the name in America, all of them traced back to a common origin. Some of them have been in this country since the early Colonial period, and they have been represented in all the wars of the nation. It is said that more than one hundred soldiers bearing the name were represented on both sides of the struggle between the North and the South. The direct ancestor of Doctor Millikin in America was James Millikin, born in 1727, died at Dormore, April 17, 1789. He married Martha Hamphill, born in 1729, died May 12, 1800, and they had nine children: James, William, John, Mary, David, Martha, Samuel, Nancy and Robert. James, son of James and Martha (Hemphill) Millikin, was born in County Antrim, Ireland, January 27, 1752, and married, March 31, 1778, Dolly McFarland, born June 6, 1762. In 1771 he came to America and settled on Ten Mile Creek, Amwell Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania, and died July 30, 1821. He and his wife had eleven children. Daniel Millikin, their eldest son, was born in the Washington County home, February 4, 1779. He married, December 31, 1801, Joan Minor, of a staunch New England family, which had come to the colonies soon after the arrival of the Mayflower. When eighteen years of age Daniel Millikin was sent by his parents to Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Washington County, Pennsylvania, where he remained over a year devoting some time to the study of languages preparatory to the study of medicine. He then began a course under Dr. James Bell, of Greensboro, Pennsylvania, and commenced practice at his early home, but moved later, by way of the Monongahela, to Cincinnati by flatboat, and reached Hamilton May 7, 1807. He was the earliest permanent practitioner at Hamilton, and "Old Doctor Dan" became widely known and greatly beloved all over the countryside. He was a surgeon in the regiment of Colonel Mills during the War of 1812, and for a time was acting quartermaster. He served as trustee at Miami University for many years, and in 1816 was a member of the House of Representatives. He was likewise a major-general of the Third Division of State Militia, and served as associate judge (or wooden head) of the Common Pleas Court for three terms. He died at Hamilton, November 3, 1849, the father of twelve children, of whom four were by his second wife, Ellen Curry, who survived him.

John Minor Millikin, second son of Daniel Millikin, was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, October 14, 1804, and came to Hamilton with his father as a child. He married, September 6, 1831, Mary G., only daughter of Joseph and Jane (Hunter) Hough. After being instructed by Doctor Proudfit, of Hamilton, Maj. John M. Millikin returned to his birthplace in 1824 and entered Washington College. He subsequently studied law with Jesse Corwin, of Hamilton, and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1827. At that time he formed a partnership with William Bebb, who afterward became governor of the state; but this relation was dissolved in 1844 and Mr. Millikin retired to his farm three miles east of Hamilton, to recruit his health. He did not return to legal practice but became much interested in agriculture, contributing many able papers to the farm journals. For many years his farm was a model one. In 1846 he was a member of the State Board of Equalization, and in 1856 was made a member of the State Board of Agriculture, and was twice reelected, being president of the board one year. In 1860 he was appointed a trustee of Miami University, a capacity in which he served until his death, and in 1873 was named one of the commissioners to make a treaty with the Creek Indians. In 1876-77 he was state treasurer. His death occurred April 9, 1884. Major Millikin was the father of six children: Joseph Hough, born July 5, 1832, died October 3, 1838; Col. Minor M., born July 9, 1834, was killed at the Battle of Stone River December 31, 1862; Mary Jane, born January 29, 1837, died September 23, 1838; Joseph, born January 28, 1840, died November 4, 1883; Mary Ella, born March 19, 1843, died October 17, 1870; and Dan was born April 17, 1845, in Fairfield Township, Butler County, youngest of the six children of Maj. John M. Millikin.

His boyhood and youth were passed at his father's country home, where he was surrounded by all that a cultured home could give. His natural love of learning inclining him to employ his leisure moments profitably, he gained in his youth a fund of knowledge not often acquired by boys of his age. As a little lad, with his pony and books, he would spend whole days in the woods surrounding his home, acquiring a thorough acquaintance with nature. He knew at an early age every tree and shrub that grew, and his knowledge of the birds and insects was a marvel to everyone. The studious habits of childhood remained with him throughout life, and he ever considered a day wasted in which he did not accomplish some reading and study. After graduating in 1862 from the local high school in 1863-66 he was a student in the Sheffield School of Yale College. During this time, as an ardent supporter of the cause of the Union and ever earnest in its uplift and upholding, he served for a brief period as a member of the "Squirrel Hunters" in the dark days of the Civil war. After his marriage, at the age of twenty-one years, he settled down on his father's farm, where he did horticultural work and passed his leisure time in study and writing. During the summer of 1872, the year of the Greeley campaign, while on a visit with his family at Minneapolis, Doctor Millikin contributed many editorials to the Minneapolis Times, a paper devoted to Horace Greeley, and edited by Pliny Bartlett, formerly of Hamilton. The journalistic fever was now very strong with him; life on the farm hardly afforded the opportunities desired, and he sought a larger sphere. It was a choice between journalism, law and medicine, and he chose the last named.

After graduating with honor in 1875 from the Miami Medical College of Cincinnati, he began the actual practice of his calling at the age of twenty-nine years, and rapidly acquired a large lucrative and important professional business. His devotion to his work was unflagging, while his success came as the result of his ability and assiduous application. He taught in his alma mater, Miami Medical College, from 1884, first holding the chair of Medical Chemistry, then of Materia Medica and Therapeutics, and finally the chair of Medical Jurisprudence. He was elected to the presidency of the Ohio State Medical Society in 1895-96, was a member of the American, Union District, and Butler County Medical societies, and from December 31, 1906, until December 31,

1913, was president of the Board of Education, and was a strong governing force in placing the public schools of Hamilton upon the high plane they occupy today. A profound student, widely read on topics of the times and in a wide range of literature, scientific, economical and medical, his services were much in demand as a contributor to literary and scientific journals, and his lectures were of the utmost interest. He was not only a man of science and professional attainments, but a man of letters, having a recondite knowledge along general lines of thought. He was a prolific writer of pedagogics, especially along physiological lines, and delivered many addresses on that and kindred subjects. Doctor Millikin was appointed a trustee of Miami University by President McKinley, then governor of Ohio.

For many years, up to the time of his death, Doctor Millikin was a member of the State Forestry Board, and shortly after his marriage wrote a prize essay on the preservation of the forests, which was published by the state. He read a paper, "The Ruin of the Hills," at the meeting of the Ohio State Forestry Association at Columbus January 15, 1888, which was published. "Doctor Dan" possessed one of the finest private libraries on literary and scientific subjects in the state. But it was not so much for his great professional ability and brilliant attainments that he was so well loved, as it was for his fine personality, his splendid and manly charm of character, his forcefulness and geniality, his cheerfulness and good humor, his willingness at all times to lend himself to the cause of charity and to the advancement of all that tended to make men happier and conditions better. A contemporary writer said: "The name of Dr. Dan Millikin stands for many things. We think of him as the man of many gifts —physician, lecturer, writer and a walking encyclopedia to whom the whole town might turn for knowledge upon any subject, and, busy man that he was, he always took time to give the needed information, even to the humblest inquirer. Yet, neither as scientist, lecturer or scholar will 'Doctor Dan' be remembered best by some of us—but in a much humbler role—as 'Gankie,' the mender of dolls and toys. The childish lips which found 'Grandpa' too long and dignified a name, so shortened it in comradeship to 'Gankie'—christened the doctor for all time with his most beloved title. It was always to 'Gankie' that the broken toys were brought."

Doctor Millikin lived a full, active and happy life. During the last eighteen months of his earthly existence he was troubled by a pernicious anaemia, of the encroachments of which he was fully aware. He calmly and courageously faced the outcome, and when his spirit took its departure, June 5, 1914, his house was in order. His death came as a great and lasting sorrow to many hearts, and the City of Hamilton never has been called upon to mourn the loss of a distinguished citizen whose death occasioned as widespread sorrow. Said the Cincinnati Medical News: "It is difficult to refrain from the use of superlatives in speaking of services rendered to the medical profession—indeed, to humanity—by the late Dan Millikin. * * * The American Medical Association, the profession of Ohio and of Hamilton and Cincinnati lose a leading member, science loses a devoted follower, art a cultured patron, literature a valued contributor. The citizens of the entire country lose by his death one who always advocated and fought for the highest ideals of a member of a democratic community."

At the age of twenty-one years Doctor Millikin married Amanda, daughter of William and Anna (Jenifer) Hunter, pioneers of Hamilton, the Jenifers being an old family from Baltimore, Maryland. William Hunter, who was a well known business man and merchant of Hamilton, was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, in 1797, and came to Hamilton in 1807. In 1826 he located in Butler County, where in 1835 he was elected county treasurer, and subsequently served as president of the City Council of Hamilton. His death occurred in 1856. He was part owner of the old grist and flour mill that stood on the side now occupied by the part of the bridge that joins West Hamilton and Hamilton, and which later became known as the Morey mill. William and Anna Hunter had ten children, of whom five grew to maturity. Amanda, the youngest, became Mrs. Millikin. In private life, Dr. Dan Millikin was domestic in his tastes, his home life was ideal, and his friends were always welcomed at his home. He and his wife were schoolmates in early life, and he secured in her a companion fully suited to the qualities of his mind and character. To a large degree it was due to her ready sympathy and mental capacities that he was enabled to make for himself so noble a record as a physician and a citizen, and to their children have been transmitted those principles of honor and integrity which they made the rule of their lives.

Four children were born to Doctor and Mrs. Dan Millikin: Dr. Mark; Mary, who was married in 1894 to Thomas M. Beckett; Minor, who died in 1880; and Guy, who died in 1894.

Mark Millikin, M. D., only surviving son of Dr. John Millikin, has himself achieved some special distinction as a physician and surgeon. He was the first doctor to introduce the radium treatment in Butler County. While taking a special course in radio therapy at Pittsburgh he met Madam Curie, discoverer of radium, while she was on her tour of America. Dr. Mark Millikin now gives his special attention to general surgery.

In 1918 he entered in the National Army as a captain in the medical corps, and for a time was located at Camp Jackson, Columbia, South Carolina. He was sent overseas to France in charge of Base Hospital No. 136, and after the armistice was selected by the Government for a special course and was sent to the University of Bordeaux. He was mustered out in 1919.

Dr. Mark Millikin in 1893 married Miss May Beckett, and to their marriage were born six children: Frances, Katheleen, Madeleane, Neil, Ruth and Eleanor.

John Tryon Marshman, professor of oratory in Ohio Wesleyan University, has been a teacher for a quarter of a century, and has held the chair of public speaker in several of the best known colleges in the country.

Professor Marshman was born August 6, 1874, at Blooming Grove in Morrow County, Ohio, son of Daniel McGill and Caroline (Harding) Marshman. His parents were born in Morrow County. His mother is of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and an aunt of the late President Warren G. Harding. The Marshmans were English and settled in Massachusetts. Both families were represented in the Revolutionary war. One of the family whose life deserved to be remembered by every branch of the family was Rev. Joshua Marshman, who spent many years in foreign missionary work in India and set a high example of self sacrificing devotion to duty. The grandfather of Professor Marshman was a prominent man in the Presbyterian Church, holding the office of elder for a great many years. Daniel M. Marshman was a farmer in early life, but for many years has been a stockman with the Erie Railroad, at first at Galion and later at Marion, where he and his wife still reside.

John Tryon Marshman received most of his early

education in a two-room district school at Blooming Grove. He attended the Galion High School eleven weeks, and for two summer terms was a student in Wooster University, where he received a diploma in pedagogy in 1897. While attending summer college he taught district schools during the remainder of the year. For two years he taught in his home school at Blooming Grove, and spent two years at Iberia and in a district school in North Bloomfield Township. During 1897-98 Professor Marshman was principal of the eighth grade of the East Ward School at Galion, and in 1898-99 taught mathematics in the Galion High School. Professor Marshman took the full classical course in Ohio Wesleyan University, graduating Bachelor of Arts in June, 1905. Following that for one year he was teacher of English and literature in the Utah State Normal School at Cedar City. For four years he was professor of oratory in Heidelberg College at Tiffin, Ohio, and in the fall of 1910 returned to his alma mater as associate professor of oratory in Ohio Wesleyan. In 1914 he accepted a call to Penn State College as associate professor of English and public speaking, and was on the faculty of that great school for six years. Mr. Marshman in 1920 returned to Delaware, and has since been engaged in congenial duties among his old friends and associates as professor of oratory and head of the department. From 1912 to 1922 he did a great deal of Chautauqua work, both lecturing and for five years as superintendent.

Professor Marshman is a Presbyterian, and is a member of the Masonic Lodge. He married at Delaware in August, 1905, Jeanette Perry, daughter of Charles and Margaret (Henry) Perry. The Perrys were a pioneer family of Delaware County. Her father is a foreman in the shops of the Southern Pacific Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Marshman have five children: Margaret Darice, Robert Perry, Kathryn Elise, Alyce and John Harding.

Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral. One of the most beautiful and imposing church edifices of Ohio is the stately Roman Catholic Church of Saints Peter and Paul at Sandusky, the cornerstone of which was laid in 1866. The present incumbent of this parish is Rev. William F. Murphy who has been in charge since February 5, 1904, when he succeeded Rev. Robert A. Sidley.

Rev. William F. Murphy was born November 5, 1857, a son of William and Bridget (Donahue) Murphy, natives of Ireland, who were married in St. John's Cathedral of Cleveland, Ohio. For many years the father was engaged in the contracting business. Dedicated to the priesthood, Reverend Murphy attended Mount St. Mary's Seminary at Cincinnati, Ohio, St. Bridget's Parochial School, Cleveland, Ohio, and St. Mary's Seminary of Cleveland, Ohio, and was ordained by Rt. Rev. Richard Gilmore, July 6, 1884. For the following year he was assistant priest at St. Columba's Catholic Church, Youngstown, Ohio, and later was made pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Wellsville, Ohio. Three years later, on account of ill health, he went to Santa Fe, New Mexico, and soon took charge of a church at Idaho Springs, Colorado. After five and one-half years in that vicinity he returned to Ohio, and had charge of St. Mary's Church at Conneaut, Ohio, leaving it to assume the duties of his present charge. In politics he is an independent. A member of the local chapter of the Knights of Columbus, he has served it as chaplain for two terms.

A man of great energy and executive ability, Father Murphy has accomplished much for his parish since coming here. He erected Sidley Memorial Hall, corner of Jackson and Jefferson streets, for the Sisters of the Order of St. Francis, a beautiful and substantial building of vitrified cherry-colored brick of Spanish architecture. The alteration of the rectory was accomplished under his direction, and he had charge of the remodeling of the interior of the church. He imported the marble from Italy for the communion rail, at a cost of $11,000, and for the baptismal font, that is beautiful with Mosaic emblems. The magnificent Austin Church organ, one of the finest in this locality, was installed by him at a cost of $6,500, as well as the fine electric lighting plant, with moonstone globes over each light, that can be raised and lowered at will. The entire floor of the church sanctuary is Mosaic of artistic design. Several oil paintings of rare value and on church subjects are on the walls, while the way of the cross is illustrated in a wonderful series of statuary. In fact, the alterations and decorations made on this wonderful old structure, whose cornerstone was laid in 1866 by Rt. Rev. Bishop Rosencrans, of Columbus, Ohio. have raised it to leadership in church architecture, and this perfection has been attained largely through the efforts and capabilities of Reverend Murphy.

Robert Stone Parks has been an Ohio attorney for thirty years, and most of his practice has been done in the county seat of Geauga County, at Chardon. He is the present prosecuting attorney of that county and all his relations as a lawyer and public official have brought him a high degree of esteem in that section of Ohio.

Mr. Parks was born at Chardon, Geauga County, December 10, 1872. His father, Orrin R. Parks, who was born at Chardon, December 31, 1845, as a young man entered business as a tinner and hardware merchant, and subsequently organized and became senior member of Parks Brothers and later Parks & Warriner, a hardware firm that for many years has stood in the front rank of Chardon business enterprises. He was a republican, served on the City Council a number of terms, and while on the council was also a member of the board that established a village light plant. In the Civil war he was a Union soldier, a member of Battery C of the First Ohio Light Artillery, and served through the last two years of the war. He was affiliated with Chardon Lodge No. 93, Free and Accepted Masons. Orrin R. Parks, who died at Chardon in January, 1918, married Virginia Stone, a native of Newbury, Geauga County, who died at Chardon December 20, 1872, just ten days after the birth of her only child, Robert Stone Parks. The second wife of Orrin R. Parks was Chloe A. Barker, who was also a native of Newbury, and now lives at Chardon. Her only child is Mildred, who married E. E. Clark, of Cleveland, Ohio, now deceased.

Robert Stone Parks as a boy attended the public schools of Chardon, graduating from high school in 1891. He then entered the law department of the University of Michigan, and finished the course and received the Bachelor of Laws degree with the class of 1894. Admitted to the Ohio bar June 6 of that year, he immediately engaged in practice at Chardon, and his active membership in the bar of that city has been continuous except for two years while he was engaged in practice at Lorain, Ohio, and a year and a half at Willoughby. His law offices are in the First National Bank Building.

For twenty years Mr. Parks has been village clerk of Chardon, his present term expiring January 1, 1924. He has had charge of the official records of the village through an era marked by many important improvements, including the installation of a water plant, building of sewers, street paving. On March 1, 1921, Mr. Parks was appointed attorney of Geauga County to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of R. H. Patchin. In November, 1921, he was elected for the regular two-year term, which began January 21, 1922.

Mr. Parks is a republican, has served as secretary

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of Chardon Lodge No. 93, Free and Accepted Masons, as secretary of Chardon Chapter No. 106, Royal Arch Masons, is noble grand of Chardon Lodge No. 213, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is past chancellor commander of Lodge No. 731, Knights of Pythias. He organized and is a charter member of Chardon Kiwanis Club. Mr. Parks is a stockholder in the First National Bank of Chardon, and among other real estate owns a modern home at 141 North Main Street. He married in his native town, September 10, 1899, Miss Nina Ames, daughter of Bernard D. and Victoria Ames, now deceased. Her father for sixteen years held the office of clerk of courts of Geauga County. Mr. and Mrs. Parks have three children: Virginia Victoria, at home; David R., a student in Syracuse University in New York; and Edward Ames, attending the Chardon High School.

Earl Sheppard McCune, ex-mayor of Nelsonville, is also an ex-service man, having been one of the young officers of the American troops on the battle lines in France.

He was born at Nelsonville, March 30, 1893, son of Albin C. and Jane (Mason) McCune. His parents were also natives of Nelsonville. His mother died in 1895. His father, who is now sixty-one years of age and a resident of Chicago, served an apprenticeship as a mechanic in railway shops and finally became a master mechanic of the Hocking Valley Railroad, and held a smilar position with the Pennsylvania lines at Richmond, Indiana. His father was a Hocking County farmer. Albin C. McCune had four sons. Walter is a railroad engineer living in Chicago, Herbert lives at Denver, Colorado, and Clifford, in Buffalo, New York.

Earl Sheppard McCune graduated from the Nelsonville High School, and attended Ohio University at Athens. He then had a period of employment with the American and Adams Express companies as an express agent at Nelsonville, and for five years at Akron. When America entered the war against the central powers he joined the First Officers' Training Camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, and was commissioned a second lieutenant. He was assigned to duty with the First Division in France, and in France was on the battle line many days. He was promoted to first lieutenant while over seas. During the Aisne-Marne offensive he was wounded in the leg. Mr. McCune remained in France until July, 1919, and was returned as a casual. In 1920 he was made president of the City Council in Nelsonville, and in February, 1921, was appointed mayor to fill the unexpired term of Peter Burrows, and at the next election was chosen for the regular term.

On February 23, 1923, he married Miss Mary Pensyle, daughter of Charles L. Pensyle. Mr. McCune has filled the various offices, including that of commander, in the post of the American Legion, and has been a member of the finance committee. He is a Council degree Mason, is past exalted ruler of the Elks, a member of the Improved Order of Red Men, and in politics, a republican.

Leo James Welsh is one of the prominent younger citizens of Hamilton, is a railway man in business, and is active in politics and public affairs, being councilman from the Fourth Ward.

He was born at Hamilton, November 21, 1890, son of J. Henry and Margaret (Dowd) Welsh. His father was a well known Hamiltonian, and for a number of years before his death in 1915 had been general yard master of the Pennsylvania Railway Company. For twenty-four years he represented the Fourth Ward as city councilman. The fourth was a strongly democratic ward, yet J. Henry Welsh was repeatedly honored with the election as a republican, and his personal character brought him more votes than his party. He was a member of the committee to organize the first electric light plant in Hamilton, and many frequently refer to him as "father of the electric light plant."

Leo James Welsh acquired his early education in St. Mary's Parochial School, and he studied accounting under the noted James O. Carson of Hamilton. He has been continuously in the service of the Pennsylvania Railway Company, at first as assistant cashier in the freight office at Hamilton, holding that position thirteen years. For the past four years he has been chief clerk to the general yard master.

Mr. Welsh was a candidate for councilman from the Fourth Ward in 1921, being defeated by three votes. In 1923, against the same opponent, he made the race, and was elected by 381 majority. In the City Council he is chairman of the committee on legislation, election and contracts and a member of the committees on finance and taxation, grades and engineering, street and steam railways and public service. He is an influential republican, and has contributed to the notable growth and strength of that party in Butler County within recent years. Mr. Welsh, who is unmarried, is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, Lodge No. 93, with the Elks, Loyal Order of Moose, of which he is dictator, Knights of St. John, and the Crescent Aid Society. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Blondon Jordan, D. S., is one of the progressive younger professional men of the City of Middletown. In his qualifications for service he represents the fundamentals of the old gentle technique, also the new modern plans of dental surgery.

Doctor Jordan was born November 29, 1897, son of Theodore and Lou (Marshall) Jordan, of Blanchester, Ohio. He was reared and acquired his early education at Blanchester, attending high school there, and has been in Miami University at Oxford, Ohio. He graduated in 1923 from the Cincinnati Dental College. He specialized in anæsthesia, preventive dentistry and dietetics. Since opening his offices in Middletown in October, 1923, he has come into a profitable general practice, and specializes in preventive dentistry. He has offices in the Schoner Building, equipped with all the modern appliances known to the dental profession. He is a member of the Butler County, Ohio State and National Dental societies.

Doctor Jordan is a member of the Beta Theta Pi College fraternity, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Christian Union Church at Middletown.

He married Miss Alma Spivey, of Hamilton, daughter of a well known business man of that city, W. M. Spivey. She was educated in the Hamilton High School and took a business course in Cincinnati. Mrs. Jordan is a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the American Legion. Doctor and Mrs. Jordan have one daughter, Betty Lou, born in 1923.

Van Everett D. Emmons. Head of the Emmons Realty Company at Akron, Mr. Emmons has at different times in his twenty-five years' residence held numerous responsibilities in the business and civic affairs of his home city, being at this writing one of Summit County's representatives in the State Legislature.

The Emmons family have been in Eastern Ohio since the first years of the last century. His grandfather, Enos Emmons, who married Catherine Reamer, was born in 1808, shortly after his parents settled in Columbiana County. David Emmons, father of the Akron business man, was born in that county in 1843, and fought for the Union through the Civil war, serving with the One Hundred and Fifteenth Regiment of Ohio Volunteer Infantry and several other Ohio regiments. After the war he was a farmer, merchant and postmaster at East Rochester, Columbiana

County, and died December 12, 1919. His wife, Mary A. Whiteleather, who was born in 1851, and died in 1912, was the daughter of David and Elizabeth (Firestone) Whiteleather. Her great-grandfather was a Hessian soldier, but not liking his employment deserted, settled among the Pennsylvania "Dutch", who were more congenial to him, and afterward joined the colonists themselves in the struggle for independence.

A son of David and Mary A. Emmons, Van Everett David Emmons, was born at East Rochester, Columbiana County, July 14, 1868. He grew up on a farm, attended district schools, and at the age of eighteen years an injury in a railway accident incapacitated him for certain physical activities as a source of livlihood, and he turned his attention into directions where his abilities counted for more in real constructive service. He assisted his father in the store at East Rochester, and taught country schools for about eight years, and it is interesting to note that the first certificate to teach given him has the signature of Charles B. Galbreath, examiner, who is author of the history of Ohio contained in this publication. He was also clerk of the Board of Education and township clerk, and was identified with the Eastern Ohio Telephone Company, and secretary and treasurer of the Eastern Ohio Creamery Company at East Rochester. In 1896 he graduated from Duff's Commercial College at Pittsburgh, and was professor of bookkeeping there both before and after graduation; and was also bookkeeper and telegraph operator with the Pittsburgh Stock Exchange. From 1897 to 1899 he had charge of the bookkeeping department of the International Society in New York City.

Mr. Emmons on removing to Akron in 1899 became acountant and correspondent for the Werner Publishing Company, serving in that capacity until 1911. In that year he assisted in organizing the Akron Adjusting and Sales Company. In 1914 he was one of the organizers of the Wagoner-Emmons Realty Company, a $50,000 corporation, of which he is president and general manager. This company, with holdings of real estate valued at more than a $1,000,000, has put on the largest allotments and subdivisions in and around Akron, including the Springfield Heights, Numbers one, two and three, which contained over 2,000 building lots. He is also president of the Emmons Realty Company. Through these companies he was identified with the subdivisions known as Eastholm, Arlington, Numbers one, two, three and four, Emmons small farms and others. The Akron Real Estate Mortgage Company, incorporated at $500,000, of which Mr. Emmons is vice president and member of the executive committee, is another important financial organization, and he is identified with the Mason Tire and Rubber Company and the Akron Savings and Loan Company.

Mr. Emmons has been active in the Akron Real Estate Board and is chairman of the Local Tax Committee of the board. He is a member of the legislative committee of the Ohio Real Estate Board and a member of the National Real Estate Board. For over fifteen years he was financial secretary of Akron Camp No. 4334, Modern Woodmen of America, and twice was one of the delegates from Ohio to the head camp at Chicago and once at Saint Louis. He is affiliated with Summit Lodge No. 50 Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Old Hickory Camp, Junior Order United States American Mechanics, Modern Woodmen of America, and is a member of Akron Camp No. 27, Sons of Veterans, having served as treasurer of the Ohio Division. He is a member of the High Street Church of Christ, the Akron City Club, is a director of the Portage Fish and Game Club, member of the Municipal Golf Association and a member of the Ohio Sportsman's League.

During the World war he was actively interested in and identified with the various committees handling the local patriotic programs. He was elected in 1915 and again in 1917 a member of the City Council. His service was on the finance, city property and educational committees, and he had a prominent part in promoting the grade crossing elimination campaign in Akron. He has been recognized for some years as one of the local leaders of the republican party. Mr. Emmons has served on the County Central Committee, and as a delegate at different times attended congressional district conventions which nominated for Congress, William McKinley of Canton, Bob Taylor of Lisbon, and Tom Morgan of Alliance. He is a member of the Akron Republican Lincoln Club. Elected from Summit County to the Eighty-fifth General Assembly, he served as a member of the State Finance Committee and the State Soldiers and Sailors Orphans Home Committee, the City and Village Committee and helped formulate the Blue Sky Legislation of that Assembly, and as a member of the State Finance Committee, led the fight for the appropriations for the Kent Normal School, securing the best appropriations the school ever had, one on which the institution could function properly with additional new buildings.

Mr. Emmons married Lilly M. Williston, daughter of John and Louisa (Liber) Williston, at East Rochester, Ohio, in 1895. Four children were born to their marriage: Roscoe McKinley, who is manager of the Cleveland branch of the Ajax Rubber Company and is married and has a son, Roscoe M., Junior; Clande, who during the World war was in training at Camp Gordon and in 1921 graduated from the Akron University and in June, 1924, graduated from the law department of Western Reserve University, being admitted to the Ohio bar June 23, 1924; Myrtle Loraine, who married Wilbur Marquardt, of the M and M Company of Akron, and has a son, Wilbur, Jr., and Miss Pauline Drabelle, a senior in the Akron High School.

DAVID SNOWDEN. The insurance business is one which has expanded with remarkable rapidity during the past score of years, until it is now one of the most important features in the commercial life of any community, and is attracting to it men of big caliber and determination, who in it are finding expression for their personalities, and the means of securing a satisfactory livelihood. Such a man is David Snowden, who after a long and varied experience is now handling a general line of insurance and representing some of the leading insurance companies of the country.

David Snowden was born at Dumfries, Scotland, May 12, 1875, a son of William and Margaret Snowden, both of whom are deceased. In 1881 they came to America and located in Canada, where the father worked as section foreman at railroad work. Until he was nine years old David Snowden attended school, but at that tender age was put to work with farmers, and when he was old enough he went into railroading, becoming in the course of time a freight conductor with the Grand Trunk Railroad. In the meanwhile, at the age of sixteen years, he had come to the United States, but subsequently returned, for two years, to to Canada. Once more he came to the United States, where he has since remained, and selected Sandusky as the seat of his operations. In 1916 he entered the employ of the Matthews Engineering Company of Port Clinton, Ohio, as foreman of their crating and shipping at Sandusky. In 1920 he began handling real estate, and a year later began handling general insurance, in the latter finding the work for which his abilities are best suited. He thoroughly understands his business, and is prepared to sell all kinds of in-

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surance, and to give expert advice as to the best methods of securing adequate protection and the most reliable companies with which to place risks. The success which has attended him from the start is remarkable, but it has been earned by hard work and complete concentration, and while he has been thus firmly establishing himself in this line he has won and retains the confidence and respect of his fellow citizens. In political faith he is a democrat, but he is not active in public affairs.

H. Clarke Cozad, clerk of the courts of Lake County, is one of the prominent young men in politics at Painesville, and is now serving his second term at the courthouse at Painesville.

He was born at Madison, Lake County, June 22, 1892. His grandfather, Samuel Cozad, was a native of Cleveland, and spent his life there. He was a farm owner, but his chief business was that of contractor and builder. He came of a family that were of the pioneers of Cleveland. His son, William H. Cozad, born at Cleveland, August 12, 1855, is now living at Geneva, Ohio, was reared in Cleveland, and shortly after his marriage moved to a farm at Madison, in Lake County. In 1909 he located at Geneva, and has since been in the mercantile business. For a number of years he was a member of the school board at Madison, has always been an active churchman, being a deacon in the Geneva Congregational Church, and in politics has cast his influence with the republican party. He is affiliated with Geneva Lodge No. 334, Free and Accepted Masons, Chapter No. 147, Royal Arch Masons, and Painesville Council No. 104, Royal and Select Masters. William H. Cozad married Mary Barker, who was born at Cleveland, May 17, 1856. Of their four children H. Clarke is the youngest. Homer D. is now vice president of the Cleveland Trust Company. Alice B. lives at Geneva, the widow of Lewis Alderman, a business associate of her father, and she owns her husband's former interest in the mercantile business at Geneva. Mr. Alderman died at Geneva, March 12, 1921. The third child, W. Howard, is bookkeeper for the Barber Insurance Company at Painesville.

H. Clarke Cozad attended public schools at Madison, and was in the high school there until fifteen years of age. His business experience following the time he left school was begun in the store of Harry Rand at Madison, for whom he clerked a short time, after which he was a clerk for A. J. Ford & Son, grocers, at Geneva, until 1909, for three years assisted his father in business at Geneva, and for two years was with Thomas Murphy, one of the oldest grocery merchants in Ashtabula. Coming to Painesville, he was engaged in the retail grocery and meat business until elected clerk of the courts November 4, 1920. His first term of two years began August 1, 1921, and in November, 1922, he was reelected for his second term.

He is a staunch republican and a member of the First Church, Congregational, at Madison. He is affiliated with Temple Lodge No. 28, Free and Accepted Masons, at Painesville, Painesville Chapter No. 46, Royal Arch Masons, Painesville Council No. 104, Royal and Select Masters, Eagle Commandery No. 29, Knights Templar, Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland, and also Lake Erie Consistory, Valley of Cleveland, of the Scottish Rite. Other affiliations are with Painesville Lodge No. 549. Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Cornucopia Lodge No. 212, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Adams Lodge No. 350 of the Rebekahs and the Painesville Shrine Club.

Mr. Cozad is owner of considerable real estate in Lake County. He has his home at 119 Orchard Grove Avenue, Painesville. He married at Painesville, April 20, 1911, Miss Florence Brick. Her mother, Mrs. Mary Brick, died at Painesville June 2, 1921. They have one son, William Clarke Cozad, born June 24, 1915.

Homer W. Hammond has been a member of the Columbiana County bar since 1910, and has achieved success as a business lawyer and business man. He has made the practice of law the object of his best endeavors, and has participated only as a good citizen in political affairs.

Mr. Hammond was born at Lisbon, Ohio, June 6, 1886, son of George and Annie (Knepper) Hammond. He grew up at Lisbon, attending the common and high schools there, and finished his academic education in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio. Subsequently he returned to Ada to complete his law course in the same institution, and was admitted to the Ohio bar June 24, 1910. He was admitted to practice in the United States District Court November 13, 1914.

Since his admission to the bar his home and office have been at Columbiana, Ohio. He is legal advisor to a number of financial and manufacturing corporations located both in Youngstown and Columbiana, Ohio. His chief interest is in the manufacturing industry, and he is very substantially interested in the U. S. Standard Manufacturing Company of Columbiana. During the World war he was a member of the Legal Advisory Board of Columbiana County and active in all of the various drives for funds and other war purposes.

Mr. Hammond is a member of the Delta Theta Phi college fraternity, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. He is a republican, and belongs to the Columbiana County, Ohio State and American Bar associations.

On December 24, 1913, he married Miss Elizabeth Shingler, of Columbiana, Ohio.

Harold Herman Choguill is cashier of the First National Bank of Stockport, the Morgan County town where he was born and reared and where he represents two old settled families.

Mr. Choguill was born at Stockport July 3, 1886. His parents are William T. and Meda Worthington Choguill, each of them now sixty-four years of age. His father has been one of the up-to-date scientific farmers of Morgan County, and is known among his neighbors as a man concentrating upon the better grades of live stock. He is a stanch republican, and is a member of the Official Board of Todd's Methodist Episcopal Church. William T. Choguill and wife have two children, Harold H. and Lucille, the daughter, who died in 1919, was the wife of Arthur Penrose.

Harold Herman Choguill was educated in the common schools at Pennsville, and some years later, in 1909-10, took the commercial training course at Oberlin College, where he graduated. His early career was spent in teaching. Altogether he put in eight years at that occupation, at first in a country district, then in the Barnesville High School, and then five years in the high school at Zanesville. As cashier of the First National Bank he has brought some exceptional qualifications to the official personnel of that institution, which is one of the leading financial enterprises of Morgan County, and has done much to support the progressive regime in agricultural and other affairs.

Mr. Choguill has served as a member of the local school board and was instrumental in securing the new modern high school in Stockport, being president of the Board of Education at time of its building. He is master of Webb Lodge of Masons at Stockport, and belongs to Morgan Lodge of the Independent

Order of Odd Fellows at Pennsville. His father is also a Mason and has represented the Lodge of Odd Fellows in the Grand Lodge.

J. T. Merwin, M. D. During the many years of his successful practice in Athens County Doctor Merwin has kept in touch with advancement in medicine and surgery by post-graduate courses, and has rendered a splendid service both as a professional man and as a citizen.

Doctor Merwin was born at Guysville, Athens County, February 19, 1866, son of Erwin D. and Margaret (Caldwell) Merwin. Both the Merwin and Caldwell families were pioneers in this section of Ohio. The paternal grandparents of Doctor Merwin were Thomas and Adda (Butts) Merwin, who came from New York State to Athens County, and established their home on a farm. Erwin D. Merwin spent his life at Guysville, where he died in 1879, at the early age of forty-two. He had a wide variety of business interests that made him well known over that section of Ohio. He was a farm owner, and was a contractor in railroad construction when the Baltimore & Ohio line was built through Athens County, during 1873-74. He also owned stores and was an extensive shipper of produce. He was active in politics as a democrat, and was a member of the Masonic order. After his death his widow married Henry Martin, and she died in 1916, at the age of seventy. The two sons of Erwin D. Merwin are Dr. J. T. Merwin and Erwin C. The latter is a graduate of the Ohio University and is now with the Westinghouse Electric Company at Pittsburgh.

Dr. J. T. Merwin had the advantages of the home schools at Guysville, and also attended Ohio University. He was only thirteen when his father died. In 1892 he entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1895. He then returned to his native village of Guysville, and engaged in practice there until 1898. Then, following special work in the Post-Graduate College of Medicine in New York, he located at Athens, where he has had his home for nearly a quarter of a century. Every year or so he has gone away to attend colleges and hospital clinics, and recently attended the Children's Hospital in Boston, which is under the supervision of the Harvard Medical College.

Soon after America entered the World war Doctor Merwin was commissioned a captain in the Medical Reserve Corps, and in 1918 was called to active duty at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe. Later he was sent to Tubercular Hospital No. 16 of Camp Crane. He received his honorable discharge in December, 1918. Doctor Merwin has served as president of the Athens County Medical Society and is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations. He is an elder in the Presbyterian Church, is a Master Mason, and a member of the Rotary Club.

Doctor Merwin in 1890 married Miss Adda Tullis, daughter of Lyman Tullis. They have one daughter, Margaret, who attended Ohio University, and is an accomplished musician, having finished her musical education in the Cincinnati Conservatory.

Philip Henry Schneider. In the development of the modern city of Akron, Philip Henry Schneider has been a factor of more than ordinary importance for a quarter of a century. He has been a merchant and banker, a constructive business man and purposeful citizen, working through his own enterprises and through various offices he has held to realize the highest ideals of a progressive city.

Born on a farm in Wayne County, New York, December 1, 1866, he was three years old when, in 1869, his parents, Martin and Margaret (Wakeman) Schneider, moved out to Michigan. His father was a native of Baden, Germany, and came to the United States at the age of twenty, having learned the trade of blacksmith, which he followed in connection with farming after locating in Kent County in Western Michigan. He was always active in the Methodist Church, and died in 1904, at the age of seventy-five. His wife passed away at the age of seventy.

Philip Henry Schneider grew up on the farm in Kent County, Michigan, attending country schools, and at the age of eighteen left the farm to continue his education a year in high school at Lowell, Michigan. When he quit for the serious battles of life he became a clerk in a grocery and dry goods store, and through several positions worked up to the management of the dry goods departments in stores operated by the J. L. Hudson Company in Detroit. He was in the service of this corporation ten years, part of the time as manager of a store at Sandusky, Ohio. He married in 1890 Miss Jennie Vinegar, of Michigan.

He came to Akron in 1897 as manager of the William Taylor Son & Company Dry Goods Store at 155-157 So. Howard Street, which position he held for eighteen months, when he purchased the interests of the Taylor Company and organized the P. H. Schneider Company. He was president and general manager of the new company, and under his directions this became one of the leading dry goods stores in the city. In 1905 he sold his interests to the M. O'Neil Company. In March, 1904, he had become president of the Schneider Building Company.

After retiring from active business in 1905 Mr. Schneider gave much of his time to civic and fraternal matters. In 1909 he became one of the organizers and vice president and member of the Executive Board of the Citizens Savings and Loan Company, and also served as a director of the Akron Trust Company. He had a prominent part in the consolidation of the Akron Trust Company and the Central Savings Bank. He was chairman of the Finance Committee which raised the money and acted as treasurer of the Masonic Building Company which constructed the Masonic Temple in 1916.

Mr. Schneider in 1910 was elected a member of the Board of County Commissioners, during which term of office the concrete viaduct over the Cuyahoga River Gorge was built in 1915, a structure that is 782 feet in length, 196 feet high and cost $100,000. At the time of construction it was reported to be the highest bridge in the world built of massive concrete for highway purposes. In 1916 he purchased the County Infirmary Farm of 188 acres, adjoining Akron on the west, and organized the Central Associated Realty Company, which organization alloted and developed Sunset View subdivision, the finest and most highly restricted residential section of Akron.

Mr. Schneider is a member of the Portage Country Club, the City Club, the Shrine Club and the Masonic Club, his Masonic affiliations being with Adoniram Lodge No. 517, Free and Accepted Masons; Washington Chapter No. 25, Royal Arch Masons; Akron Council No. 80, Royal and Select Masters; Akron Commandery No. 25, Knights Templar, Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite, Tadmor Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the First Congregational Church of Akron. For a number of years, as his activities indicate, Mr. Schneider has found his chief hobby in work and service for town and county betterment.

William H. Hendrickson. A useful, substantial citizen and honorable man was lost to Sandusky in the death of William H. Hendrickson, who passed out of life at his home in this city on October 2, 1920. It can be said of him, as it cannot be of every man called upon to handle large affairs, that he was able, just

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and generous in the faithful discharge of duty in every relation of life, and that his memory will long be preserved by his fellow citizens.

William H. Hendrickson was a native of Ohio, born at Cleveland January 5, 1864. His parents were Theodore and Bernadette (Kingler) Hendrickson, natives of Holland, who had come to America and settled in Cleveland before the Civil war. Theodore Hendrickson became well known in that city in manufacturing circles, for a number of years operating a planing mill and box factory, and later was in the building industry as a dealer in sand, continuing in the latter line until his death.

Although his father had enjoyed but few educational advantages in his youth, William H. Hendrickson was afforded excellent opportunities, attending the public schools of his native city during hoyhood, and afterward taking a full college course at Dayton, Ohio. Upon his return from college he entered into business with his father, and in 1890 embarked in the sand business for himself at Cleveland. In 1893 he moved to Sandusky, where he continued in the sand business for a time, but later gave the larger part of his attention to developing his stone quarry interests, and, as a far-seeing business man, in the course of time acquired property and became an important factor in many prosperous enterprises at Cleveland.

Mr. Hendrickson married, June 14, 1892, Miss Elizabeth Russ, who survives him. She was born in Bavaria, Germany, January 20, 1865, daughter of John and Marie (Schmidt) Russ, both natives of Bavaria, where the father of Mrs. Hendrickson died and where her mother later married Adam Schlict. In 1880, when some of her relatives came to the United States, settling at Cleveland, Ohio, she accompanied them and her marriage to Mr. Hendrickson followed. They became the parents of six children: Alfred, Estella, Florence, Marie, Clarence and Agnes. The family belongs to St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

During the World war Mr. Hendrickson was active and helpful in many directions, one of these being conducting a government ammunition factory at Sandusky. He was one of the leading factors in the Chamber of Commerce and indefatigable in promoting movements for the benefit of Sandusky. He was a steadfast republican in politics, but no seeker for public office. In fraternal life he belonged to the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Order of Foresters.

John F. Weber, M. D. A physician and surgeon who has rendered a splendid service in practice in various sections of Southern Ohio, Dr. John F. Weber is a resident of Amesville, Athens County, and is now president of the Athens County Medical Society.

He was born at Masterton, Monroe County, Ohio, March 15, 1881, son of Philip C. and Margarette (Walton) Weber. His mother, who lives at Marietta, Ohio, is a daughter of Jeremiah Walton, and is descended from one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. The Waltons were an old English family. The Walton home in Monroe County was near Rhinards Mill. The grandfather of Doctor Weber was Valentine Weber, who came from Germany and was an early settler in Monroe County, Ohio. He became a prosperous farmer and was a leader in his community. As a young man he was converted and became a member of the Methodist Church, and he helped build and was a liberal supporter of the Church at Masterton. He died at the age of eighty-two. Of his children, besides Philip C., Jacob is now an aged farmer in Monroe County, and William died in the West.

Philip C. Weber, father of Doctor Weber, entered the Union army in an Ohio regiment at the beginning of the Civil war. After three months he was captured at the battle of Antietam, and soon paroled. He came home and spent the rest of his life as a farmer at the old homestead. His specialty was the raising of sheep. He was a member of the school board and interested in all local affairs and he followed the trade of blacksmith. He was on the Official Board of the Methodist Church, was a democrat, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Philip C. Weber died in 1905, at the age of sixty-two. His widow lives with her daughter Maud at Marietta, Maud being a graduate of Ohio University and now a teacher in the Marietta public schools. Doctor Weber is the second child and only son. Cora is the wife of E. N. Dickson, a machinist at Marietta.

John F. Weber was reared on a farm in Monroe County, attended a district school, and when he was twenty years of age he returned to that school in the role of a teacher. Later he was a student in Marietta College and the Ohio State University, and in 1910 graduated from Starling Medical College at Columbus. Doctor Weber during 1910-11 remained in Columbus as an interne in St. Francis Hospital, and in 1911 he did post-graduate work in diseases of children at Harvard Medical College, and in 1921 returned for additional work in medicine at Western Reserve University in Cleveland. Doctor Weber for six months practiced at his old home town of Masterton, then for three years at Whipple, and since then his home has been at Amesville, in Athens County. In addition to his practice he has carried the burdens of a number of civic duties, serving several years on the school board, and for two years was township clerk, having been succeeded in that office by his wife, Mrs. Weber, who is still the incumbent.

On September 8, 1911, Doctor Weber married Miss Lucy Fleming, daughter of John and Flora (Linscott) Fleming, of Amesville. The Flemings are an American family, tracing their ancestry back to the Mayflower Colonial stock. John Fleming was a prosperous farmer. Mrs. Weber was educated in Ohio University, and was a teacher before her marriage. Doctor Weber is a trustee of the Methodist Church, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a democrat. In addition to his official relation with the county medical society, he is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations. Doctor and Mrs. Weber have two children: Katherine Fleming, born in 1912, and Josephine Fleming, born in 1914.

Lee Humphrey, M. D. With thirty-five years of successful work to his credit as a physician and surgeon in Morgan County, Doctor Humphrey has also accumulated many other interests and responsibilities. He is one of the active business men of Malta, has played an official part in the educational affairs of the county, and is well known to the medical profession through his service on the State Board of Examiners.

He was born on his father's farm west of Malta, in Morgan County, in April, 1864, son of Amos G. and Elizabeth (Parr) Humphrey. His father was born in Loudoun County, Virginia, and was a small boy when his parents moved to Ohio. While he followed farming, he did most of his work as a carpenter in building numerous houses throughout this section, and was also a member of the firm Humphrey and McGraff, which operated a small planing mill industry in Malta. Amos G. Humphrey was a man of deep religious convictions, although not a member of any church. He was a democrat. His death occurred in 1906, at the age of seventy-two, while his wife passed way January 1, 1881, aged forty nine. They had a family of two sons and three daughters. The daughter Margaret is the wife of

James Clement, a farmer near Malta. The son John was formerly in the building trade, and is now an instructor in the manual training department of the Indianapolis public schools.

Dr. Lee Humphrey spent his boyhood on his father's farm, attended country schools, completed the work of the grade schools in Malta, and finished his literary education in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. Taking up the study of medicine, he spent one year in the University of Michigan, and in 1888 was graduated Doctor of Medicine from the Ohio Medical College of Cincinnati. Doctor Humphrey at once returned to his home community, and has performed the work of his profession without interruption for thirty-five years. He is president of the Morgan County Medical Society, and for fourteen years has been a member of the State Board of Medical Examiners, still continuing in that office. He belongs to the County Medical Society and the Ohio State and American Medical Associations.

Doctor Humphrey is president of the Malta Manufacturing Company, a sash and door plant distributing its product over many states, and the outgrowth of the small planing mill started by his father many years ago. He is also a director of the Malta National Bank and of the Malta Electric Light Plant. Doctor Humphrey is president of the Morgan County School Board. He is a Royal Arch Mason, and is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

He married, in 1889, a daughter of Andrew and Mary Havner. They have one daughter, Mary Elizabeth, recently graduated from the Malta and McConnelsville High School.

Lorenzo Dow Nelson, M. D. A busy physician and surgeon, whose work and home are at The Plains in Athens County, Doctor Nelson is a native of Nelsonville, the same county, and a member of the family that has lived there since pioneer times and gave the name to the community.

Doctor Nelson was born at Nelsonville, March 2, 1886, son of Charles F. and Jennie (Roberts) Nelson, both natives of Nelsonville, where they now live, Charles, at the age of sixty-five and his wife, at sixty-three. There have been five generations of the Nelson family in that one community. Doctor Nelson, his father Charles, his grandfather, John Nelson, and his great-grandfather, Daniel Nelson, were all born in the same locality. Charles Nelson attended school in his native town, clerked in a store, had charge of the store of the New Pittsburgh Coal Company, and since then has been in business for himself as a grocery merchant at Nelsonville. He has served on the Town Council and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias. Charles Nelson and wife had four children, two sons and two daughters. The other son is Frank, a grocery merchant at Columbus, Ohio.

Lorenzo Dow Nelson graduated from the Nelsonville High School at the age of seventeen. After a year of employment in his father's store he entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, taking the full four-year course and graduating in June, 1908. He then had further training and experience in the Springfield Hospital, and in 1909 located at The Plains. This is a community in the midst of the mining and agricultural district, and Doctor Nelson has had a very heavy practice there for the past thirteen years.

When America entered the World war Doctor Nelson volunteered, received a commission as first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, and in November, 1918, was called to active duty. He was sent to Camp Greenleaf and later to Hoboken, New Jersey, under orders to go overseas, but received his honorable discharge in December, 1918. He is a member of the County and State Medical Societies, and is active in all matters of general interest and the public welfare.

In 1912 he married Miss Helen Louise Jones, daughter of Lewis Jones, of Orbitson, Hocking County, Ohio. They have three children: L. D., Jr., Charles L. and Miles Roberts Nelson.

Martin F. Vereker, M. D. In the twenty odd years since he graduated from medical school Doctor Vereker has accomplished a wide range of service as a physician and surgeon, and for fourteen years has been one of the leading men of his profession in the City of Hamilton.

He was born at Oxford, Ohio, November 12, 1875, son of Richard and Mary (Reagon) Vereker. His parents are now deceased. He was reared at Oxford, attending the high school there, and Miami University, where he graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1899. He took his medical course at Cincinnati University, graduating Doctor of Medicine in 1902, and for eighteen months remained in Cincinnati as an interne in the General Hospital. Doctor Vereker practiced medicine for six years at Bascon, Indiana, and on March 9, 1910, established his permanent home at Hamilton, Ohio. He is a member of the staff of Hamilton Hospital and of the Butler County, Ohio State and American Medical Associations, and the Union District Medical Society. For the past five years he has been the responsible city official looking after the health program of Hamilton in the office of city health commissioner. He also served three years as councilman at large of the city.

Doctor Vereker is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Orders of Elks, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Loyal Order of Moose and Knights of Columbus, and is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. During the World war he was a worker in all the Liberty Loan drives and the Red Cross campaigns.

On April 26, 1903, Doctor Vereker married Miss Josephine Weidimer, who died September 21, 1916. On October 6, 1917, he married Miss Nellie Leikhardt, of Hamilton, daughter of Edward and Maggie (Calligan) Leikhardt. She finished her education in the Hamilton High School, and is a member of the Daughters of Isabelle. Doctor and Mrs. Vereker have two children, Robert, born in 1918, and Donald, born in 1920.

Charles J. Andres. Among the citizens of Sandusky who were the founders of important and reliable business enterprises and who have now passed to the Great Beyond, one whose memory is still kept green in the hearts of those who knew him and appreciated his many sterling qualities, was the late Charles J. Andres. For many years Mr. Andres was identified with the undertaking business at Sandusky, and his infinite tact and sincere sympathy in times of bereavement earned the gratitude of many families of the city of his adoption.

Mr. Andres was born January 31, 1860, at Middle Bass, Ottawa County, Ohio, and is a son of Charles and Rose (Sprenger) Andres, natives of Baden, Germany. The parents were pioneers of Middle Bass, where the elder Andres was a raiser of grapes until his death. Charles J. Andres received his education in the public schools of Middle Bass, Ohio, and Sandwich, Canada, and as a youth was employed by Andrew Werley & Son, manufacturers of wine. In 1885 he came to Sandusky, Ohio, where he entered the employ of A. L. Deck, a furniture dealer and undertaker, the firm soon becoming Deck & Andres. In order to further prepare himself for this business Mr. Andres went to Boston, Massachusetts, where he attended the Oriental School of Embalming, from which he was graduated with the class of 1892. He

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then returned to Sandusky, where he resumed his association with Mr. Deck, but in 1895 disposed of his interest to his partner and embarked in the furniture and undertaking business on his own account, continuing to be engaged therein with much success until his very sudden death, which occurred March 3, 1902. At the time of his demise his widow sold a half interest in the business to Fred Fruy, Sr., and the business was conducted as Andres & Fruy until the death of Mrs. Andres, January 4, 1921. Mr. Fruy then becoming sole proprietor by purchase. At that time the children of Mr. Andres opened the Charles J. Andres Sons Funeral Home in the old Andres homestead.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Andres were: Carola, who is the wife of E. O. Walker, of Sandusky; Fred H., Louis R., Carl J., and Edmund A.

Fred H. Andres graduated from the Cincinnati College of Embalming April 1, 1921, and is now active in the business. He is a member of St. George Court, Catholic Order of Foresters, Sandusky Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Sandusky Benevolent Association. He married Frances C. Tucker, and they are the parents of two children: Mary Jane and Paul F.

Louis R. Andres, a graduate of the Sandusky High School, graduated from the Cincinnati College of Embalming and is one of the partners in the business, with which he has been identified since April, 1914. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Knights of St. John, St. Mary's Court, Catholic Order of Foresters and the Young Men's Society. He married Genevieve M. Erney, and they have three children: Mary Louise, Richard A. and Marjorie.

Carl J. Andres, who is deputy county auditor, is a member of the Knights of Columbus No. 546; Sandusky Commandery No. 549, Knights of St. John; St. George's Court, Catholic Order of Foresters; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks No. 285 of Sandusky, and the Young Men's Society, and is scoutmaster of the Catholic Boy Scouts. During the World war, in April, 1917, he volunteered for service in the Aviation Corps, and during his service was stationed at Waco, Dallas and San Antonio, Texas. He belongs to Perry Post of the American Legion.

Edmund A. Andres graduated from the Cincinnati College of Embalming April 1, 1921, and is a partner in the business. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus No. 546; St. George Court, Catholic Order of Foresters; Sandusky Lodge No. 285, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Kiwanis Club and the Sandusky Benevolent Association, and is an honorary member of the Young Men's Society. He married Esther C. Ritzenthaler.

The members of this family belong to St. Mary's Catholic Church, of which their parents were members. In politics they are independent voters. Of those identified with the business all belong to the Funeral Directors and Embalmers' Association of Ohio, to the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce and to the Erie County Automobile Club.

Lester R. Mylander. The science of osteopathy, which bases its tenets upon the theory that the greater number of diseases have their foundation in some deformation of the human skelton, long since has passed the experimental stage and become a widely recognized and sane factor in the lessening of the sufferings of mankind. A thoroughly able and experienced devotee of this method of cure is Lester R. Mylander, whose comparatively brief professional career has resulted in remarkable accomplishments. Since his return from the World war, in 1919, he has been a resident of Sandusky, and during five years has built up a remunerative and encouraging practice. His office is unexcelled in equipment, containing the most practical apparatus thus far discovered, as well as the latest books and periodicals bearing upon the subject which is enlisting his best energy and thought.

Doctor Mylander was born at Toledo, Ohio, December 16, 1893, and is a son of Fred J. and Elizabeth (Miller) Mylander. Fred J. Mylander was born at Oak Harbor, Ohio, and for many years was engaged in agricultural pursuits in the vicinity of Oak Harbor, where his death occurred in 1919. Mrs. Mylander, a native of Toledo, still makes her home in that city.

Lester R. Mylander attended the grade and high schools of Oak Harbor, following which he went to Kirksville, Missouri, and pursued a full course at the American School of Osteopathy, from which he was duly graduated with his degree in June, 1917. He then returned to Oak Harbor and for a short time followed his profession, but the great World war attracted his interest, and in March, 1918, he enlisted in the United States Medical Corps, with which he saw service in this country for about four months, then sailing for overseas in September of the same year. He was actively engaged in his work of mercy both with the Expeditionary forces and the Army of Occupation, but in June, 1919, returned to the United States and secured his honorable discharge and muster out papers. He at once took up his residence at Sandusky, where he has continued in the active practice of his profession. He is an agreeable and painstaking gentleman and a student whose tendency is towards the best possible acquirement in his chosen calling. He holds membership in the Ohio Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and the American Osteopathic Association.

Doctor Mylander is unmarried. He belongs to the Evangelical Church, and in his political allegiance is a democrat, although he takes only a good citizen's interest in political affairs and is too engrossed in his professional duties to desire public office. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and member of the Mystic Shrine, holding membership in the lodge and chapter at Oak Harbor, Ohio, and belongs also to the Eastern Star, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He also is a member of the Sunyendeand Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Blum Brook Country Club, the American Legion and the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce.

James F. Leeper, M. D. Forty-five years of continuous work in one calling is a record of which any man might be proud, but in the practice of medicine it means a vital service that perhaps no other occupation or service can afford. That is the record of Dr. James F. Leeper, now of McConnelsville, who has done his work in the rural districts of Central Ohio with a degree of faithfulness and skill that calls for more that passing mention.

Doctor Leeper was born near Bishopsville, in Morgan County, January 29, 1859, son of Hezekiah and Katharine (Mowery) Leeper. His grandfather, William Leeper, came from Pennsylvania to Ohio, first living in Belmont County, then in Hocking County and finally in Morgan County. Hezekiah Leeper was born in Belmont County, and was still young when the family settled in Morgan County. He became a prosperous farmer there, and died in 1893, at the age of sixty-seven. His wife passed away in 1890. They had a family of three sons and three daughters. The sons are: Judge Leeper, Dr. James F. and John R. John went with an Ohio regiment to the Spanish-American war, and was never heard of again. Judge Leeper was educated in country schools, was a teacher, read law and has attained a prominent position in his profession. His home is at Marietta.

James F. Leeper had the experiences of an Ohio farm boy, attended the rural schools, then the Pres-

byterian Academy at Amesville, and took his medical work in Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated at the age of twenty-one, in 1880. Through all the years he has had a very heavy practice. For twenty years after graduating his home was at Ruraldale in Muskingum County. Since then he has practiced at McConnelsville. Doctor Leeper did advanced work in the New York Post-Graduate College of Medicine and Surgery in 1900 and 1901. In answering calls upon his professional ability he has walked, gone horseback, traveled by buggy, and had practiced nearly a quarter of a century before the automobile came in as the most helpful invention for the prompt service of the medical profession. In his practice he has worn out eight automobiles.

In addition to his general practice Doctor Leeper has served as president of the Morgan County Board of Health and as United States pension examiner. He is a member of the County, State and American Medical associations, and is affiliated with the Knight Templar Commandery at New Lexington.

On August 12, 1880, he married Miss Annie Eliza McMullin, daughter of John McMullin, of West Virginia. Mrs. Leeper is a member of the Methodist Church, and her only son is a Presbyterian. They have two children, Clyde and Winnifred.

The son, Clyde Leeper, born April 27, 1882, has made a distinguished record in medicine. After the public schools he attended Doane Academy and Vanderbilt University, graduated from the School of Medicine and Surgery of the Loyola University, University of Chicago, Illinois, and early began specialization in tuberculosis. He also did post-graduate work in Columbia University, New York, and had experience as an interne in a hospital in Chicago. His entire medical career was devoted to research work in tuberculosis. Much of this time was given to the coordinative facts surrounding the benefits of home treatment and that of hospitalization. Every detail bearing on prevention, cure and treatment was thoroughly investigated not only in his native state but in the Southwest, Colorado and foreign countries. This early incentive for this branch of medicine was due to his intimate association with Dr. Theodore Sachs, at that time the foremost tuberculosis specialist and philanthropist of Chicago.

After serving as resident physician and superintendent of various institutions in the Southwest, investigating the plans, details and technique of other institutions in the United States, the ideas gathered from these associations were incorporated in 1911 into Ohio's first private institution for the care and treatment of victims of tuberculosis. The plan in construction and procedure in the care of patients has been carried out until today the Rocky Glen Sanatorium is recognized and admitted to be one of the leading institutions in this country. At the beginning of the World war he was in charge of the Medical Research Department of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, also had charge of the Bureau of Tuberculosis for the City of Akron, giving special study to the cause of fatigue among industrial workers. He served in the World war as captain, being a member of the Tuberculosis Commission for France and Italy. He also served in tuberculosis hospitals in Arizona and Los Angeles, and was associated with his father in building the Rocky Glen Tuberculosis Hospital near McConnelsville. They conducted this institution jointly for several years. In 1921 Dr. Clyde Leeper was in charge of the tuberculosis apartment of the National Soldiers Home at Sawtelle, California. Following that he became Medical Referee for the Travelers Insurance Company, with offices in Cleveland.

Arthur Franklin Johnston has gained marked success in his profession, and as one of the able civil engineers residing in the City of Sandusky he is now giving effective service in the office of county surveyor of Erie County.

Mr. Johnston was born at Fremont, judicial center of Sandusky County, Ohio, on the 23d of October, 1887, and is a son of William R. and Louise (Klopfer) Johnston, the former of whom was born in Binghamton, New York, and the latter at Fremont, Ohio. William R. Johnston was a skilled machinist, and to his trade he gave the greater part of his active business life, both he and his wfe having died in the year 1913.

After completing his high-school course Arthur F. Johnston entered the University of Ohio, in which he completed a course in civil engineering and was graduated as a member of the class of 1911. After thus gaining his degree of Civil Engineer he was a resident of Coshocton, Ohio, a short time, until August, 1911, when he came to Sandusky and as a civil engineer entered upon his career of constructive service for the County of Erie. He soon became identified with the engineering department of the city government of Sandusky, and finally won advancement to the office of city engineer, of which he continued the incumbent six years. A fuller appreciation of his ability and effective work came in September, 1921, when he was elected county surveyor of Erie County, the office of which he has since continued the efficient and valued holder.

Mr. Johnston is one of the loyal and progressive members of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, is a republican in political adherency, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in their home city he and his wife are members of the First Reformed Church.

The year 1910 recorded the marriage of Mr. Johnston and Miss Haidee Hausman, who likewise was born at Fremont, Sandusky County, and who is a daughter of William A. and Alta I. (Fowler) Hausman. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston have two children: Earl Franklin and Norbert Edgar.

Seward Sherman Danford, president of the First National Bank of Glouster, has been identified in a constructive way with several of the communities of Athens County. In his busy lifetime he has been a teacher, farmer, mill operator, merchant and banker. He was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Glouster, and has been president since it was opened for business in 1907.

Mr. Danford was born near Trimble, but on a farm in Morgan County, September 20, 1860, son of John and Mary (Bradrick) Danford. His grandfather, Hiram Danford, came to Ohio from Pennsylvania. John Danford, who was born on Wills Creek in Noble County, Ohio, in 1812, was married in Morgan County, and was engaged in farming, school teaching, and for twenty-four years was justice of the peace of Homer Township. He was a whig and later a republican in politics, and was a member of the Christian Church, while his wife was a Methodist. John Danford died at the age of eighty-four. His wife, Mary Bradrick, a native of Morgan County, and of an old English Quaker family from New Jersey, died at the age of seventy-eight. They had been married over fifty years. Their family consisted of eleven children, namely: Isaac William, deceased; Dr. H. D., deceased; Silas J., of Athens, Ohio; Allen, deceased; Lydia Carey, deceased; Nancy, a twin sister of Lydia, passed away in early girlhood; Rev. Thomas J., deceased; Dr. Edmund F., of Glouster, Ohio; M. E.; Seward Sherman, of this review, and Charles E., deceased.

Seward Sherman Danford, until after the age of twenty, lived on the old farm, worked in the fields

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and attended district schools. He was one of the sons who taught school, and one of the country schools he taught stood on the site of the present town of Glouster. For a number of years he taught during the winters and worked as a carpenter in the summers. He was an employe for a time in the saw mill, planing mill and flour mill of the Trimble Milling Company. For a time he had charge of the Sunday Creek Hardware Company at Glouster, Jacksonville and Trimble, and in 1905 he bought a store at Trimble. One of his early business associations that helped lay the foundation of his prosperity was with F. M. Koons, T. J. Mason and S. F. Wolf. These men bought two sections of virgin timber land at Burr Oak, going $40,000 in debt for the purchase. They worked up the timber, sold it and had the land left as profit. Two other men who came into this syndicate were O. D. Eddy and J. W. Bryson. Of this group of six well-known men in that section of Ohio only two are now living.

In addition to his duties as president of the Bank at Glouster Mr. Danford is vice president of the Hotel Berry Company of Athens. For a number of years he was treasurer of the Town Corporation of Trimble, and by appointment he filled an unexpired term of seven months as county treasurer. He is a republican, is on the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and has served as master of the Masonic Lodge and has been a representative to the Grand Lodge.

In 1889 he married Miss Addie Wolfe, daughter of Ezra and Polly Wolfe. They have two children. The son, Charles, now associated in business with his father, was trained as a soldier at Camp Sherman, became a sergeant and was on his way to France when the armistice was signed. The daughter, Merle, is a graduate of Ohio University, and taught for three years at New Lexington and three years at Athens, and is now teacher of English in the high school at Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Edwin Roy Zieger was born on a farm at New Middletown, Ohio, October 13, 1883, and is a son of John and Clara (Martin) Zieger, the former a native of Petersburg, Ohio, and the latter of New Middletown, Ohio, where she died in 1918. John Zieger has been engaged in agricultural pursuits throughout his life, and is one of the highly respected citizens of the New Middletown community. The early education of Edwin Roy Zieger was obtained in the district school located in the neighborhood of his father's farm, and his boyhood was passed much as that of other youths of his locality. He was given the advantages of attendance at the high school situated at Canfield, and as he had no desire for the life of a farmer, but aspired to a professional career, he enrolled as a student at the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, from the law department of which institution he was duly graduated as a member of the class of 1912, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the Ohio bar during the same year, and at once settled at Youngstown, where he began the practice of his profession in partnership with James A. Dixon. This association was mutually congenial and profitable, and was only terminated by the death of Mr. Dixon, which occurred in 1917. Since that time Mr. Zieger has practiced alone, and now maintains offices at 1002 Wick Building. He has built up a large and representative clientele, and is known as a lawyer of ability, soundly grounded as to legal principles and precedents. In addition to handling his large private practice he acts as village solicitor of Canfield and New Middletown, Ohio. He holds membership in the various organizations of his calling, and maintains a high standing among his fellow practitioners.

In 1913 Mr. Zieger was united in marriage with Miss Ethel May Schaff, who was born at Manchester, Ohio, a daughter of the Rev. J. C. and Florence Schaff, natives of Ohio, and to this union there have been born two children: John Charles and Clara Jeanette. With his family Mr. Zieger belongs to the Presbyterian Church, to which he gives his support, as he does to all worthy movements. Deeply interested in his locality, he is secretary of the Mahoning County Agricultural Society, to the work of which he gives a good deal of thought, time and attention. His political allegiance is with the democratic party. As a fraternalist he holds membership in Argus Lodge No. 545, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master; in the Grotto at Youngstown, and in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Youngstown, in all of which he is popular.

Philip F. Weamer, M. D. As a physician and surgeon Doctor Weamer has been engaged in the general practice of medicine at Coldwater for many years, and has likewise supplied the facilities and skill of the specialist there. Besides his heavy duties as a professional man he has been keenly interested in the public welfare and is the present mayor of Coldwater.

Doctor Weamer was born in Union City, Randolph County, Indiana, June 5, 1866. His parents, Francis and Theresa (Taylor) Weamer, were born in Bavaria, Germany, were married there, and on coming to the United States in 1852, settled at Union City, Indiana, where his father followed his trade as a tanner, and also owned a farm. His father died in Union City in 1906 and the mother, in 1893. They were members of the Catholic Church, and in politics the family has been democratic. Doctor Weamer has a twin brother, Joseph, a wooden ware manufacturer at Coldwater, and there were two older children, Theresa Nicholas Swagle and Frank.

Philip S. Weamer was educated in the grammar and high schools at Union City, taught school for eight years in Darke County, Ohio, and throughout the period of his early manhood, was contriving the opportunities through his own efforts to complete his education and qualify for his chosen profession. For two years he read medicine with physicians in Union City, spent two years in the Indiana Medical College of Indianapolis, and in 1893 graduated from the Wooster Medical College at Cleveland. He practiced two years at Macedon in Mercer County, but since 1895 his home has been in Coldwater. He has a splendidly equipped office, using his four rooms and basement, and has special facilities for examination and diagnosis, including the X-Ray and Violet Ray machines, other instruments for electro-therapy, and also equipment for work as an oculist. Doctor Weamer has acted as examiner for a number of insurance companies, has served as village health officer, and is a member of the Mercer County and Ohio State Medical societies, also a member of the American Medical Association.

In his citizenship he has first of all been public spirited and zealous for the best interests of his home community, and after that has been democratic in politics. In 1923 he was elected mayor of Coldwater, beginning his duties January 1, 1924. He was elected as a result of a popular demand, his name being written on the ballot by the voters, and he was elected over the regular nominees by a vote of four to one. As mayor his official distinction has been due to his effective efforts to control and clean out the whiskey ring in Coldwater. Doctor Weamer is a director in the Home Building and Loan Association in Coldwater, and owns considerable real estate in the town. He has taken several post-graduate

courses, spending some time at Western Reserve University at Cleveland in 1923.

Doctor Weamer married in October, 1887, Miss Anna M. Van Kirk, daughter of Lorenzo D. Van Kirk, of Fort Recovery, Ohio. By his first marriage Doctor Weamer had five children; F. Gillum; Joseph, who was accidently killed; Johanna, wife of Earl Reed of Lima; Mary B. and Theresa. The second wife of Doctor Weamer was Alice Wysong, whom he married in 1907 and who died in 1909.

Paul W. Neubert. While one of the younger citizens of Lake County, Paul W. Neubert has gained a reputation of efficiency in whatever he has undertaken, and ability to discharge his obligations and responsibilities with credit to himself and others. These facts led to his present responsible office as superintendent of the Lake County Home.

Mr. Neubert was born at Collinwood, in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, October 3, 1894. His father, Herman L. Neubert, was born in Germany, November 10, 1858, was reared there, and at the age of twenty-one came to the United States, locating at Collinwood in Cuyahoga County. While there he acquired extensive farming interests, operated his farm in Cuyahoga County for twenty years, and in 1900 removed to LeRoy, Ohio, where he continued farming. Since 1908 his home has been at Perry in Lake County, where he is now a specialist in fruit growing. He is a republican voter and a member of the Lutheran Church. Herman L. Neubert married Elizabeth Scharan, who was born in Germany, July 6, 1852, and came to the United States when a young woman. A family of nine children were born to them, of which seven are still living, the oldest, Fred G., being a resident of Cleveland, while the second, Marie A., is the wife of Charles McLeod, also of Cleveland. The third, Martha A., is the wife of Fred. Keyerlieker, also living in Cleveland. August H., the fourth child, has for fifteen years been an employe of the New York Central Railroad Company, with home at Cleveland. Herman L., a farmer at Madison, Ohio, is a veteran of the World war, a member of the One Hundred Forty-fifth Infantry, and was in France nine months, participating in six offensive and defensive campaigns, including the Baccarat sector, August 4 to September 16, 1918; Avocourt sector, September 21 to 26, 1918; Pannes sector, October 7 to 16, 1918; Meuse-Argonne offensive, September 26 to October 1, 1918; Flanders offensive, October 31 to November 4; Flanders offensive, November 9 to November 11, 1918. The sixth child of the family is Paul W., and the youngest, William, a farmer at Perry in Lake County, is also a World war veteran, having had exactly the same service and experiences with the same regiment as his brother Herman.

Paul W. Neubert was educated in public schools in Lake County, and lived on his father's farm until he was eighteen. Following that came an experience in the machinist's trade at Cleveland, and in May, 1916, he enlisted in the Fifth Ohio Regiment of Infantry. He was on active duty on the Mexican border for nine months, after which he returned home and received his honorable discharge April 17, 1917. During America's participation in the World war he assisted in the management of the home farm, and in 1919 engaged in farming for himself. His farm is near Perry in Madison Township of Lake County. Mr. Neubert took the competitive examination under the civil service rules, and his standing secured his appointment as superintendent of the Lake County Home. He began his duties there in March, 1922. The County Home is a mile and a half southeast of Painesville. Mr. Neubert still owns and supervises his fruit and dairy farm near Perry.

He is a republican in politics, is a member of the Zion Lutheran Church of Painesville, and is affiliated with Diamond Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Perry. He married at Cleveland, April 3, 1919, Miss Mary Dirk, a daughter of Charles and Mary Dirk. Her parents live at Madison, Ohio, where her father is a farmer. A son, James Paul, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Neubert February 16, 1924.

George John Doerzbach. The business activities of George John Doerzbach have not been confined to any one special line, for during his career he has been identified with several forms of business enterprises, each widely separated from the other. In all of these he has achieved success, evidencing the possession of versatility, and at the present time is the proprietor of one of the leading insurance agencies of Sandusky and a business man of recognized standing in the community.

Mr. Doerzbach was born at Sandusky, October 23, 1870, and is a son of Christopher and Louisa (Sweitzer) Doerzbach, natives of Germany. Christopher Doerzbach was a weaver in his native land, and followed that vocation after coming to the United States and settling at Sandusky, where he died one year after the birth of his son George J., in 1871. His widow survived him for a long period, attaining the ripe old age of eighty-four years.

George John Doerzbach attended the public schools of Sandusky, and was about eighteen years of age when he graduated from high school, in 1888. In order to further prepare himself for a business career he pursued a commercial course at the Sandusky Business College, upon the completion of which he joined his two older brothers in a general contracting business, to which he gave his attention for some years. When he severed his connection with this line of activity he became agent for a phonograph concern, a line which he followed with success until 1910, when, in partnership with Fred Bauman, he embarked in a general insurance business. On August 1, 1912, he bought Mr. Bauman's interest in the business, which he has since conducted alone, his offices being in the Cable Block. Mr. Doerzbach has built up a splendid business in his line and handles all kinds of insurance, representing some of the largest companies in the world. Through close application and personal experience he has thoroughly familiarized himself with every angle and department of insurance salesmanship, and during recent years has written some of the largest policies in the city. The peculiar abilities absolutely necessary to success in the insurance line are his naturally, and to them he has added other characteristics which his experience has taught him are valuable.

In 1896 Mr. Doerzbach was united in marriage with Miss Belle Rodgers, who was born at Xenia, Ohio, a daughter of Hazzard and Mary Imogene (Hyde) Rodgers, natives of Ohio, and to this union there was born one son, Rodger Henry, who was born in July, 1898, and is associated with his father in business. With his family Mr. Doerzbach belongs to the Presbyterian Church. He is a republican in his political allegiance, and has served in several political capacities, including clerk of the Board of Elections. He is a past master of Science Lodge in Masonry and a thirty-second degree Mason; past exalted master of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, past president of the Ohio Elks Association, and a member of the Sandusky Kiwanis Club.

Clarence Augustus Schimansky, M. D. In a long period devoted to the general practice of his profession in the City of Sandusky, Doctor Schimansky has shown the ability and stewardship that invariably imply success of unequivocal order, and he has a

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specially substantial practice as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Erie County.

Doctor Schimansky was born in Toledo, Ohio, October 28, 1874, and is a son of Otto Ferdinand and Elizabeth (Vogel) Schimansky, the former of whom was born in Bavaria, Germany, and the latter at Plaster Bed, Ottawa County, Ohio, her father, Christ Vogel, having been a native of Bavaria. Otto F. Schimansky was a boy at the time of the family immigration to the United States, and his father, Dr. Louis Schimansky, became a successful practicing physician and surgeon in Ottawa County, Ohio, where he passed the remainder of his life. Otto F. Schimansky learned in his youth the trade of carriage maker, to which he gave his attention for a number of years. He and his wife now reside in Sandusky, and he holds the office of secretary of the Ohio State Board of Commerce.

The public-school discipline of Dr. Clarence A. Schimansky included that of the high school, and thereafter he pursued a course of higher academic study by attending Oberlin College. In preparation for his chosen profession he entered the medical department of the University of Michigan, and in this institution he was in due course graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Among his early professional services were those rendered by him in the capacity of examining surgeon, at Sandusky, for soldiers enlisting for service in the Spanish-American war. Since that time he has continued in the active and successful general practice of his profession at Sandusky, and he is known as a loyal and progressive citizen. He is aligned in the ranks of the republican party, he and his wife hold membership in the Congregational Church, he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and has membership in the local Chamber of Commerce, the Sandusky Yacht Club, the Plum Brook Country Club, and the Sunyendeand Club. The maiden name of his wife was Barbara May, and she was born and reared in Sandusky, a daughter of Charles and Barbara (Herbel) May. Doctor and Mrs. Schimansky have one daughter, Yvonne Estelle, who was born April 12, 1922.

Charles E. Duncan. After his early youth from the farm and in public school Charles E. Duncan became an employe in the oldest bank of Glouster, Athens County, soon made his mark for competence and financial character, and has been with that institution for over a quarter of a century. As president of the Glouster State Bank he wields an important influence in the community, not entirely due to his position as a banker, since his success as a banker as well as his position as a citizen is directly the outgrowth of the fine qualities in his personal character.

Mr. Duncan was born in Dover Township, Athens County, August 27, 1878, son of Walter and Kate (Learned) Duncan. His parents, also natives of Athens County, are living at Glouster, his father at the age of seventy-three and his mother at sixty-nine. His father has been a farmer, and also for a number of years was a machine operator in the mines. At one time he served as a member of the local school board, and he hauled the stone and brick used in the construction of the first school building erected at Glouster. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. There are six children in the Duncan family: James, manager of the Sunday Creek Coal Company's store at Glouster; Mrs. Beatrice McCarthy, of Columbus; Charles E.; Elta, an employe in the Glouster State Bank; Minnie, bookkeeper in a Glouster mercantile establishment, and George, manager of the Sunday Creek Coal Company's store at the San Toy Mine.

Charles E. Duncan spent his boyhood on the farm below the town of Glouster, and in those days he helped cultivate crops on land now included in the town site. At the age of seventeen he finished a course in the Glouster High School, and soon afterwards was made bookkeeper in the Glouster State Bank. In 1903 he was promoted to the office of cashier, and since January, 1922, has been president.

In 1899 Mr. Duncan married Miss Anna Crombie, daughter of William Crombie, of Glouster. They are the parents of five children: Mildred, wife of Ed Matthews, of Jackson, Ohio; Paul, who works in his father's bank; William, employed in the local brick plant; Charles and Robert, both attending school.

Mr. Duncan is a deacon in the Christian Church. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Shrine at Columbus, and is a past noble grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and has sat in the Grand Lodge. He has served as clerk of the Glouster School Board.

Thomas J. Bailey, of McConnelsville, is a well known banker and oil operator, and for a number of years has been esteemed for his solid business sucess and capabilities. He started life a poor boy, though he represents some of the sturdiest pioneer stock of old Southeastern Ohio.

He was born in Wood County, West Virginia, in what was then Virginia, on June 5, 1860, son of David and Millie (Walker) Bailey. His great-grandfather was Caleb Bailey, a native of Bridgewater, Massachusetts, and a son of Adam and Sarah (Howard) Bailey: He was born in 1768, went West in 1790 to what is now Parkersburg, West Virginia, and died in what is now Wood County, West Virginia. The first permanent white settlement in Ohio was planted at Marietta, largely by colonists from the New England states, and Caleb Bailey was undoubtedly attracted to the West through the influence of this early colonization project. Marietta was founded about 1788. Caleb Bailey came West with a brother, but was attracted to the settlement on the Virginia side of the river, in the vicinity of Parkersburg. He married a Miss Anna James from Massachusetts, a daughter Capt. John James, a soldier in the Revolution. Her brother William James lost his life in a massacre that occurred at Big Bottom, Morgan County, Ohio, January 2, 1791. Their marriage was celebrated in the place known as Farmers Castle, now Belpre, in Washington County, Ohio, just across the river from the Virginia side. Caleb Bailey spent most of his life in Parkersburg, and he built the first and also the second courthouse of Wood County. He was a merchant and trader. His family consisted of two sons and three daughters. The sons were Charles and John A., both of whom became farmers. Charles lived on the Kanawha River in West Virginia. John A. Bailey was at one time sheriff of Wood County. He married Caroline Edelen, of a family that came from Tidewater, Virginia.

David Bailey, father of Thomas J. Bailey, and a son of John A. and Caroline Bailey, spent many years as a farmer in Washington Bottoms in Wood County, West Virginia. In the latter part of the '60s he moved to Ohio and settled at Watertown in Washington County. He died in 1911, at the age of eighty years, and his wife, Millie (Walker) Bailey, passed away when a comparatively young woman, in 1878, They had three children. The son Benjamin died in the West at the age of thirty-three. Lucy is the wife of F. R. Schwerkert, of Watertown, Ohio.

Thomas J. Bailey spent his boyhood days on the farm in Wood County, West Virginia, having only the advantages of the rural schools there and later the schools at Watertown, Ohio. At the age of eighteen, about the time his mother died, he left school, and, learning the carpenter's trade, made that the basis of his business career for a number of years. As a con-

tractor and builder he conducted an extensive business for twenty-one years in Ohio and West Virginia, building a number of bridges along the Pittsburgh and Western Railroad. On locating at Chester Hill, in Morgan County, Mr. Bailey established a planing mill. While there he formed a partnership with Brant Swayne, and, acquiring a well drilling outfit, sunk an oil well on the Joseph Mosier farm. This proved a producer, and was the original strike in what has since been known as the Chester Hill pool in Ohio. The first well was sold by the partners for $7,500. Afterward Mr. Swayne retired from the firm, but Mr. Bailey has since continued his oil well operations and has brought in a number of producers in the Chester Hill district.

Since 1903 his home has been at McConnelsville. Among other interests he is president of the Citizens National Bank and the Citizens Savings Bank at McConnelsville. Mr. Bailey married in 1894 Miss Lucy Geddes, daughter of William Geddes, of Chester Hill. They are members of the Christian Church, and Mr. Bailey is a Mason and a democrat.

THADDEUS A. WOODMAN has become a well-known factor in the insurance business at Youngstown, where he is secretary of one of the largest agencies in that part of the state.

Mr. Woodman was born at Copeland, Kansas, April 6, 1890, son of Charles W. and Minnie (Alexander) Woodman. His mother was also born in Kansas. His father is a native of Ohio, and for many years was a coffee planter in Central America, but is now living retired at Ashtabula.

Thaddeus A. Woodman during the year or so he lived with his father at Costa Rica had private instruction, and subsequently attended the grammar and high schools of Ashtabula and Youngstown. He spent one year in the Philip Exeter Academy at Exeter, New Hampshire, and at the age of twenty joined his father on a coffee plantation in Central America. After two years there he returned North, and at Youngstown spent a year in an insurance office, and then for one year was in a stock brokerage business. He became secretary and treasurer of the Davis Securities and Insurance Agency, and in 1923 the name of the business was changed to the Davis-Woodman Company. He is a member of the Youngstown and Ohio Associations of insurance agents, is a member of the Youngstown Country Club and Youngstown Club. He is a republican in politics, and has served as deacon in the First Presbyterian Church.

On April 6, 1916, Mr. Woodman married Miss Margaret Beach, a native of Kelloggsville, Ohio, and daughter of George W. and Anna (Peebles) Beach. They have four children: Thaddeus A., Jr., Anna Margaret, Charles W. and George B.

JAMES BALL NAYLOR, M. D. One of the most prominent Ohio men of letters has spent many years of his life as a practicing physician in the rugged rural localities of Morgan County, his home being at Malta. His work as physician and surgeon has been done with knowledge, skill and faithfulness, as nearly every family around Malta and much of the county can testify. The outside world knows Doctor Naylor as the author of some very popular historical novels, poems and juvenile books, and also as an editorial writer and public speaker.

Doctor Naylor was born at Pennsville, in Morgan County, October 4, 1860, son of Robert W. and Nancy (Wells) Naylor. Some of the gentle qualities of his own character have doubtless been inherited from his Quaker ancestry, and his keen sense of humor from his maternal forebears. His family line traces back to James Naylor, who was quartermaster-general under General Lambert in the Cromwellian wars in England. Though a Quaker, he left the parent church to establish one of his own, even more devout and simple in its creed and practice. His sons came to America with Penn's colonists and settled in Pennsylvania.

The grandparents of Doctor Naylor were Samuel and Abigail Naylor. Samuel came from Pennsylvania and was the pioneer settler in the Pennsville community of Morgan County, where many other Quakers lived. He was an abolitionist. Robert W. Naylor, father of Doctor Naylor, was a Morgan County farmer. In 1861 he went to the front with the Seventeenth Regiment of Ohio troops, and lost his life in the battle of Missionary Ridge when about twenty-eight years of age. Being a Quaker, he was dismissed from the church for taking up arms. He had a brother in the service, who died quite a number of years after the war.

Nancy Wells, mother of Doctor Naylor, is now eighty-six years of age, bright and alert for her years. She was about three years of age when she was brought to Ohio from Loudoun County, Virginia, where she was born. Her people were poor, and most of the men of the Wells family had the characteristics of the easy-going hill-country people of Western Virginia, being fond of the chase and cards and all kinds of sport. At the same time they possessed the innate qualities of gentlemen. They were of the tall, slender, sinewy type, and strikingly polite and generous. They were essentially an outdoor people, not at all bookish in their tastes. The father of Nancy Wells was Isaiah Wells. Nancy Wells was married to Robert W. Naylor in 1859; and their only child is Dr. James Ball Naylor. The widowed mother subsequently married John Henery. The children of this union were: Frank, of Columbus; Warren, of Cleveland; Samuel, of Zanesville; Myrtle, wife of Frank Coulson, an electrician in charge of the light plant at Malta; Cleason, who died in early boyhood; Clyde, who died at the age of thirty years; and Fred, an employe of the Brown-Manly Company at Malta, who died some years ago.

Dr. James Ball Naylor had the farm as his early environment. His first lessons were obtained in the old Newton Ridge School House in Windsor Township. For one year he attended an ungraded high school at Stockport, and was also a student in the preparatory department of Marietta College during 1879-80, but for five months only. In the meantime he had begun teaching, and spent altogether five years as a teacher in the rural districts of Morgan County. He began the study of medicine at the office of Doctor Gatewood at Stockport, working in the latter's drug store to pay his tuition and earn his board. He gained much practical knowledge of medicine and pharmacy in this way. He defrayed most of his expenses while in medical college by work as a drug clerk. Doctor Naylor graduated with the class of 1886 from the Starling Medical College at Columbus. After graduating he engaged in the practice of medicine at Stockport, remaining there one year. He then spent a year on the road in the South, as a traveling representative for the J. C. Ayers Company, manufacturers of proprietary medicines, and for another year was in the North representing the drug house of C. N. Crittenden of New York City. He practiced three years in Pennsville, and then moved to Malta, where he did the arduous work of a country practitioner until the last day of 1922, when he formally retired after a record of thirty-five years of service. However, he still retains the responsibilities of district health commissioner. He has served on the school board and town council.

The first wife of Doctor Naylor was Myrtle Gibson, daughter of Capt. Charles Gibson, county auditor of Morgan County. She died one year later, without

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children. On August 6, 1888, Doctor Naylor married Miss L. Villa Naylor, of Malta, daughter of John and Olive (Coulson) Naylor. She is a very distant relative of her husband. She was born in Morgan County, and of the same Quaker stock as her husband. Doctor and Mrs. Naylor have six children. One daughter, Olive Nance, widow of Clarence H. Doty, is now associated with the Palmer Photo Play Corporation of Los Angeles as English critic. N. Lucile graduated in domestic science at Ohio University, and taught there a year. Since then she has been engaged in teaching and child-welfare work in Syracuse, New York, Dobbs Ferry, New York, Eastern Kentucky and Los Angeles. Anne is the wife of Harland R. Heald, sub-station inspector of the Commonwealth Edison Electric Company in Chicago. Lena is the wife of John Robison, Baltimore and Ohio Railway agent at Fair Oaks, near Zanesville. James Robert is the only son. Jean, the youngest child, is the wife of Raymond Finley, a merchant at Malta. Doctor and Mrs. Naylor have eight grandchildren: Winston and Weston Doty, twins, nine years of age, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Doty; Ruanne, Marjorie and Harriet Heald; Barbara and Mary Frances Robison, and Robert Finley.

James Robert Naylor, the only son, was a musician with the Ohio National Guard troops on the Mexican border in Texas; and when America entered the World war, went overseas with Company D of the One Hundred Forty-eighth Regiment in the Thirty-seventh Division. He was trained at Camp Sheridan, Alabama. He spent many days on the battle lines, his command serving as shock troops in the Argonne Forest and along the battle front. As a platoon sergeant he led thirty-five men into one fight, and only six of them returned. A slight wound he received in the hand became infected, and he was in a critical condition for some time. He was one of the young men who contributed to the wonderful record made by the Thirty-seventh Division of the World war. After the war he helped train home troops for the National Guard, and is now connected with the Federal Prohibition Enforcement Department at Columbus.

Doctor Naylor is a member of the Masonic Order and is a republican in politics. He has made many political speeches, and has done a deal of political writing—in the way of editorials and campaign songs. He began writing when a boy of sixteen. He found the greatest pleasure in the rural-school literary society, and was usually called upon to act as editor of the society "paper," and many times he was the only contributor to its literary columns. He wrote verse in his early years. Later, while engaged in the practice of medicine, and while on his lonely night rides, he planned his stories, writing them out when he could find the time. He also composed many poems in this way. Doctor Naylor wrote in longhand until 1916, when he mastered the typewriter. His published works are: "Current Coins," published in 1893; "Goldenrod and Thistledown," 1896; "Ralph Marlowe," 1901; "The Sign of the Prophet," 1901; "In the Days of St. Clair," 1902; "Under Mad Anthony's Banner," 1903; "The Cabin in the Big Woods," 1904; "The Kentuckian," 1905; "Old Home Week," 1906; "The Witch-Crow and Barney Bylow," 1906; "The Scalawags," 1907; "Little Green Goblin," 1907; "Songs from the Heart of Things," 1907; "The Misadventures of Marjory," 1908; "Dicky Delightful in Rainbow Land," 1909. His most popular book has been "Ralph Marlowe." It was one of the six best sellers for six months after publication. His historical novels, "In the Days of St. Clair," "Under Mad Anthony's Banner," and "Sign of the Prophet," have most of their scenes laid in Ohio. Doctor Naylor has always regarded "The Kentuckian" as his strongest and most logical novel. A number of his books, as the titles suggest, were written for children. Since May, 1915, Doctor Naylor has also been special editorial writer on the Marion Star, the newspaper of the late President Harding. For two years he was on the staff of the Chicago Journal of Commerce. Doctor Naylor has a well-earned reputation as a public speaker and entertainer. He is a self-educated but cultured man.

George William Armstrong, Jr., piano manufacturer at Cincinnati, was born in that city, August 18, 1857, son of G. W. and Caroline (Secrist) Armstrong. He has been identified with piano making since 1874. Mr. Armstrong is president of the Baldwin Company and of each of its subsidiary corporations. For five years he served as a member of the civil service commission of Cincinnati, was president of the commission for new charter, is a director of the Cincinnati Arts Museum, the Cincinnati College of Music, Rockwood Pottery. He is a member of the Queen City and Cincinnati Country Club.

Arthur L. Behymer is the present postmaster of Cincinnati. His appointment was a well deserved and unusual recognition of many years of faithful service to the United States postal department. He spent about a quarter of a century with the railway mail service. Mr. Behymer has been well known in the civic and public interests of Cincinnati.

He was born June 15, 1869, on his grandfather's farm near New Richmond, in Clermont County, Ohio. Almost his entire boyhood was spent in that county. His education was the product of attending village schools and one term in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. He completed most of the high school branches, but never finished college. After two years of teaching he entered the United States railway mail service in December, 1889. During the more than twenty-five years he was in that service he was promoted to chief clerk of a district in 1897, and in 1912 was made assistant superintendent of the Fifth Division Railway Mail Service.

In 1918, during the World war, Mr. Behymer resigned to take more important duties as managing secretary of the War Industries Division of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce. At the close of the World war this division became the Division of Manufactures. In 1920 Mr. Behymer was made the executive secretary of the Yellow Pine Wholesalers' Association.

On March 1, 1922, he was appointed acting postmaster of Cincinnati, and received his regular commission in June of the same year. Various other civic organizations besides those mentioned have recognized in Mr. Behymer a very able leader, and he was president of several of such organizations. He is a past president of the Ohio Postmasters' Association. Mr. Behymer has taken all the degrees and has enjoyed practically all the honors in Masonry, being nominated in 1923 to receive the thirty-third, Supreme Honorary, degree in the Scottish Rite, the same having been conferred on him in September, 1924.

John E. Stang. The career of John E. Stang, the owner of numerous properties at his home city of Sandusky and elsewhere in the states of Ohio and Michigan, is illustrative of what may be accomplished by the youth who sets out with determination and confidence to make his way in the world, regardless of all obstacles and discouragements. With a good education as his main asset, Mr. Stang began his business career in a humble capacity, and through initiative, resource and inherent ability, backed by untiring industry, worked his way to preferment and the possession of independent means.

Mr. Stang was born in Huron County, Ohio, in 1860, and is a son of Peter A. and Magdalena (Herman) Stang, the former born in Wurttemberg, Germany, and the latter in Alsace Lorraine. They were but children when brought to the United States, their parents settling first in New York State, at Buffalo, and later removing to Huron County, where Mr. and Mrs. Stang were married. Mr. Stang was a blacksmith by trade, and spent many years thereat, but later turned his attention to agricultural pursuits, in which he was engaged at the time of his death in Huron County, where Mrs. Stang also passed away.

John E. Stang attended the district school and a Catholic parochial school in Huron County, later pursuing a course at St. Mary's Institute, Dayton, Ohio. He was twenty years of age when, in 1880, he took up his residence at Sandusky, and for two weeks was employed by a lumber concern. He then became a horseman, and followed that vocation two years, after which he accepted a position as driver of a beer wagon. During the next four years he discharged the duties of his position faithfully, and won the confidence and admiration of his employers, who finally gave him his opportunity by making him traveling agent for the brewery. He was thus employed for fifteen years, and at the end of that time was made president and manager of the Stang Brewing and Malting Company, which later was changed to the Kuebler-Stang Brewing and Malting Company, a concern which enjoyed great success and the name of which was later changed to the Cleveland and Sandusky Brewing Company. This attained to large proportions under the clever and energetic management of Mr. Stang, and did a tremendous business at Cleveland and Sandusky, as well as at all intermediate points, but the coming of national prohibition legally put an end to the liquor business and in 1922 Mr. Stang severed his connections with the concern and practically retired from active business affairs. In the meantime, with excellent judgment and foresight, he had invested his means in real estate throughout the states of Ohio and Michigan, particularly at Sandusky, where he is the owner of many business blocks and private residences. A democrat in his political allegiance, Mr. Stang has been prominent in party and public matters. For ten years he was a member of the City Council of Sandusky, and for four years of that time its president, and on one occasion was the candidate of his party for the office of state senator, but was defeated by a close margin. He holds membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, as well as in other civic and social bodies.

In 1882 Mr. Stang was united in marriage with Miss Mary Westerhold, who was born at Sandusky, daughter of Paul Westerhold, who was born in Germany. She died in 1913, the mother of the following children: Charles, Florence and Roland, residents of Sandusky; Arnold J., who lives with his father; Clara, who died at the age of eight years, and Albert, who died at the age of twelve years. In 1916 Mr. Stang married Miss Lena M. Heintz, who was born at Sandusky, daughter of Gottlieb and Barbara Heintz, natives of Germany.

William Tarvin Fenker, M. D., one of the able and popular physicians and surgeons of Erie County, is here established in successful practice at the county seat, the City of Sandusky, and as a surgeon he was in active service overseas during the greater part of the period in which the United States was involved in the World war.

Doctor Fenker was born at Covington, Kentucky, December 3, 1889, and is a son of Albert A. and Mary G. (Hildebrant) Fenker, the former of whom likewise was born at Covington, and the latter was born in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, on the opposite side from Covington on the Ohio River. The father is now a traveling commercial salesman, and maintains his home in the City of Columbus, Ohio, where he and his wife have resided for a term of years.

In 1910 Doctor Fenker was graduated from the high school in Columbus, and in the same city he was graduated from Starling, Ohio, Medical College, now the medical department of the State University, as a member of the class of 1914. After receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he served one year as an interne in St. Francis Hospital at Columbus, and he then established his residence at Sandusky, where he held for two years the position of physician and surgeon at the Soldiers and Sailors Home.

In April, 1917, the month in which the nation entered the World war, Doctor Fenker enlisted for service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, in which he received commission as first lieutenant. He was stationed twelve days at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Indiana, and thereafter was on duty in the City of Washington, D. C., for a time. After his arrival in London he was transferred to duty with the British Army, with which he was in active service in Belgium and Northern France. While at the front he was severely gassed on the 21st of March, 1918, the result being that he was confined about eight weeks in a hospital in London. He then initiated further service through assignment to British hospitals, and he also found opportunity to take a post-graduate course in medicine and surgery while at Leeds, England. An attack of appendicitis necessitated an operation for the same, and in this connection he was confined in a hospital near London for a period of six weeks. He then resumed his active hospital service, and remained in England until February, 1919, when he sailed for home. In the following month he received his honorable discharge at Camp Dix, New Jersey, and he then returned to Sandusky, where he has since been engaged in the successful general practice of his profession, with offices at 408 West Monroe Street.

Doctor Fenker maintains an independent attitude in connection with political affairs. He has membership in the Erie County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he maintains also an active and appreciative affiliation with the American Legion. He and his wife are members of the Congregational Church.

May 5, 1917, recorded the marriage of Doctor Fenker and Miss Mary Lillie Cheetham, who was born at New Straitsville, Perry County, Ohio, and the one child of this union is a son, William J., who was born December 12, 1922.

Harley F. Hambel, postmaster of Glouster, Athens County, is a World war veteran, and one of the prominent young leaders in affairs in his section of the state.

He was born on a farm in Morgan County, six miles northeast of Glouster, February 24, 1895. His parents, Charles E. and Mary (Campbell) Hambel, are natives of Morgan County, and still live at the old home place. Charles E. Hambel, who is fifty-two years old, was a boy when his father died, and has devoted his years to farming. He has been township trustee, is a republican, is now superintendent of the Sunday School of the Methodist Protestant Church, and in every relation has proved his good citizenship. Of three children one died in infancy and the only daughter is Dottie, at home with her parents.

Harley F. Hambel was educated in public schools, and for one year taught a school near the old home. After passing the civil service examination he was

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appointed a rural mail carrier out of Glouster, and continued that work until July, 1917, when he answered the call to the colors. He was trained at Camp Johnston, Florida, and went overseas as a sergeant in the Quartermaster's Corps. He landed at Liverpool, and in France was stationed at Montierchaum two months, and the rest of the time was on duty at Brest, the great camp where most of the troops embarked for home. He received his honorable discharge June 4, 1919, and soon afterward became a clerk in the Glouster Postoffice, was promoted to assistant postmaster, and now has official charge of the office.

In 1918 he married Miss Garnette Hemry, daughter of Charles Hemry, whose home is near Glouster. They have one son, Raymond. Mr. Hambel is an elder in the Church of Christ and treasurer of its Sunday School. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Loyal Order of Moose and is a member of Frank McCann Post of the American Legion.

James Tertius Norton, M. D. Medical director of the Mason Tire & Rubber Company at Kent, Doctor Norton has had an unusual experience as a physician and surgeon. For several years he practiced in his native city of Cleveland, and then entered the army medical service and spent nearly three years in this country and overseas.

Doctor Norton was born at Cleveland, December 9, 1883, son of Lynn Frank and Margaret (Moore) Norton. His father was a native of Massachussetts and his mother of North Carolina. They were married in Ohio, and his father for many years was a traveling representative for a wholesale paper house. He died in 1910, and the widowed mother now lives with her son, Doctor Norton, in Kent.

James Tertius Norton attended the public and high schools of Cleveland, and took both his academic and medical courses in Western Reserve University. He was graduated with his Bachelor's degree in 1907, and in 1910 received his medical diploma. His abilities soon brought him a living practice in Cleveland, and he remained there until 1916.

In that year he was commissioned as first lieutenant in the Medical Corps, and was on duty with the National Guard Forces in the National Army in this country until June, 1918. He went overseas as a medical officer with the Thirty-seventh Division, spending a few days in England and then going to France. From February, 1918, until February, 1919, he served with the rank of captain and was then promoted to major. From January to May, 1919, he was with the Ninetieth Division, and following that was on duty at the chief surgeon's office until August, 1919. Doctor Norton received an honorable discharge from the service in September, 1919, at Camp Sherman, Ohio.

Soon after his release from active army duty he located at Kent, and has since had a busy program as medical director of the Mason Tire & Rubber Company. He also has a general practice as a physician and surgeon. Doctor Norton is a member of the Portage County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

On October 16, 1920, he married Miss Mary A. George, daughter of Benjamin George. She was born at Athens, Ohio. Doctor and Mrs. Norton are members of the Episcopal Church. He is an independent in politics, and fraternally is a Royal Arch Mason and a Delta Upsilon and Phi Rho Sigma. He belongs to the University Club of Cleveland, the Cleveland Automobile Club, the Twin Lakes Golf Club, the Rotary Club, and is a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

William A. Showers is a member of the contracting firm of William A. Showers & Company, at Crooksville in Perry County. Mr. Showers started his business career as an apprentice carpenter, and solely upon his own skill and industry has developed a business that is exemplified in structures all over this section of Ohio and also in other states.

William A. Showers was born at Duncan Run in Muskingum County, Ohio, in December, 1873. He acquired his early education at Deavertown in Morgan County, and as a boy during vacations worked with his grandfather, George Showers, a well known carpenter and builder of that day. At the age of sixteen, going to Columbus, William A. Showers, though then possessing a fair working knowledge of carpentry, was too young to receive a Union card, and accordingly continued an apprenticeship of three years. Following that he was again employed by his grandfather, and gradually took small contracts of his own and then larger ones. He started without capital, but was so efficient and prompt in discharging all his obligations and his promises that his personal integrity was more important than financial capital.

In former years Mr. Showers constructed a number of coal tipples. He also took contracts for digging shafts. In former years his work called him to other parts of the country, including the states of Mississippi and Texas. In Texas he did a great deal of building construction for the late John W. Gates at Port Arthur, and there he worked on the hospital and other buildings. Mr. Showers has been a contractor at Crooksville for a quarter of a century. In that time he has erected four schoolhouses here, also has done extension work on the local potteries, put up schoolhouses at Raymond and Middleburg, two in Newark, one at McCluney, one at Wigdon, one at Burley Run, at Lancaster, Murray City and a high school at New Lexington. He built a bank at Utica, a hotel in Newark, a bank in Stoutsville, the Catholic Church, school and parsonage at Corning, the Pine Grove Catholic Church, and the Crooksville Catholic Church. His business associates in the firm of W. A. Showers & Company are H. E. Pettitt and Spencer Thorpe.

Mr. Showers married Miss Mary Sowers, daughter of J. C. Sowers, of Crooksville. They have two sons, Harold and George. Harold being a student in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, while George is attending the Crooksville High School. Mrs. Showers is a Methodist. He is a republican, and has been active and influential in improving civic conditions in Crooksville.

Robert Gracey Denig. A record of long and distinguished service in the United States Navy was that of the late Commodore Robert Gracey Denig, and in his character and achievement he signally honored Ohio, the state of his birth. He lived to be of active service to the government in the period of the World war, though he had in the meanwhile retired from active duty in the navy, and he passed the closing period of his life in the City of Sandusky, where his death occurred on the 9th of April, 1924, and where his widow still maintains her home.

Commodore Denig was born in the City of Columbus, Ohio, May 22, 1851, and was a son of Robert McClintock Denig and Jane (Harry) Denig. In 1869 he was graduated from the high school of his native city, and in 1873 he was graduated from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. In his long years of active service in the navy his career was marked by consecutive advancement, which culminated in his being made a commodore. His naval career covered a period of thirty-five years, and he voluntarily retired June 30, 1908. Briefly may be outlined the record of Commodore Denig as

one of the distinguished and honored officers of the United States Navy. During the Panama revolution he was there in service on the following named United States war vessels: Saranac, Tuscarora and Benicia. He was with his ship at Honolulu at the time when Kalakaua was there elected king. He was aboard the ship Huron when this vessel was wrecked on the coast of North Carolina, November 24, 1877, and was one of the twenty-nine survivors of this disaster. He served on the flagship Trenton at the time when this vessel was assigned a European station, and was on the flagship Brooklyn on the Asiatic Station. Later he was on the flagship Baltimore in a cruise around the world; on the Atlantic coast of the United States he was attached to the flagship Philadelphia. He inspected the building of the gunboat Machias at Bath, Maine, and conducted her trial trips. In Manchuria at the time of the war between China and Japan he was on the U. S. S. Petral. In the Spanish-American war Commodore Denig was on the Niagara and Topeka, and participated in the bombardment of San Juan and the battle of Nipe Bay. On the flagship Chicago, as fleet engineer, and on Admiral Schley's staff, on the U. S. S. Chicago, he made the voyages around Africa and South America. Thereafter he was for some time on shore duty at Mare Island, Portsmouth, Newport, where he was assigned to the United States Naval Training Station. He was next assigned to inspection duty in the State of Pennsylvania, and thereafter became head of the department of steam engineering at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. His splendid activities included also his assignment to special duty in instruction in applied mathematics in Hamilton College, at Clinton, New York. In 1914, in company with his wife, Commodore Denig made the voyage to the Philippine Islands, and after his return he lived retired at the beautiful home in Sandusky until the nation became involved in the World war, when he volunteered for active service and was ordered an inspector of engineering material at Cincinnati and Cleveland, with headquarters at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and with jurisdiction in the States of Pennsylvania, New York and Ohio. In this service, in which he was a recognized authority, he continued until the armistice brought the war to a close, and he thereafter remained in well earned retirement until the time of his death, secure in the high regard of all who knew him and distinguished for his eminent service in the United States Navy.

Commodore Denig gave unswerving allegiance to the republican party, and his religious faith was that of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of which his widow likewise is a devoted communicant. He was a member of the American Society of Naval Engineers, of the Army and Navy Club of Washington, D. C.; of the Army and Navy Club of New York; of the University and Philobiblon clubs in the City of Philadelphia; and of the Columbus Club in his native city, the capital of Ohio. He was affiliated with the Phi Beta Kappa college fraternity, and was awarded the honor of the key by Hamilton College, and among the medals conferred upon him were those of the battle of Nipe Bay, in the Spanish-American war, and the United States campaign medal. He was a charter member of Sandusky Post of the American Legion, and was the oldest member of this national organization at the time of his death. He served as special correspondent for the New York Sun for many years, until that privilege was denied the navy by the United States Government.

On the 11th of April, 1878, was solemnized the marriage of Commodore Denig and Miss Jeannie Livingston Hubbard, of Sandusky, and concerning her ancestral history record will be given in appending paragraphs of his memoir. Of the children of Commodore and Mrs. Denig the firstborn is Grazia, who is the wife of Lieut. Com. Harry Shaw, of the United States Navy, in which he was in active service in the World war. Dorothy, the second child, died at the age of two years. Maj. Robert L. is the subject of the sketch following.

Mrs. Jeannie Livingston (Hubbard) Denig, widow of the honored subject of this memoir, occupies in Sandusky, at 134 East Adams Street, the fine old stone mansion that was erected by her father in 1850, and she has ever looked upon this city as her home. She is a daughter of the late Lester Samuel and Jane Paterson (Livingston) Hubbard, the latter having been a daughter of Dr. Charles Paterson Livingston, who was born at Poughkeepsie, New York, and who became a pioneer physician and surgeon in Ohio. Lester S. Hubbard came to Sandusky in 1834, and he long continued one of the most honored and influential citizens of this fair Ohio city. He was born at Bloomfield, Connecticut, December 16, 1807, the Hubbard family having been founded in that state in the Colonial period of our national history. Mr. Hubbard was a young man when he came to Ohio, in 1834, and after establishing his residence in Sandusky he here formed a partnership with Timothy Lester and engaged in the commission business under the firm name of Hubbard & Lester. Subsequently he became prominently concerned in the forwarding and commission business here, and in 1855 he became associated with William Durbin and Freeland Barney in establishing the private banking house of Barney, Hubbard & Durbin. After the death of Mr. Durbin the title of the firm became Hubbard & Company, and in 1864 the institution was reorganized and incorporated as the Second National Bank of Sandusky. Of this old and substantial institution Mr. Hubbard continued the president until his death, in 1875. He was one of the most liberal and progressive citizens and business men of Sandusky, and did much to advance the civic and material prosperity of the city. He was called upon for advice in connection with public and business affairs, for his mature judgment was reinforced by inflexible integrity in all of the relations of life, and he won and retained the unqualified confidence and esteem of all with whom he came in contact. Generous, tolerant and kindly, he was ever ready to aid those in need or distress, and his beautiful home, with his wife as its gracious and popular chatelaine, was a center of genuine and cultured social hospitality. His marriage to Miss Jane Paterson Livingston was solemnized June 25, 1850, and of their ten children Mrs. Denig is now the sole survivor. The son Charles Livingston Hubbard was born April 28, 1851, and became a representative member of the bar of Erie County, he having engaged in the practice of law at Sandusky at the time of his death. He married Jennie Matilda West, daughter of William T. West. The next younger son was Lester Samuel, Jr., who attended Yale University and also the law school of Columbia University. He was born at Sandusky, September 22, 1854, and was graduated from the Columbia Law School as a member of the class of 1876. He engaged in the practice of his profession in Denver, Colorado, but in 1878 returned to Ohio and became associated in practice with Judge Burke, of Cleveland. He finally returned to Denver, and later engaged in practice at New Whatcom, Washington Territory, now Bellingham in the present State of Washington, where he remained until his death. About the fine old homestead which is the residence of Mrs. Denig there cluster for her many gracious memories and associations, and she has long been a representative figure in the social and cultural activities of her home city.

Robert Livingston Denig. In his gallant service as an officer in the United States Marine Corps, Major

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Denig has conferred new honors on the family name, his father, Commodore Robert G. Denig, having long served with distinction as a member and officer of the United States Navy, as may be seen by reference to the memorial tribute which appears on other pages of this publication. In the sketch of the career of Commodore Denig are given adequate data also concerning the family history, so that a further review is not demanded in the present article.

Maj. Robert Livingston Denig was born at Clinton, New York, September 29, 1884, and is the only son of Commodore Robert G. and Jeannie Livingston (Hubbard) Denig. The Denig family was founded in Ohio in the pioneer days, when Robert McClintock Denig and Jane (Harry) Denig, grandparents of the subject of this review, came from Pennsylvania to Ohio. The grandfather was born at Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, and was a young man when, in 1820, he made the journey on horseback from that state to Ohio, for the purpose of attending Kenyon College at Gambier, Ohio. After his high-school course Maj. Robert L. Denig attended St. John's Military Academy at Manlius, New York, and later was a student in the University of Pennsylvania. President Roosevelt appointed him to membership in the United States Marine Corps on the 29th of November, 1905, and in 1906-7 he was in service with the Army of Pacification in Cuba. In 1906-7 he made the voyage around the world with the United States Navy fleet on the battleship Missouri, and thereafter he was stationed at various points in the United States and the Philippine Islands until his native land became involved in the great World war. Barely an hour after President Wilson had signed the declaration of war against Germany a detachment of marines from the Philadelphia Navy Yard, under command of Maj. Robert L. Denig, boarded and seized the interned German vessels in the harbor of Philadelphia, and on the 17th of August, 1917, in command of the Seventeenth Company, Base Battalion, Fifth Regiment of the Marine Corps, Major Denig landed in France. He was stationed in turn at St. Nazaire and Bordeaux, and was appointed an instructor at the first-course school at Gondrecourt, where he was in such service in November and December. In the following February and March he was instructor in the school of the line at Langres, and in April, May and June he had command of the First Battalion of the Thirtieth Infantry, Third Division, in the training area. On the Marne he was second in command of the Second Battalion, Sixth Regiment of Marines, in the second battle of the Marne, or Soissons. He thereafter had command of the Third Battalion Second Division, from August until October, in the Marbach sector, and participated in the battle of Blanc Mont, as well as engagements of the St. Mihiel sector. September 12, 1918, Mapor Denig received a minor wound in his right hand, and on the third of the following month, at Blanc Mont, he was wounded in both the lower and upper portions of his left arm by gun shot. This injury necessitated his confinement in a Red Cross hospital in the City of Paris, and November 29, 1918, a few weeks after the signing of the now historic armistice, he sailed for home. He was discharged from the hospital in January, 1919, and he has since continued in service, at various stations in the United States, with the Second Brigade of Marines, with which command also he was called into service in connection with revolutionary activities at Santo Domingo. By the United States Government Major Denig has been decorated with the Distinguished Service Cross and the Navy Cross, and by France he was made a chevalier of the Legion of Honor, with decoration of the Croix de Guerre with bronze star, and with the Victory medal with palm and five bars and the fourragère.

Major Denig, like his honored father, is a staunch advocate and supporter of the principles of the republican party, and he and his wife are communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the faith of which he was reared.

On the 13th of November, 1907, was solemnized the marriage of Major Denig and Miss Maude Broumel King, who was born in the City of Baltimore, Maryland, a daughter of Lieut.-Com. Charles A. E. King, United States Navy, and Minnie (Broumel) King. Major and Mrs. Denig have three fine sons, Robert Livingston, Jr., Charles Ely and James Livingston. The Major and his family find occasional opportunity to visit the home of his loved and devoted mother in the City of Sandusky, Ohio, and here, as elsewhere, his circle of friends is coincident with that of his acquaintances.

David M. Rodgers. One of the very successful business men of Corning, who has used his business influence and enterprise to promote every substantial and essential interests of the community, David M. Rodgers is now one of the town's oldest merchants, having been continuously identified with the hardware business there since 1889, a period of thirty-five years.

Mr. Rodgers was born at Corning, December 28, 1867, son of Nelson and Miriam (Sanders) Rodgers. The Sanders were a Maryland family. Miriam Sanders Rodgers died in 1895, at the age of sixty-two. Nelson Rodgers was brought to Ohio in 1828, when an infant. His father, Joseph Rodgers, lived in Pennsylvania for some years, and when he left that state was possessed of a comfortable fortune for those days. Going to Wheeling, West Virginia, he invested in land but due to a defective title lost all he had. Therefore, when he came to Ohio in 1828, and settled in Perry County he was a poor man. He located at Rehobeth and later moved to Monroe Township. He was well educated, bnt his son Nelson Rodgers, growing up in a new country, had practically no schooling though he developed strong qualities of mind by experience and was especially known for his good business judgment. His farm comprised the north part of the town of Corning, while the south part of the town was owned by Joseph Rodgers. Corning was started as a town in 1879, and has developed into one of the most important commercial centers of Perry County. In his younger years Nelson Rodgers was a stock dealer and drover. It was his practice to buy live stock in this section of Ohio and drive the stock over the mountains to Eastern markets, chiefly Baltimore. One of his ventures proved almost disastrous. He paid the prevailing market rates for a large bunch of cattle, but by the time he got them to Baltimore the market had gone to pieces and he lost $2,800 on the deal, practically all he had. However, his neighbors had complete faith in his integrity, and he started again on credit. In later years he accumulated a fortune, partly by selling the land for townsite purposes and selling coal lands for a large sum. He and his older sons were in the meat market business at Corning for a number of years. Nelson Rodgers, who died in 1912, was an active member of the Church of the Disciples and a republican in politics. He and his wife had a family of six children. Kalita Austin, the oldest son, was as a young man associated with his father in the meat business at Corning. Later they bought a ranch at Garden Plaines, Kansas, but after a few seasons of hot winds were forced to sell and Austin then moved to Georgia, later to New Mexico, and finally returned to Ohio, where he died at the age of sixty-two. The second son, B. F. Rodgers, is now president of the Citizens National Bank of New Lexington, Ohio. Abasha Lincoln, the third son, is a traveling salesman. David M. is the next in age. The daughters, Miss Epsie lives at Corning, and Ida May married C. H. Bell,

formerly of Corning, and now a resident of Pennsylvania.

David M. Rodgers acquired his early education in Corning, and for two years attended the Ohio Northern University at Ada, taking the scientific course. When he returned home he went to work in his father's meat market, and in 1889, in partnership with his father, he engaged in the hardware business under the firm name of N. Rodgers & Son. In 1890 he and his brother-in-law, Charles H. Bell, took over the business and the firm of Rodgers & Bell continued until 1902. Since then David M. Rodgers has been in business under his own name. To the hardware stock furniture and lumber were subsequently added, and the business has been steadily prosperous through all the years. The nucleus of the present store building was formerly a skating rink, built when roller skating was the craze. However, it has been greatly enlarged for the present commercial purposes.

A number of years ago Mr. Rodgers as a public spirited man of the times established the Rodgers Bulletin, a monthly publication in the interest of the town, and in publishing it he became a fairly good printer. He kept his printing office in his store until increasing business made it necessary to discontinue the publication.

In 1893 Mr. Rodgers married Miss Nettie Berkimer, daughter of George Berkimer, who was a railroad man. Mrs. Rodgers died in 1912, the mother of two children, Harold and Mrs. Kathleen Mosier, of Corning. Harold is an ex-service man, going to France with the Motor Truck Corps, and helped transport ammunition and other supplies to the front. He accompanied the army into Germany, and received his honorable discharge in July, 1919.

The present wife of Mr. Rodgers was Miss Jane Hardy, a daughter of Thomas Hardy, who came from England. Mrs. Rodgers is a member of the United Brethren Church. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

Lyle Steen Hill, M. D., is a physician and surgeon of proved ability, but in the work of his profession he has realized the value and consistency of concentration, with the result that he now confines his attention exclusively to radiography or X-ray service, in which he has gained authoritative status. He is successfully established in this important branch of professional service in the City of Sandusky, judicial center of his native county.

The old homestead farm on which Doctor Hill was born, near Berlin Heights, Erie County, is a part of the landed estate here acquired by his paternal great-grandfather in the early pioneer days when this section of the Buckeye State was little more than a frontier wilderness. The Doctor was born March 19, 1881, and is a son of George Fitch Hill and Mary (Steen) Hill, both likewise natives of Erie County. George F. Hill was a son of Benjamin and Johanna (Greer) Hill, who passed their entire lives in Ohio. Benjamin Hill was a son of Noah and Sukie (Butler) Hill, who came from Connecticut in the early part of the nineteenth century and became pioneer settlers in Erie County. Dangers and other adverse conditions here obtaining at the time of the War of 1812 caused Noah Hill to return with his family to Connecticut, but eventually he came again to his frontier farm in Erie County, where he reclaimed his land from the virgin forest and where he continued one of the substantial citizens and representative farmers of his day until the time of his death. It was on a part of this ancestral estate that the father of Doctor Hill continued for many years his successful activities as an agriculturist and stock-grower, and he was one of the venerable and honored native sons of Erie County at the time of his death, in September, 1922. His widow still maintains her home at Berlin Heights, and is loved by all who have come within the compass of her gracious influence. She is a daughter of the late Charles and Lorinda (Stephens) Steen, who were residents of Erie County for many years prior to their death, the lineage of the Steen family tracing back to staunch Scotch-Irish stock in the North of Ireland.

After completing his high-school course Dr. Lyle S. Hill entered the University of Michigan, in which he was graduated in 1908, with the degree of Electrical Engineer. In 1914 he was graduated from Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery, in the Michigan metropolis, and after thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he continued to be engaged in X-Ray work in the City of Cleveland until June, 1920, when he opened his offices and laboratory at Sandusky. Here he confines his attention to X-Ray work, and is able to give most valuable cooperation to his professional confreres, for he has not only distinct ability as a physician and surgeon but also a broad and accurate knowledge of applied electricity, especially in its application in connection with medical and surgical work. The Doctor is an active member of the Radiological Society of North America, the American Medical Association, the Ohio State Medical Society and the Erie County Medical Society.

In politics Doctor Hill has alignment in the ranks of the republican party. His wife holds membership in the Congregational Church. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Knights of Pythias, and in his home city, he is a member of the Rotary Club, the Sunyendeand Club and the Izaak Walton League.

July 29, 1912, marked the marriage of Doctor Hill and Miss Helen Wilson, who was born in Lenawee County, Michigan, a daughter of Andrew and Harriet (Kimball) Wilson. Doctor and Mrs. Hill have three children: Merritt Raymond, James Douglas and Harriet Mary.

George Francis Freitas is a citizen who commands high place in popular confidence and esteem, as is indicated by his being a member and chairman of the Municipal Board of Commissioners of the City of Sandusky, and thus ex-officio mayor of the city, and also by his incumbency of the office of grand president of the Licensed Tugmen's Protective Association of the Great Lakes, a position which he has held, through successive re-elections, since the year 1914. He has played a large part in connection with navigation interests on the Great Lakes, and along this line has had many trying and hazardous experiences.

Mr. Freitas was born in the City of Buffalo, New York, February 14, 1870, and is a son of John and Mary (Lattimer) Freitas, the former of whom was a native of Portugal, and the latter born in Buffalo, New York, where she still maintains her home and where her husband's death occurred, he having there been engaged in the sand business for a long period of years.

The public schools of his native city afforded Mr. Freitas his youthful education, and there also he early gained experience of practical order, as he was but twelve years of age when he initiated his service as a driver of a team of horses used in connection with his father's business. After four years of work along this line he became a tug-boat fireman in the Buffalo harbor, and there he won advancement to the status of engineer and pilot. In 1904 he came to Sandusky and assumed the position of master of a tugboat in commission in connection with the towing of stone scows from Sandusky Bay to south shore ports on Lake Erie. He continued his efficient service in this connection until the autumn of 1913, and in January, 1914, was

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elected grand president of the Tugmen's Protective Association of the Great Lakes. Each successive year since that time he has been re-elected, and at the meeting of the association held at Toledo in January, 1924, he had the distinction of receiving an unanimous re-election, this being a testimonial to the high estimate placed upon his adminstration. His official duties have engrossed a goodly part of his time and attention during his entire period of service as executive head of this important organization. Mr. Freitas has been a member of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Sandusky since January 1, 1919, and in his re-election he received the largest vote ever cast for any one candidate for municipal office in this city. As the progressive and loyal chairman of the board he is called upon to give virtual service also as mayor of his home city, and he has been the zealous champion of all measures and undertakings that have been brought forward for the civic and material good of the city. In politics he supports men and measures meeting the approval of his judgment, rather than being constrained by strict partisan lines. He is a zealous communicant of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church at Sandusky, as was also his wife, whose death occurred February 26, 1924, and he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

On the 17th of March, 1889, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Freitas and Miss Emma Knight, who likewise was born and reared in Buffalo, New York, and who was a daughter of John and Bridget (Brennen) Knight, the former of whom was born in England and the latter in Ireland. Mrs. Freitas is survived by six children: John, who resides in Sandusky; Margaret, who is the wife of Alfred Presler, of Fremont, this state; Mary, who is the wife of Clarence Hess, of Sandusky; Alice who is the wife of Edward Myers, of Sandusky; and Edward and Ann, who remain at the paternal home.

An experience of Mr. Freitas in connection with navigation matters is worthy of special mention in this review. In April, 1907, during one of the worst of gales on Lake Erie, a stone scow of the Kelleys Island Lime & Transport Company broke from its mooring on Kelleys Island and, with its crew of five men, went adrift at the mercy of the storm. Mr. Freitas was notified of the predicament of the periled mariners and was asked to go to their rescue. From his employers he gained permission to use one of their tugs in this hazardous venture, and, with a crew of fourteen equally faithful and determined men, he set forth in the face of the storm, finally found the tug and passed a line to the same, and, after several attempts, attended by hard work and much danger, he succeeded in towing the scow to the port in Sandusky and in saving the lives of its crew. It may be noted also that on the 22d of December, 1903, in command of a tug with scows in tow to a distance of more than a mile, Mr. Freitas set forth to bring the flotilla to Cleveland, Ohio, where he arrived on the 24th of the same month. This was a perilous voyage, as a gale was blowing with a blinding snow, at the time when the tug and its tow scows finally made the Cleveland port, about six o'clock in the evening. It is needless to say that Mr. Freitas has never flinched from service of duty in whatever way it has been presented, and this fact accounts largely for his secure place in popular confidence and good will.

FRANK H. MAY, D. D. S., has represented his profession in the town of Glouster, Athens County, for many years. He is a native of Southeastern Ohio, and of an old family of Washington County.

He was born at New Matamoras, Washington County, son of Hosea B. and Callie (Disque) May. His father, who died in 1921, at the age of seventy-six, was in the hardware business at New Matamoras, and the business he founded and carried on for many years is now continued by his son Albert May. He was a republican, liberal in contributions to public matters, was an elder in the Presbyterian Church, a charter member of the Knights of Pythias, and a stockholder in the First National Bank. His widow survives him and lives at New Matamoras. There are two sons and three daughters: Elbert; Dr. Frank H.; Mrs. R. C. Work, who is the present county clerk of Logan County; Mrs. W. A. Smith, of New Matamoras; and Mrs. Montgomery, wife of Rev. J. S. Montgomery.

Frank H. May grew up at New Matamoras, and after graduating from high school there entered the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, where he was graduated in 1905. In 1906, after passing the State Board of Dental Examiners, he engaged in practice at Jacksonville, and was one of the popular members of his profession and a live and progresive citizen of that community for ten years. On leaving Jacksonville he removed to Glouster, where he does a large professional business. He is a member of the local and state dental societies.

While living at Jacksonville Doctor May served two terms as mayor. He is a member of the Masonic Order. In 1908 he married Miss Mary Eaton, daughter of W. M. Eaton, Civil war veteran. The only child born to Doctor and Mrs. May was a daughter, Anna Mary, four years old. Shortly after her death Doctor and Mrs. May removed to Glouster.

JOSEPH B. SHEPLER, county prosecuting attorney of Coshocton County, is a World war veteran, and is a member of a family that has been honorably represented in the history and affairs of Coshocton County for four generations.

Mr. Shepler's great-grandfather, Peter Shepler, came from Pennsylvania to Ohio about 1810, settling in Mill Creek Township, Coshocton County. Soon afterwards he erected a brick residence that is still standing as a landmark of more than a century of time. He was also instrumental in erecting the Shepler Church near his home, and this edifice likewise stands today. His son, Andrew Jackson Shepler, was born on his father's farm in Mill Creek Township, and spent most of his life at Coshocton. He was a pioneer photographer, taking up the practice of that art long before the perfection of the dry plate process was discovered. He died at Coshocton in 1924, in his eighty-second year. The wife of Andrew Jackson Shepler was Nancy Gray, who came from Baltimore to Ohio.

Their son, Edward Lee Shepler, was born in Coshocton County, learned during his youth the printers' trade, and has been identified with printing and its allied arts throughout his mature experience in Coshocton, where he resides. Edward L. Shepler married Mary Stockman who was born in Coshocton County, and they have a family of two sons and one daughter.

One of the sons is Joseph B. Shepler, who was born at Coshocton, October 20, 1895. He was given liberal opportunities for an education, graduating from the Coshocton High School in 1913, and then entered the law department of Ohio Northern University. He graduated in 1917, was admitted to the bar the same year, and had a brief experience in practice at Coshocton before the Government required his services.

In June, 1918, he joined the colors, being sent to Camp Taylor at Louisville, Kentucky. He was put in an Officers' Training School, and was finally transferred to Camp Sherman at Chillicothe, Ohio, where he was commissioned a second lieutenant in September, 1918. In the same month he went overseas with the

Eighty-fourth Division, and later was commissioned a first lieutenant. Following the armistice he was returned to the United States, and at Camp Sherman received an honorable discharge July 21, 1919. Mr. Shepler has been prominently identified with the American Legion, being a past commander of the Coshocton Post. With his release from the army Mr. Shepler resumed his law practice at Coshocton. He was nominated on the democratic ticket in 1922 as candidate for prosecuting attorney, and was elected that fall. He took office in 1923, and has proved an unusually forceful, courageous and efficient prosecutor. Mr. Shepler is a member of the Episcopal Church, and fraternally is a Royal Arch Mason, Knight of Pythias and Elk. He belongs to the Coshocton Rotary Club. He married in 1922 Miss Nellie Green, daughter of William and Jennie Green, of Coshocton. Her father is the international secretary and treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America.

L. W. Ours, deputy United States marshal for the southern district of Ohio, has his official headquarters in Columbus, but his home for nearly forty years has been in Pickaway County, where he has long enjoyed recognition as one of the leading farmers and stockmen.

Mr. Ours was born in Vinton County, Ohio, January 2, 1869, son of L. A. and Mary Jane (Atwood) Ours, his father a native of West Virginia. Marshal Ours was reared on a farm, acquired a common school education, and from boyhood has been identified with farming and stock raising. In 1884, when he was fifteen years old, the family removed from Vinton County to Monroe Township, Pickaway County, and he has occupied the old homestead there ever since. He has a farm of 275 acres of the rich and valuable land characteristic of his home county. His operations and his influence have been in line with the progressive development of Pickaway County as one of the outstanding centers of successful agriculture in America. While he does general farming, his specialty for a number of years has been the breeding of Percheron horses. He handled only registered animals, and some of the finest stock of this kind in the country has been developed at his place.

Along with farming Mr. Ours began interesting himself in local politics a number of years ago, and was prominent in the councils of the republican party in Pickaway County and has also attended many county and state conventions as a delegate. In November, 1922, he was appointed deputy United States marshal for the southern district of Ohio, comprising thirty counties in Central and South Central, Ohio. Soon after his appointment he took up his official duties in Columbus. Mr. Ours is unmarried, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Philip Buerkle was a child of two years at the time when his parents established the family home in the City of Sandusky, and here he was reared to manhood, his early educational advantages having been those of the public schools. Here he has continuously maintained his home save for an interval of seven years, and that he has secure place in the confidence and esteem of this community is assured by his having served as a member of the Municipal Council and also as mayor of the city. He is now one of the successful exponents of the general insurance business in Sandusky and Erie County.

Mr. Buerkle was born in Bergen County, New Jersey, March 7, 1855, and is a son of August and Barbara (Kek) Buerkle, both natives of Germany. While a resident of New Jersey August Buerkle gave his attention to the farm industry, though he was a nailmaker by trade. In 1857 he came with his family to Ohio and established his residence in Sandusky, where he and his wife passed the remainder of their lives. Here he followed his trade many years, and thereafter he held the position of stationary engineer in the manufacturing plant of Klotz & Kromer.

At the age of thirteen years Philip Buerkle assumed the dignified position of printer's devil in the office of the Sandusky Herald, and in due course he learned the printer's trade. At the age of seventeen years, as a full-fledged journeyman printer, he left Sandusky, and within his absence during a period of seven years he was employed at his trade in Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago. After his return to Sandusky he continued to be associated with the printing business until 1891, and in the meanwhile he had been called upon to serve as a member of the City Council. In April, 1891, as candidate on the ticket of the democratic party, of whose principles he has ever been a staunch advocate, Mr. Buerkle was elected mayor of Sandusky, and he continued the efficient chief executive of the municipal government until 1895, in an administration marked by progressive and liberal policies. Upon retiring from the office of mayor he established his present business and a short time thereafter he admitted Mr. A. C. Lermann, as a partner. This effective alliance has since continued, the while the firm has built up a substantial and representative business in the underwriting of the various lines of insurance. Mr. Buerkle has served also as a member and clerk of the Board of Education, and in the office of justice of the peace. He is an active member of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, has passed the various official chairs in his lodge of the Knights of Pythias, and is affiliated also with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

The year 1882 recorded the marriage of Mr. Buerkle to Miss Sophia Giedman, who was born and reared in Sandusky and who is a daughter of the late John and Teresa (Feist) Giedman. Mr. and Mrs. Buerkle have two daughters: Minnie is the wife of William B. Moon, of Sandusky, and Amelia T. is the wife of Charles J. Neff, of this city.

Emil Brengartner. On Washington Row in his native City of Sandusky is located the modern undertaking and funeral-directing establishment of Mr. Brengartner, who has here been associated with this line of business for many years, and who now conducts one of the leading enterprises of this kind in the city, with facilities and service of the most modern order.

Mr. Brengartner was born in Sandusky in the year 1859, and is a son of Sylvester and Margaret (Daniels) Brengartner, both natives of Germany, though the latter was a child when the parents, Peter and Dorothy (Rader) Daniels, came to Erie County and established their home on a farm, the remainder of their lives having been passed in this county, where they were honored as sterling pioneer citizens. Sylvester Brengartner was long engaged in the dry-goods business at Sandusky. His wife was a devout communicant of the Catholic Church.

Emil Brengartner attended the parochial schools of Sandusky until he was fourteen years old, and for five years thereafter he gave his attention to the caring for and training of horses. He next passed one year at Indianapolis, Indiana, where he was in the employ of the Standard Oil Company, and he then returned to Sandusky and was for two years in the employ of the undertaking firm of Ruff & Son. He thereafter was for fourteen years in the employ of John Krupp & Son, engaged in the same line of business, and during the last seven years he had active management of the business. He then rendered equally effective service in the development and up-

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building of the undertaking business of Charles Andres, with whom he continued to be associated until 1914, when he initiated his present independent business as an undertaker and funeral director. He is a licensed embalmer, and his broad experience has made him an authority in all matters pertaining to the business of which he is now a leading exponent in his native city.

In national politics Mr. Brengartner is a republican but in local affairs he supports men and measures meeting the approval of his judgment, irrespective of strict partisan lines. He has served as a member of the City Council, and has membership in the local Chamber of Commerce and the Benevolent Association He and his family are communicants of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, Knights of the Maccabees, Knights and Ladies of Security, Fraternal Order of Eagles and Loyal Order of Moose.

On the 16th of June, 1884, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Brengartner and Miss Margaret Keaney, who likewise was born in Sandusky and whose parents, Michael and Margaret Keaney, were born in Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Brengartner have four children: Miss Estella remains at the parental home; Chester still resides in Sandusky; Ira is a resident of the City of Cleveland; and Ruth is the youngest member of the parental home circle.

James Daniel Parker, M. D., is a native son of Erie County, Ohio, and here he is now a representative physician and surgeon in the City of Sandusky, the county seat, where, as an exponent of the benignant Homeopathic system of medicine, he controls a substantial general practice, besides being chief of the staff of physicians and surgeons of Providence Hospital and a member of the staff of Good Samaritan Hospital.

On both the paternal and maternal sides Doctor Parker is a scion of pioneer ancestry in Ohio. His paternal grandfather, Joshua Parker, was born in England, and was an early settler in Erie County, Ohio, where he reclaimed and developed a farm, his early wheat crops having been hauled by wagon to Milan for shipment by the old-time canals. William Stevenson Gurley, maternal grandfather of the Doctor, passed his entire life in Ohio and was of sterling Irish lineage. His father, William Gurley, a Protestant in religion, was several times designated for execution at the time of the religious troubles in Ireland, and in 1812 he escaped with his family to the United States, the home being established in Ohio, the War of 1812 was then in progress. He became one of the early clergymen of the Methodist Episcopal Church in this state, and lived up to the full tension of trials and hardships incidental to life on the frontier.

Dr. James Daniel Parker was born in Perkins Township, Erie County, Ohio, September 2, 1876, and is a son of James Daniel and Sarah Susan (Gurley) Parker, the former of whom was born near the Village of Monroeville, Huron County, Ohio, and the latter in Erie County.

James D. Parker, Sr., for many years conducted the Buckeye Business College in the City of Sandusky, and brought the institution to a high standard. He was one of the well known and highly honored citizens of Erie County at the time of his death, in January, 1915, and his widow is now a resident of Bogart Corners, this county.

After his course in the Sandusky High School Doctor Parker entered the Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College, which is now the Homeopathic School of the University of Ohio, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1900. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he opened an office in Sandusky in April of the same year, and here he has since been successfully engaged in the practice of his profession. He is an active and valued member of the Erie County Medical Society, the Ohio State Homeopathic Medical Society, the American Association and the American Institute of Homeopathy. He is a member of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, and at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1924, is president of the Sunyendeand Club, besides being a member of the Plum Brook Country Club. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and while he has had no desire for public office, his civic loyalty is being shown in his effective service as a member of the Board of Education in his home city. Here he and his wife are zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he has served as a member of its official board.

In autumn of the year 1900 was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Parker and Miss Florence Glenn Day, who was born at Elmore, Sandusky County, where also occurred the birth of her father, Amos Day, whose wife, Mrs. Ena (Durkee) Day, was born in Massachusetts. Doctor and Mrs. Parker have five children: Ruth Evelyn, Virginia Mary, James Daniel III, Watson Day and Lester Gurley.

Calvin Essex, of Columbus, and New Straitsville, performed a tremendous amount of development work in the mining regions of the Hocking Valley. Coal operators in that district speak of him as one of the pioneers in the industry. For a great many years some of the most important coal operations in Ohio have been conducted by members of the Essex family. Calvin Essex had two of his brothers actively associated with him for ten years, and his sons now have active charge of the Essex mining interests.

From 1885 to 1892 Mr. Calvin Essex had charge of the Troy Mine, but since then has been interested in a large number of mines. His brothers at times associated with him and also as independent operators were Hanna and Nelson Essex. Essex Mine No. 37 was named for Mr. Calvin Essex, who did most of the development work, and with his brothers Hanna and Nelson operated the mine until 1909, in which year he disposed of his interests. His brothers are now the operators. Mr. Essex leased the land from Tracey, on which the mining center of Coalgate is now located. His sons Charles S., Robert L. and Fred are now in charge of the Essex mining interests. In 1913 Mr. Calvin Essex had a great deal to do with the opening of mines at Pomeroy in Meigs County. There are seven mines now there, and they are owned and operated by the Statler-Essex Coal Company, the Pomeroy and the Hocking Mining Company and two other companies. Mr. Essex is interested in the Kimberly Coal & Mining Company at Nelsonville, the Ohio Mining Company at Jacksonville, and Nos. 1 and 2 mines, known as the Coalgate & Lost Run Mines, at New Straitsville.

Few men have the capacity for so much hardwork and are so successful in handling various affairs as Mr. Calvin Essex. He was born on his father's farm in Morgan County, Ohio, August 5, 1848, son of Nathan H. and Elizabeth J. (Morris) Essex. The Essex family came from England nearly three hundred years ago, while the Morris family is of Scotch ancestry. Nathan Essex was a farmer, and enlisted for a hundred day service during the Civil war. However, he was sent home on account of being crippled. His brother Martin was one of the prominent men in political and local affairs in this section of Ohio, and was a polished orator, frequently speaking at Fourth of July and other celebrations. Nathan Essex died in 1873, in his fifty-second year, and his wife

died at New Straitsville in 1896. They were very devout and active members of the Bible Christian Church, and while the family lived in Star Township of Hocking County he was the chief supporter of Mount Zion Church.

Second in a family of six sons and four daughters, Calvin Essex had limited educational advantages, attending school only three months each year. It was a district country school, and beyond its opportunities he had to depend upon the resources of an active mind and a sound intelligence to promote him in life's affairs. Mr. Essex in 1877 opened a bake shop and grocery store at New Straitsville. His business grew rapidly, but in a short time he realized the possibilities of coal production, started the opening of mines, and soon gave up the grocery business to concentrate his entire attention upon that industry. Still later he engaged in the furniture and undertaking business, taking a course of lectures in embalming, and for many years attended all the meetings of funeral directors. He was in the furniture and undertaking business for many years, until 1913, when he disposed of it in order to give his personal energies to the development of the mines at Pomeroy, as above noted. A few years afterwards his sons insisted that he give up the heavy responsibilities connected with mine operation, but not being content to be idle he in 1920 reengaged in the furniture and undertaking business at New Straitsville.

In former years he served on the Town Council and health board of New Straitsville. In 1871 he married Miss Evelyn Stalter, daughter of William Stalter, of Logan, Hocking County. Their marriage companionship continued forty-five years, until the death of Mrs. Essex on September 14, 1916. Since her death Mr. Essex has made his home in Columbus with his daughter, Mrs. Winters, though he continues to spend considerable time at New Straitsville, looking after his personal business interests. He has served many years on the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has been a member of the Masonic Order since 1882 and of the Odd Fellows Lodge at Logan since he was twenty-one. He is a member of the Encampment in Odd Fellowship. In politics he has voted for men rather than party, and he grew up a great admirer of Lincoln and Lincoln's politics expressed in the republican party, but years later became a Bryan democrat.

The oldest child of Mr. Essex is Luella, wife of Dr. B. E. Winters, formerly of New Straitsville, now of Columbus. Charles S. is a mine superintendent and also has a garage at New Straitsville. Elizabeth is the wife of A. E. Duvall, of New Straitsville. Robert L. is superintendent of the Lost Run mine, and Fred lives at Columbus and is general superintendent of the Essex mining interests, with a working force of 2,000 employes.

Edmund Fremont Danford, M. D. Now retired from his profession, Doctor Danford was one of the pioneer physicians and surgeons of Glouster, Athens County, and for a time he carried alone the burdens of an extensive country practice throughout the agricultural and mining districts. As a citizen he has achieved the lasting respect of his community.

He was born on a farm in Morgan County, Ohio, two miles east of Trimble, October 15, 1856, son of John and Mary (Braderick) Danford. His father John Danford, was born on Captina Creek in Belmont County, Ohio. John's brother Samuel was the father of Lorenzo Dow Danford, a conspicuous leader in the republican party of Ohio after the war and for many years a member of Congress. The Danfords were pioneers in the eastern parts of the state, and the Bradericks came from New Jersey. Mary Braderick had three brothers, Isaiah, Isaac and Thomas, who were Methodist Ministers. John Danford and wife were married in Belmont County, and then moved into the woods of Morgan County. He was active in local affairs, teaching school in the old Hop House, held the office of justice of the peace twenty-four years, and for a long time was an elder in the Church of Christ and superintendent of its Sunday school. In his youth he voted as a whig and later a republican who cast his first ballot for John C. Fremont. John Danford and wife had eleven children. The sons were: Isaac William, deceased; Doctor H. D., who was a volunteer soldier in the Civil war and for many years practiced medicine at Trimble, being now deceased; Silas J., who for years was a merchant at Trimble and now lives at Athens; Elijah Allen, a teacher and farmer, deceased; Lydia Carey, deceased, of Valley Falls, Kansas. Chas E., deceased; Rev. Thomas J., a Methodist minister who died at Crooksville; Dr. Edmund F.; Marion E., former prosecuting attorney at McConnelsville, Ohio; and Seward Sherman, a well known merchant and banker at Glouster. Nancy a twin sister of Lydia, passed away in early girlhood.

Edmund Fremont Danford attended school in the Lewis district as a boy, had one term in a select school at Trimble, and for twelve years his time and energies were divided between work on the farm, teaching and study. For twelve years he taught in Morgan and Athens counties, and three years of this time were spent at Trimble. At that time neither Trimble nor Glouster had communication with the outside world by railroad. While teaching at Trimble he took up the study of medicine under his brother, and later he entered the Medical College of Ohio at Cincinnati, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in March, 1881. While he was away in school the railroad was completed, and when he returned to Glouster he traveled by train. After graduating he practiced with his brother at Trimble a year, spent two years at Jacksonville, and in 1884 established his home at Glouster. At that time Doctor Pickering, a physician, had a drug store here, and soon gave up his practice to give all his time to his business. That left Doctor Danford the entire field, and he looked after the practice in the village and a large section of the surrounding country. He rode night and day horse back, and none of the younger men in the profession have ever had so much strenuous work in following their calling as Doctor Danford. He continued his practice until 1916.

The only public office he has held was that of corporation clerk in Jacksonville for one term, his salary for the year being fifteen dollars. He has attended many county, district and state republican conventions. He is a Master Mason, and for thirty-six years an elder in the Church of Christ.

On April 30, 1882, Doctor Danford married Miss Sarah Frances Andrews, daughter of Samuel M. and Susannah (Davis) Andrews. She was born in Athens County, October 21, 1859, and died January 5, 1885. The only child of this marriage is Frank A. Danforth, a Glouster business man.

On December 19, 1886, Doctor Danford married Mary Elvira Allen, who was born April 29, 1862, on a farm now included in the Town of Glouster. She died July 14, 1898. By his second marriage Doctor Danford has four daughters: Gladys Allen, who graduated from Ohio University at Athens in 1923, and is a teacher in the Glouster High School; Lalla Rookh, a graduate of the Ohio University in 1924, and a teacher in the Glouster High School; Dorothy Adene, who graduated in music from Ohio University and is the wife of Thomas Gibson, a druggist at Athens; and Mary E., a graduate of the Glouster High School and the wife of Harold E. Kinney, of Glouster. Doctor Danford and four

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of his brothers taught school, and the same calling has been followed by three of his daughters.

Doctor Danford's only son, Frank, graduated from high school, took the civil engineering course in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and for a time was employed by the United States Steel Corporation at Gary, Indiana, during the construction of the water supply for that steel city. He also spent some years in the West as a civil engineer, being in Utah for a time, and was also at Pensacola, Florida. During the World war he acted as purchasing agent for the Steel Furniture Manufacturing Company of Avanel, New Jersey. He then returned to his old home and engaged in business at Glouster.

J. M. Dunn. The City of Youngstown owes much to J. M. Dunn, one of its most progressive realtors, for through his efforts and broad vision several beautiful residential districts have been developed, and in them additional homes have been provided, at a reasonable price, for the ever growing population. Mr. Dunn is a man who thoroughly understands his business, and takes a pride in improving undeveloped land so as to enhance its value and add to the prestige of his home city.

J. M. Dunn is a New Englander, having been born at Columbia, New Hampshire, in 1865. He is a son of Thomas and Jemima (Temple) Dunn, natives of Ireland and England, respectively, who were married in New Hampshire. They were farming people, and J. M. Dunn was reared on their homestead, following farming until he was twenty-three. In the meanwhile he had attended the district schools and Colebrook Academy, and was graduated from the latter in 1884. Leaving the farm, Mr. Dunn went into railroad work, and for two years was a brakeman on the local railroad. Going West, he spent three years at Great Falls, Montana, as a clerk in a grocery store, and then for two years he worked in the copper mines of Butte, Montana. Still later he was engaged in the meat business at Helena, Montana, but after four years he sold and bought another meat business at Great Falls. There he remained for four years, but once more sold, and going to Spokane, Washington, entered the realty field, under the name of Dickson & Dunn, and in this line discovered his life work. For eight years he and his partner operated together and then the latter bought Mr. Dunn's interests, and he opened a new office, and worked alone for two years. Going then to Los Angeles, California, he participated in some of the earlier development of that famous region. In the meanwhile he opened up offices at several points in Utah, in connection with which he has sold large tracts of land. In 1916 he came to Ohio, and operated at Akron under the name of Dunn & Green. This firm platted and sold allotments there, and in the spring of 1917 secured possession of a tract of 200 acres of land within the city limits of Youngstown, known as Gibson Grove. In 1920 they began to plat this property, and Mr. Dunn has had full charge of the development work here since that date. His long and varied experience and love of his work make his results particularly pleasing.

In February, 1897, Mr. Dunn married Miss Lena Elliott, who was born at Perry's Sound, Canada. They have no children. Mr. Dunn is a Christian Scientist. In politics he is a democrat. Fraternally he belongs to Tyrian Lodge No. 96, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Spokane, Washington; Spokane Lodge No. 228, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Red Cross Lodge No. 28, Knights of Pythias, and to the Modern Woodmen of America, and has passed all of the chairs in the last named. In every locality in which Mr. Dunn has operated he has left his impress upon the life of the community, and a reputation for sound judgment and honorable business methods.

John Franklin Switzer, M. D. A long and proficient service as a physician and surgeon accounts for the high esteem in which Doctor Switzer is held in Perry County, particularly in the community of New Straitsville. Doctor Switzer is thoroughly well grounded in his profession, and at the same time has not neglected participation in the general affairs of good citizenship.

He was born on a farm in Licking County, Ohio, July 11, 1866, but spent most of his boyhood days in Hocking County. His parents were Isaac and Lydia (Foreman) Switzer. His father, who was born in Allegany County, Maryland, passed his boyhood days assisting his father in operating a water power saw mill on Sidling Hill Creek, and as a young man came to Ohio and engaged in farming, at first in Licking County and afterwards in Hocking County, his farm being two miles north of Webb Summit. He was also a local preacher of the Methodist Church, and on many occasions he filled the pulpits and assisted in Evangelistic work. Isaac Switzer, who died in March, 1901, at the age of seventy-eight, was twice married. His first wife was a Miss Hodge, and by this marriage there were four children: William G., who died at the age of twenty-nine; Cassius, who died in boyhood; Lizzie, who died at North Berne at the age of thirty-five, wife of Jacob Widener; and Sarah A., who lives near Bremen, Ohio, wife of Frank Everett. The second wife of Isaac Switzer was Lydia Foreman, at that time the widow of Abe Beery, by whom she was the mother of a son, Dr. G. W. Beery, now living at Lancaster, Ohio. The three children of Isaac and Lydia (Foreman) Switzer were: John Franklin; Henry D., a farmer at the old homestead, and Howard E., who died when a child. Their mother was born in Perry County, and died in 1907, at the age of seventy-two.

John Franklin Switzer while a boy on the farm in Hocking County attended common and select schools in Marion Township, and subsequently qualified as a teacher and taught a number of terms of school, chiefly to pave the way to a medical career. He taught three terms of rural school near Bremen in Fairfield County, also taught School No. 9 in Hocking County, the Webb Summit School, and his last work as teacher was as principal of the Union Furnace School.

Doctor Switzer is a graduate of the Eclectic Medical Institute at Cincinnati, Ohio, completing his work there in 1893. After graduating he practiced three years at Union Furnace, and then located at Maxville, in order to be near his parents in their old age. Two years later he established his permanent home at New Straitsville in Perry County, and a large community around that village has known him for a quarter of a century or more as a busy, hard working and conscientious physician and surgeon.

Doctor Switzer married Miss Lucy Webb, a daughter of Carts Webb, of Webb Summit. They have one son, Webb, born in 1903, now assistant cashier in the Martin Bank Company. Doctor Switzer is vice president of that bank. Doctor Switzer is a member of the United Brethren Church, belongs to the Logan Lodge of Masons, the Royal Arch Chapter, the Council and Knights Templar degrees, the Lodge of Elks at Logan, and is past chancellor commander of the Union Furnace Lodge of Knights of Pythias. Politically he does his duty as an independent republican. Doctor Switzer has always been very fond of outdoor life, and keeps his health and vigor through outdoor living and the pursuit of such sports as fishing. He also makes annual hunting trips to the Georgian Bay region of Ontario. At the time of

the World war he was on duty as a member of the Volunteer Medical Corps, and assisted in many responsibilities on the other local boards and committees.

HENRY SCHOEPFLE is one of the successful attorneys and counselors at law in his native city of Sandusky, where he has been engaged in the general practice of his profession somewhat more than thirty years. He has proved his resourcefulness as a trial lawyer, and has appeared in connection with many important cases tried in the courts of this section of the state, the while he is a popular member of a family whose name has been worthily linked with Erie County history for more than half a century.

Mr. Schoepfle was born in Sandusky on the 12th of February, 1867, and is a son of Christopher and Rosa (Waldemeier) Schoepfle, the former of whom was born at Grötzingen, in Baden, Germany, and the latter in Wurttemberg, they having been young when they came to the United States and their marriage having been solemnized at Sandusky, Ohio. In partnership with his brother, Carl, Christopher Schoepfle developed the well-known Schoepfle stone quarries in Erie County, and here he became also a pioneer in the manufacturing of wine from the fine grapes grown in this section of the Buckeye State. In 1874 he purchased a farm of 100 acres in Perkins Township, and there he devoted the remainder of his active career to agricultural and livestock industry, both he and his wife having died on this homestead.

Henry Schoepfle is indebted to the public schools of Erie County for his early education, which was supplemented by his attending (1886-89) what is now known as the Ohio Northwestern University at Ada. He gave two years of effective service as a teacher in the district schools of Perkins Township, and in the meanwhile initiated the study of law. In advancing his technical studies he entered the Cincinnati Law School, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1892 and with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, his admission to the Ohio bar having occurred on the 26th of May of that year. He has since been continuously engaged in the practice of law in Sandusky, and has long retained a substantial and representative clientage that attests to his professional ability and his hold upon the confidence and esteem of this community. He served as city solicitor in 1895-96, but has had no ambition for public office, as he considers his profession worthy of his undivided time and attention. He is an active member of the Erie County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. He is a stalwart advocate of the principles of the republican party, and is a progressive and valued member of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce.

In June, 1891, occurred the marriage of Mr. Schoepfle and Miss Mamie Rudolph, who likewise was born in the City of Sandusky and who is a daughter of George and Caroline (Goetz) Rudolph, her father likewise having been born in Sandusky. Mr. and Mrs. Schoepfle have two children: Orwell F. R., who is city chemist of Sandusky and superintendent of the modern filtration plant of the city waterworks system, married Miss Lucile Von Hausen, and they have one child, Ruth. Adaline E., younger of the two children, is the wife of George Gundlach, of Sandusky, and they have two children, Marian and Mildred.

GEORGE C. BEIS is one of the veteran and honored members of the bar of Sandusky, in which city he has been continuously engaged in the practice of his profession for somewhat more than forty years, his only digression from law practice having been in his service of three years as judge of the Probate Court of Erie County.

Judge Beis was born at Waterville, Lucas County, Ohio, September 12, 1861, and is a son of George J. and Rosa (Allion) Beis. George J. Beis was born and reared in Germany and was a young man when he came to the United States, in the early '50s and established his residence at Galion, Ohio, where he served a practical apprenticeship of three years in a brewery. He finally engaged independently in the brewery business at Waterville, continuing operations in this line until 1873, when he turned his attention to farm industry in Lucas County, where he and his wife passed the remainder of their lives.

In the public schools of Waterville Judge George C. Beis continued his studies until he had partially completed the curriculum of the high school, and at the age of seventeen years he successfully passed the examination that made him eligible for service as a teacher in the public schools. To such pedagogic service he gave two years, and during vacation periods of these years he gave his time and attention to the study of law, under the preceptorship of the well-known law firm of Scribner, Hurd & Scribner, of Toledo. In advancing his knowledge of the science of jurisprudence he finally entered the law department of the University of Michigan, and in this celebrated institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1883, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws and with attendant admission to the bar of Michigan. June of the same year recorded also his admission to the Ohio bar, and during the long intervening years he has continued in the general practice of his profession in the City of Sandusky, where he has long retained a large and important law business of representative order. Judge Beis served as city solicitor from 1885 to 1891, three successive terms, and in February, 1891, he resigned his office to assume that of judge of the Probate Court of Erie County, a position in which his administration covered a period of three years. The judge stands forth as a loyal and effective sponsor for the principles of the democratic party and has given yeoman service in behalf of its cause. He has served continuously since 1905 as chairman of the Democratic Central and Executive committees of Erie County, and in 1888 he was his party's candidate for the position of presidential elector, but was defeated by normal political exigencies that gave to the opposing party a victory in the campaign of that year. Judge Beis is past exalted ruler of Sandusky Lodge No. 285, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and continues to take lively interest in this splendid organization. His family are communicants of the Catholic Church.

On the 30th of January, 1890, was solemnized the marriage of Judge Beis and Miss Lucinda Zerbe, who was born and reared in Sandusky, a daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth (Basin) Zerbe. Andrew Zerbe was born in Germany, and became one of the leading dry goods merchants in the City of Sandusky, Ohio. George A., eldest of the children of Judge and Mrs. Beis, is associated with his father in the practice of law, as one of the representative younger members of the Erie County bar. He married Miss Olivia Hardy, and they have two children, George and Margaret Ann. Jean, elder of the two daughters, is teacher of Latin in the Sandusky High School, and the younger daughter, Mary Elizabeth, likewise remains at the parental home.

HERBERT FARRELL has been a resident of Sandusky, judicial center of Erie County, since the year 1910, and has here gained secure vantage ground as one of the progressive and influential business men of the city. He is president of the Farrell-Cheek

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Steel Foundry Company, one of the important industrial concerns of this section of the Buckeye State.

Mr. Farrell was born in the City of Nashville, Tennessee, in the year 1882, and is a son of Norman and Josephine (Elliston) Farrell, both likewise natives of that state. After having profited by the advantages of private schools in his native city Herbert Farrell was there a student in Vanderbilt University two years. Thereafter he was associated with the foundry business in Pennsylvania during a period of nine years, at the expiration of which, in 1910, he came to Sandusky, Ohio, where he has continued his active alliance with the same line of industrial enterprise, in which he has made substantial advancement. He was one of the organizers and incorporators of the Farrell-Cheek Steel Foundry Company, of which he is the president, Joel O. Cheek being the vice president, J. E. Swett, the secretary, and R. C. Farrell, the treasurer. This company has developed a prosperous business in the manufacturing of steel castings of varied types, and the enterprise has proved a valuable contribution to the industrial precedence of Sandusky.

Mr. Farrell is found loyally aligned in the ranks of the republican party, he and his wife are members of the Christian Church in their home city, and here he has membership in the Chamber of Commerce, the Sunyendeand Club and the Plum Brook Country Club.

The year 1909 recorded the marriage of Mr. Farrell and Miss Ritchie Cheek, who likewise was born and reared at Nashville, Tennessee, and who is a daughter of Joel O. and Minnie (Ritchie) Cheek. Mr. and Mrs. Farrell have four children: Herbert, Jr., Richie C., Helen Fairfax and Joel O.

Charles A. Pride is one of the prominent men in the professional, business and civic affairs of Athens County. He has practiced dentistry at Glouster for many years, and is also director of the Glouster State Bank.

Doctor Pride was born at Rockland, in Washington County, Ohio, in 1881, son of James Finley and Susan Pride and grandson of Jesse and Polly Pride. His grandparents were Pennsylvanians, and they followed farming in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and finally in Ohio. James F. Pride is now eighty-three years of age and lives at Rockland, Ohio. His wife, who was born in 1841, died in 1917. James F. Pride followed the business of truck growing, and was very successful in that line, selling his produce for many years in Parkersburg, West Virginia. He is thoroughly well informed not only on his particular line, but on the issues of the day. In the family were six sons and three daughters, and all but one son are now living: Dr. William A. and Dr. Charles A., both dentists at Glouster; Baruch, now deceased, who was a successful truck grower and also in the commission business; Jesse, a truck grower at Rockland; Thomas, a retired gardener; Frank, a farmer at Rockland; Letha, wife of Charles Nichols, of Rockland; Mary House, of San Francisco; and Anna Reid, of Kansas.

Charles A. Pride as a boy worked in his father's truck gardens, attended school near Rockland, and began the study of dentistry with his brother, William A. He borrowed the money to pay his expenses through college, and in 1902 graduated from Ohio Dental College at Cincinnati. Since then he has been one of the able men of his profession. He practiced in partnership with his brother William, and since then has been alone. He served as corporation and school treasurer at Glouster four years. He is a democrat, is a member of the State Dental Society, a past master of the Blue Lodge No. 607, of Glouster, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

February 2, 1918, he married Miss Hazel Lee Wilson, daughter of Boyd Wilson, of Greenfield, Ohio. They have one daughter, Virginia Boyd.

C. Edward Wolfe has achieved success and prestige in his chosen profession, and in his home city of Sandusky are many fine buildings that attest his technical and artistic ability as an architect. Here he has been engaged in the independent work of his profession since 1915.

Mr. Wolfe was born at Fremont, judicial center of Sandusky County, Ohio, on the 4th of July, 1875, and is a son of George and Isabel (Reed) Wolfe, the former of whom was born in Alsace-Lorraine, which was then a part of Germany, and the latter of whom was born at Fremont, Ohio, a daughter of Michael and Salome (Waggoner) Reed, her father having been a native of Pennsylvania and having become one of the substantial farmers of Sandusky County, Ohio. Michael and Catherine (Kereger) Wolfe, paternal grandparents of the subject of this sketch, remained in Alsace-Lorraine until 1852, when they came with their children to the United States and established a temporary residence in Marion County, Ohio, subsequently moving to Fremont, Ohio, where he died at the age of sixty-three years.

C. Edward Wolfe attended the public schools of his native county until he was sixteen years of age, but about two years previously he had initiated his association with his father's operations as a contractor and builder. He continued to follow the vocation of carpenter and builder about sixteen years, and this practical experience proved of inestimable value to him in connection with his preparing himself for the profession of architect. While working as a carpenter he gave much time to home study of standard text books on architecture, and he further fortified himself by study and work under the direction of a practical architect. He has been a resident of Sandusky since 1906, and here he has been independently engaged in business as an architect since 1915. He designed the plans for buildings of the Lake Shore Tire Company and for the Ford garage building in Sandusky. Other and more pretentious evidences of his ability as an architect and designer are the edifices of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, and the First Reformed Church, both in Sandusky, and he is the architect of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in the City of Wheeling, West Virginia. He also drew plans for a garage and service station at Black Creek, Wisconsin, and performed a like service at Little Rock, Arkansas. He has designed buildings in various cities and towns of his native State of Ohio. Mr. Wolfe's political convictions place him in the ranks of the democratic party, and he is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of a local lodge of the latter of which he is a past grand.

In June, 1903, Mr. Wolfe wedded Miss Lucy Webb Oberst, who was born at Fremont, Sandusky County, a daughter of Michael and Sarah (Lobdell) Oberst. Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe have three children: Dallas Edward and Doris Evelyn, twins, born October 7, 1906, and James Robert, born January 2, 1919.

Harry William Shaw, M. D. In the twenty-five years since he graduated from medical college Doctor Shaw has made and maintained a splendid reputation for his professional work. He has practiced for many years in Perry County, and is regarded as an authority on diagnosis and the practice of internal medicine.

Doctor Shaw was born at Gallipolis, Ohio, February 20, 1874, son of Capt. Hiram Brown and Sarah (Billings) Shaw. Captain Shaw, who came from Millville, New Jersey, was a captain of steamboats

on the Ohio and Tennessee rivers, and when the Civil war came on he was in command of steamboats in government service. At the battle of Pittsburgh Landing he was shot through the lung, and this wound was the direct cause of his death ten years later, in 1875, about eighteen months after the birth of his son Harry W. The mother of Doctor Shaw, Sarah Billings, was born at Charleston, Virginia, in December, 1837, and of ancestry tracing back to the Pilgrim fathers in Massachusetts. Her father, Lewis Billings, came from Boston. Mrs. Sarah Billings Shaw died in February, 1923, at the age of eighty-five. She was educated in the Gallia Academy in Ohio, and was one of the remarkable women of her day, her intellectual faculties remaining unimpaired to the end. She was an inveterate reader, and to the day of her death kept up her reading on a wide range of politics and affairs. She was the mother of five children, only two of whom reached mature years. The son Lewis Billings until recently was postmaster at Gallipolis, being appointed by President Wilson, although a republican in politics. He stood at the head of the list under examinations in the civil service. He was for some years identified with the furniture manufacturing plant at Gallipolis.

Dr. Harry William Shaw first attended the grade schools at Gallipolis, then Gallia Academy, and spent two years in Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. From there he entered Starling Medical College, now the medical department of Ohio State University, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine March 24, 1898. Doctor Shaw for eight years practiced in his home town of Gallipolis, and then removed to Perry County. His home and office were at Junction City, and he still maintains an office there, but in 1920 moved to New Lexington. The two towns are only four miles apart. Doctor Shaw was a volunteer at the time of the World war, was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps, and was in training at Camp Benjamin Harrison and later spent eight months at Camp Lee, Virginia, where he was promoted to the rank of captain.

Doctor Shaw married Miss Louise Jones, daughter of J. W. Jones, of Gallipolis. They are members of Saint Peter's Episcopal Church in Gallipolis. Doctor Shaw was president of the Perry County Medical Society in 1922, and is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations, is a Knight Templar Mason and a member of the Kiwanis Club.

George Frederick Eshenroder is to be consistently designated as one of the able and successful members of the bar of his native county, and is engaged in the practice of his profession in the City of Sandusky.

Mr. Eshenroder was born on a farm near Kimball, Erie County, Ohio, in November, 1862, and is a son of William and Anna Amelia (Barlett) Eshenroder, the former of whom was born in Nassau, Germany, and the latter in Oswego County, New York. William Eshenroder was reared and educated in his native land, and was a young man when he severed the home ties and came to the United States. He established his residence in Erie County, Ohio, and was here engaged in farm enterprise until the time of his death, in 1869. His parents came to this country at a somewhat later period and joined him in Erie County, where they passed the remainder of their lives. Here his marriage was solemnized, his wife having been a girl when she accompanied her parents, John and Amelia Barlett from their old home and native county of Oswego, New York, to Erie County, Ohio, the journey having been made by canal and lake boats. After the death of her husband Mrs. William Eshenroder remained for a time on the home farm, and then removed to the Village of Milan, Erie County, in order to give to her children the advantages of its normal school. She passed the closing years of her long and earnest life in the City of Norwalk, Huron County, where she died June 29, 1918, at the venerable age of eighty years.

George F. Eshenroder was six years of age at the time of his father's death, and his widowed mother gave him the best educational advantages within her means to provide. Thus he profited by the curriculum of the normal schools at Milan, where also he attended the Ohio State Normal School, and his initial reading of law was carried forward in a private way at home. He finally entered the law department of Ohio Northern University, at Ada, where he made substantial progress in his absorption of the science of jurisprudence and so fortified himself that he was admitted to the Ohio bar in the spring of 1893. He engaged in the practice of his profession at Milan, where he remained until 1910, when he removed to Sandusky, the county seat, where he now controls a substantial and important law business. While residing at Milan he served two terms as township clerk, but he has had no special ambition for public office. In national and state affairs of political order he supports the republican party, but in local matters of public order he maintains an independent political attitude. Mr. Eshenroder is affiliated with Erie Lodge No. 339, Free and Acepted Masons, at Milan, and in the lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in that village he passed the various official chairs, besides having been for two terms its representative to the Ohio Grand Lodge of the order. Mr. Eshenroder has continuously permitted his name to remain enrolled on the roster of eligible bachelors in his native county.

Leverett Lindon Curtis has become one of the leaders in industrial and commercial affairs in the City of Sandusky, judicial center of Erie County, where his home has been maintained since his early youth and where he is now president of the American Crayon Company, the largest manufacturing concern of its kind in the world.

Mr. Curtis was born at Perry, Lake County, Ohio, June 16, 1852, and is a son of William D. and Caroline E. (Cowdery) Curtis, both of whom were born in the State of New York and both were young at the time of the migration of the respective families to Ohio, where was gained by each family a goodly measure of pioneer honors. In this state Ezra Curtis and his wife, whose family name was Sprague, passed the remainder of their lives, they having been the grandparents of him whose name introduces this review, and here also the maternal grandparents, early settlers of Kirtland, Lake County, remained until their death.

William D. Curtis was reared and educated in Ohio and as a youth learned the cooper's trade. After his marriage he made settlement at Perry Lake County, where he engaged in the work of his trade and where he became one of the very first to manufacture barrels or casks for the use of the Standard Oil Company. He was in active service as a soldier of the Union during the major part of the Civil war, his enlistment having occurred in 1862 and his principal service having been in the Hospital Corps, as a member of which he was stationed in turn at Louisville and Nicholasville, Kentucky. In later years he perpetuated his association with his old comrades through the medium of his active affiliation with the Grand Army of the Republic, and he and his wife were honored citizens of Sandusky at the time of their death. Within a short time after the close of the Civil war, Mr. Curtis came to Sandusky, where he became associated with his brothers-in-law, Emmet and John S. Cowdery, in establishing a new industrial enterprise, under the title of the Western School Sup-

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ply Company. From a most modest inception has been developed what is now the largest and most important concern of its kind in the world, and the business was incorporated under its present title, the American Crayon Company, in 1890. With the development and upbuilding of this splendid Sandusky enterprise, one of the most important in advancing the commercial prestige of the city, William D. Curtis played a large part, and with the concern he continued his active executive alliance until the time of his death. He was a man of exceptional business ability, of sterling integrity, and of utmost civic loyalty, so that he commanded the unqualified confidence and esteem of the people of the community which long represented his home and to the advancement of which he contributed much.

The American Crayon Company manufactures and markets all kinds of chalk products, including oil crayons and water colors for art purposes, and the scope of the business has been extended to include the manufacturing of all kinds of wooden boxes, from the smallest to the largest sizes. Since 1914 the company has had the exclusive manufacturing of all boxes used by the Ford Motor Company, the greatest automobile concern in the world. In the two departments of its extensive and far-extending business the company maintains two large and modern manufacturing plants in Sandusky and gives employment to a corps of about 400 operatives, the greater number of whom are skilled artisans. Leverett L. Curtis, now the only representative of the original Curtis family to be identified with this great corporation, has been its president since 1907, and George E. Parmenter, the vice president, has long been connected with the business. Carey W. Hoard, the second vice president of the company, is likewise its sales manager, and Andrew M. Spore is secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Curtis has shown high ideals of civic responsibility and stewardship, and is known and valued as one of the most liberal and progressive citizens and business men of Sandusky. He has had no desire for political preferment, but is a staunch supporter of the principles of the republican party and has given four years of service as a member of the Sandusky Board of Education. He is an active and influential member of the local Chamber of Commerce, and has membership in the Sandusky Yacht Club and the Sunyendeand Club, of which latter he was the president in 1923. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is a Noble of Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

In September, 1889, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Curtis and Miss Anzonetta W. Broadbent, who was born in the City of Chicago, Illinois, a daughter of James Broadbent. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis have two children: Earl L., who is purchasing agent for the American Crayon Company, married Miss Vera Zistel, and they have two daughters, Marion and Jean. Lynn B., the younger son, who is superintendent and general manager of manufacturing for the American Crayon Company, married Mrs. Ruth Palmer.

GEORGE CARLIN, now assistant superintendent of the Carbondale Coal Company at Carbondale in Athens County, went to work in this mining community when a boy and he has performed nearly every responsibility in the industrial affairs of the village.

Mr. Carlin was born in Mason County, West Virginia, August 24, 1872. His father, John Carlin, was born in Durham, England, September 16, 1846, and was nine years of age when his people came to the United States. His father, Samuel Carlin, was a coal miner, and settled in Mason County, West Virginia. John Carlin ran away from home to join the army during the Civil war, but being under age was brought home. Again he made his escape, and this time he served two years with the Thirteenth West Virginia Infantry in the Union army. He took part in the Shenandoah Valley campaign, being at the battle of Winchester, and was also in the campaign along the New River in West Virginia. In 1887 he brought his family to Ohio and settled in Athens County. He was a Methodist, and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife was Rebecca Wolfe, who was born June 20, 1847, and died in 1919. She was greatly beloved throughout this section of Athens County. Her ministrations in behalf of the sick were especially remembered. There was never a night too dark for her to go when called upon to look after those in trouble. John Carlin and wife had a family of three children: George; Dora, wife of William Cox, a mine superintendent at Nelsonville, Ohio; and Lizzie, who married John Hill, and both are now deceased.

George Carlin acquired his education in the public schools of Camden and Mason City, West Virginia, and was about fourteen years old when the family came to Carbondale, Ohio. He went to work in the mines, digging coal, and both underground and outside has been performing a share of the labor in this mining center for over thirty-five years. He became boss mule driver, and for five years kept the books of the office. Since then he has been assistant superintendent under General Superintendent M. H. Doolittle. Through his work for the mining company has run a thread of constant public spirit, and for three years he was a member of the local school board and repeatedly has been a member of the Waterloo Township Committee of the republican party.

Mr. Carlin married Miss Bessie France, daughter of Dr. George and Lucy (Taylor) France. Her father for many years was mine physician at Carbondale. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Carlin are: Cecil, Alice and Vergene. Cecil is a graduate of the Bliss Business College.

RICHARD F. JAUCHIUS, whose working experience has kept him in contact with the coal mining industry since early boyhood, has risen from the ranks to unusual responsibilities, being superintendent of the Tropic Mining Company at Rosefarm, Perry County. The Tropic Mining Company has been one of the largest operators in this district for twenty years.

Mr. Jauchius was born near Ashland, in Boyd County, Kentucky, August 13, 1885, son of Richard Thomas and Caroline (Geyer) Jauchius. His parents are still living, his father at sixty-six and his mother at sixty-five. Richard Thomas Jauchius was born in Saxony, Germany, belonged to a family of good social and financial connections, and he had the classical and technical education of a son of well to do German parents. For a time he was in the military service, and in order to escape further military duty and other conditions that did not appeal to him in the fatherland he came to the United States at the age of twenty-four. He was a well qualified civil engineer, and, locating in Boyd County, Kentucky, he rendered important service as an engineer of the mines of the Big Run Coal Company. He also did other work, including duties of a practical miner and coal weigher. He also owned a small farm. Since 1913 his home has been at Deavertown, Ohio. He married in Boyd County, Kentucky, where his wife was born. He is a republican and a member of the Lutheran Church. Their family consisted of the following children: C. H., superintendent at the Big Run Coal Mine at Princess, Boyd County, Kentucky; Richard F.; Herman L., assistant under his brother Richard at Rosefarm, and superintendent of the local Sunday school and teacher of the Bible Class; William,

who was in training at Camp Sherman during the World war, and is now an employe of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company at Newark, Ohio; Albert, also a Baltimore & Ohio employe at Newark; George, a farmer near Deavertown; Augusta, wife of Charles Nolta, who is electrician for the American Roller Mills at Ashland, Kentucky; and Margaret, wife of Clarence Kirkwood, of Deavertown.

Richard F. Jauchius acquired his common school education at Big Run, Kentucky, and in the years of his practical work as a miner has done much additional study to perfect himself not only in his chosen vocation but in qualifications for good citizenship. Between the age of ten and twelve he went to work under his father in the mines, helping load coal, and subsequently became a pick miner. From Kentucky he went to the Red Jacket mines in West Virginia, where he operated a coal cutting machine for eight months. He was first employed at Rosefarm, Ohio, by the Tropic Mining Company as operator of a coal cutting machine. Since then he has had successive promotions, first to assistant mining foreman, then mine foreman and since the spring of 1920 has been general superintendent of the operations in that location of Perry County. He is a very capable executive, and is also deeply interested in the welfare of his community, and has sought to improve the schools.

In 1907 he married Miss Stella Fay, daughter of C. E. and Emma Wharff. They have four children: Violet, in the eighth grade of the public school; Emma, in the seventh grade; Arthur, in the fourth grade; and Richard F., Jr. Mr. Jauchius is a deacon in the Church of Christ, is a republican, and is affiliated with the Lodge of Masons at Deavertown.

ROLAND BEVAN SMITH is a native of Southern Ohio, and as a young man attending college and teaching he took up life insurance as an occupation for the summer vacation. He found this a congenial field, and he has been identified with the insurance business ever since. He now has a well established real estate, loan and fire insurance agency at Glouster in Athens County.

Mr. Smith was born on a farm near Proctorville, in Lawrence County, Ohio, August 10, 1869, son of Stephen P. and Clara M. (Bevan) Smith. His father, who was born in Belmont County, in 1837, became a soldier of the Union, and was in some of the hardest battles of the war. He was a member of a heavy artillery regiment, and participated at Gettysburg and in some of the great battles around Richmond and Petersburg. His death some years later was the direct result of a wound received while in the army. While he was a brave and efficient soldier, he felt that he had done only his duty in fighting to preserve the Union and would never accept a pension, and never even joined the Grand Army of the Republic, having a prejudice against secret orders. However, he kept his home open to his old comrades in arms. He was a man of the highest standing both in his community and in public affairs. After his return from the army he married and engaged in farming. He was a class leader in the United Brethren Church and teacher and superintendent of the Sunday School, was a republican, and a liberal contributor to all worthy movements in his home community. His widow survives him at the age of seventy-seven and lives at the old homestead in Lawrence County. She was born in Guernsey County. Her companion on the old farm is her youngest child, Stephen P. Smith, Jr. The three older children are: Charles N., a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Zenia, Ohio; Roland B.; and Ella, who married Robert Burton, and they live on a farm near the old Smith homestead in Lawrence County.

Roland Bevan Smith, while growing up on the farm attended the common schools in Lawrence County, and was little more than a boy when he was given a certificate to teach. While teaching he paid for his advanced education in the National Normal University at Lebanon, where he graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1891. His last work as a teacher was done as principal of a school in Ashland, Kentucky. He left that to sell life insurance, and in 1904 he came into the Hocking Valley as representative of the Western and Southern Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati. In 1909 he established his permanent home at Glouster, to engaged in the real estate and insurance business. In this community he has taken an active part in civic affairs, and served four years on the school board. He is a republican, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church and superintendent of its Sunday School, and fraternally is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

In 1897 Mr. Smith married Miss Linnie Brammer, daughter of Edwyn Brammer. Her father was a farmer, fruit grower and stock man in Lawrence County. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Smith: Helen Elizabeth, a graduate of the Glouster High School and the Bliss Business College of Columbus; Paul Lemar, who after graduating from high school entered Ohio University at Athens, where he continues his studies; and Dorothy May, attending the public schools of Glouster.

FERNAND J. LEBLICQ, M. D., who is a skilled and popular exemplar of the benignant homeopathic school of medicine, is engaged in general practice in the City of Sandusky, whence he went forth into service as a member of the Medical Corps of the United States Army soon after the United States became involved in the World war. There were many reason prompting this action on the part of this successful young physician and surgeon, and not the least of these was his loyalty to the land of his birth, upon which had fallen the heaviest of burdens, disaster and sorrow in connection with the great World conflict.

Doctor Leblicq was born in the historic old city of Brussels, Belgium, November 23, 1892, and is a son of John B. and Elvira (Pire) Leblicq, who came to the United States a number of years prior to the time when the World war brought devastation to their old home land. In 1906 John B. Leblicq came with his family to this country and established his residence in Sandusky, Ohio, where he and his wife still maintain their home, he being a carpenter by trade and vocation.

The rudimentary education of Doctor Leblicq was gained in his native city, and he was about fourteen years old at the time when he accompanied his parents to the new home in Sandusky. Here he continued his studies in the public schools, including the high school, and in the meanwhile he formulated plans for his future career. His ambition was to prepare himself for the medical profession, and in harmony with this earnest desire he finally entered the Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College, in which institution he completed the prescribed course and was graduated as a member of the class of 1913. After he had thus received his degree of Doctor of Medicine he gained valuable clinical experience by serving one year as an interne in the Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital in the City of Boston, and he then returned to Sandusky, where he has since been engaged in successful general practice, save for the period of his service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army in the World war period. In this corps he received on the 26th of September, 1917, his commission as first lieutenant, and during the greater period of his term

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of service he was stationed at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia. There he received his honorable discharge December 29, 1918, and he forthwith resumed his professional service in the City of Sandusky. The doctor has membership in the American Medical Association, the American Institute of Homeopathy, the Ohio State Medical Society, the Ohio State Homeopathic Medical Society, the National Society of Urinologists, and the Erie County Medical Society. In January, 1922, Doctor Leblicq initiated his service as county coroner of Erie County, and of this office he has since continued the efficient incumbent. He is past commander of the local post of the American Legion, and is now (1924) serving as its official surgeon. He is a republican in political allegiance, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of the Maccabees.

June 2, 1917, recorded the marriage of Doctor Leblicq to Miss Edna M. Myer, who was born and reared in Sandusky and who is a daughter of William E. and Rose (Klenk) Myer. The one child of this union is a daughter, Virginia Mary, who was born March 24, 1919.

Clarence Edward Moyer, one of the successful and popular younger members of the bar of Erie County, is engaged in the practice of his profession at the county seat, the City of Sandusky. He was born and reared in this county and represented the same in overseas service in the World war.

Mr. Moyer was born on a farm in Erie County, and the date of his nativity was February 2, 1895. He is a son of George C. and Alice (Watkins) Moyer, the former of whom was born in Pennsylvania and the latter is a native of England, their home being now at Bloomingville, Erie County, where the father is living virtually retired. The public schools of his home county afforded Clarence E. Moyer his early education, and after his graduation from the high school at Castalia he entered Ohio Northern University, at Ada, in the law department of which he was graduated in June, 1920, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He forthwith gained admission to the Ohio bar, and after having been engaged in practice in the City of Akron one year he returned to his native county, where he has since maintained his residence and professional headquarters in Sandusky and where he is making a record of successful achievement in his chosen vocation. He is aligned loyally in the ranks of the republican party, has membership in the Congregational Church, and is affiliated with Perry Post No. 83, American Legion.

In July, 1917, about four months after the United States had entered the World war, Mr. Moyer enlisted in the Twenty-ninth Ambulance Corps, Fifth Division, United States Army, and in April of the following year he sailed with his command for overseas service. In France he was at the front in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne sectors, and he had his full quota of arduous and perilous service before the armistice brought the war to a close. In the line of battle he was severely gassed, and this necessitated his being confined to a hospital five days. After the signing of the armistice he availed himself of the privilege of attending Queen's University in the City of Dublin, Ireland, where he was a student five months. He finally returned to the home land and received his honorable discharge in the autumn of 1919. He then resumed his law studies and in due time, as already noted in this context, he was admitted to the bar and engaged in the active practice of the profession for which he had thoroughly prepared himself.

Walter J. Smith has secure place in popular confidence and esteem in his native city and county, and this is shown significantly in his incumbency of the office of treasurer of Erie County, he having been elected to this responsible position in November, 1922, and having assumed active administration of the fiscal affairs of the county on the 4th of September, 1923.

Mr. Smith was born in the City of Sandusky, Ohio, on the 18th of July, 1878, and is a son of the late Jacob and Margaret (Rivers) Smith, the former a native of Switzerland and the latter of Germany. The parents were young folk at the time of the immigration of the respective families to the United States, the parents of Jacob Smith having established their residence near Attica, Seneca County, Ohio, and the parents of his future wife having located near Fremont, Sandusky County. Jacob Smith followed the trade of cooper during the major part of his active career, and soon after their marriage he and his wife established their home in Sandusky, where they passed the remainder of their lives. Of their family of ten children the present treasurer of Erie County is the youngest.

The public schools of Sandusky afforded Walter J. Smith his early education, which included the discipline of the high school, and he was fifteen years of age when he found employment in connection with the hotel business in his native city, where his ability and effective service led to his eventual advancement to the position of manager of the West House. After retaining this position twelve years he engaged in the retail cigar and tobacco business, of which he continued one of the prominent and popular exponents in his native city until his election to his present office, that of county treasurer. He has ever been a loyal advocate and supporter of the cause of the republican party. He is an active member of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Knights of the Maccabees, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, in the local aerie of which last mentioned organization he served seven years as a trustee.

July 26, 1899, recorded the marriage of Mr. Smith and Miss Martha C. Gagen, who likewise was born and reared in Sandusky and who is a daughter of Patrick and Mary (Henry) Gagen, natives of Ireland. At the parental home still remain (1924) the four children of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, and all are daughters, namely: Grace M., Ruth M., Geraldine M. and Elizabeth M.

T. D. Price, of New Lexington, judge of the Court of Common Pleas since 1914, has made a distinguished record as a lawyer and jurist. His father was a coal miner, and as a boy Judge Price worked in the mines. His persistent ambition has carried him over many obstacles to a place of high responsibility and honor. He was born at Pomeroy, Meigs County, Ohio, June 30, 1872, son of Thomas and Mary Curtis Price. His grandfather, Thomas Price, represented the fourth generation of this family to live on the same piece of land in Wales.

In 1850 he came to the United States, bringing his family, and lived for a time at Pittsburgh before locating at Pomeroy in Meigs County, Ohio.

Thomas Price, Jr., father of Judge Price, was eleven years of age when brought to the United States, and as a youth entered the coal mines. In 1873 he removed from Pomeroy to Perry County. He afterward lived in Athens County for six years, and, returning to Perry County, located at New Straitsville, where he died January 19, 1916, at the age of seventy-seven.

His wife, Mary Curtis Price, died November 26, 1889, at the age of thirty-nine.

Thomas Price was a Union soldier, serving throughout the Civil war with the Thirteenth West Virginia

Infantry, and was a participant in twenty-seven battles and engagements, many of them in the Valley of the Shenandoah. He fought at Fisher's Hill, and was with Sheridan in the battle of Winchester, where he was wounded. He was a member of the Union Veteran's Union. Self educated, he was a man of solid intelligence and integrity, and served as township trustee for many years, as a republican, at New Straitsville.

Thomas Price and wife had a family of eight children. One son, George, died in infancy. A son, Albert, after graduating from high school entered the oil fields as a driller, and while very successful, died on the 29th day of May, 1916, at the early age of twenty-eight.

Charlotte Price Baker and Janet Price Wise after graduating from high school taught school for a number of years, married well and are now living on adjoining farms in Licking County, Ohio.

Elizabeth Price after completing a college course obtained a life certificate, and has since been an instructor in the public schools of the City of Akron, Ohio.

Ann Price married Edward Gibson. Her husband has been dead some ten years. They had three sons. The oldest, Edward Gibson, left college and volunteered in the United States army to serve on the Mexican border. He went from there to Germany as first sergeant in the Rainbow Division, served during the war, and was discharged with the rank of second lieutenant for efficient service rendered. The other two boys are in medical college.

Dr. Joseph Price, a physician and surgeon, is now and has been chief of staff at Mercy Hospital of Columbus for the past fifteen years. At the time the United States entered the World war he gave up his business, offered his services to the United States Government, and on investigation of his qualifications by the surgeon general's office at Washington was inducted into the service, with the rank of major and assigned to a base hospital which consisted of 5,000 beds, and served the government until the close of the war.

Judge Price graduated from New Straitsville High School when sixteen years of age. Before and after leaving school he worked in the mines with his father, and rose to the responsibility of superintendent of mines for the Columbus-Hocking Coal & Iron Company. He also taught school and earned money for his higher education. In 1896 he entered the law department of Ohio State University, was graduated in 1899, and at once began practice at Crooksville, Perry County. In December, 1900, he removed to New Lexington. He was admitted to the bar June 7, 1899, and to the bar of the United States District Court August 12, 1899, and is a member of the Ohio and American Bar associations. He served as a delegate from Perry County to the Constitutional Convention of 1912, rendering important service as a member of the legislative and executive committees, and the committee on amendments to the constitution.

1912, he was elected Common Pleas judge of the First Sub-Division of the Seventh District, and entered upon his first term on the bench July 6, 1914. He was reelected in November, 1918, receiving sixty-seven per cent of the total votes cast for his office, carrying his home county, normally republican, by 1,800 votes.

Judge Price has always been a democrat. He was a candidate on the non-partisan judicial ballot in November, 1922, for judge of the Supreme Court. As a judge he has been noted for his uprightness and integrity, and has handled with dispatch a remarkable volume of business, including upwards of 2,000 cases in Perry County, but one case being reversed, and cases in eighteen other Ohio counties, including Cuyahoga at Cleveland. In all these cases there have been few appeals and very few decisions reversed or changed on appeal.

Of his character as a lawyer and man, Hon. John A. Shouck, when judge of the Ohio Supreme Court, a republican in politics, said: "Among those who know him well, Hon. T. D. Price is highly esteemed for his fine sense of honor, his devotion to duty, and his unfailing moral courage. He may have been more than unusually endowed by nature in these respects, but they are traits which would naturally be developed by his well sustained and successful struggle to advance from the conditions of his youth to his recognized position as an able lawyer devoted to technical standards of fidelity to clients, courts and friends."

In September, 1902, Judge Price married Minnie Beekman, daughter of Dr. J. J. Beekman, of Columbus. They have two children, Thomas D. and Nelle. Thomas D., who was a member of the Ohio National Guard, was a fine marksman, and has a pronounced mechanical turn of mind. He studied civil engineering at the Ohio State University, and is now a member of the Civil Engineer Corps of the Utah Copper Mines, Bingham Canyon, Utah.

Judge Price is affiliated with the Masonic Order, the Red Men, Knights of Pythias, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Phi Delta Phi college fraternity. He was a member of the advisory board for selective service during the World war, and head of the local coal commission and active in the Red Cross and other campaigns, and was honorably discharged from service by the War Department March 31, 1919.

Charles H. Fitzer. Constant study and earnest desire to measure up to all the opportunities presented him have been the chief characteristic in the interesting career of Charles H. Fitzer, present superintendent of the Luhrig Coal Mine in Athens County. Mr. Fitzer is a practical miner, having started mining when a boy, but has also had experience in a wide range of mechanical operations, including electricity and railroading. The Luhrig Coal Mine is the property of the Luhrig Collieries Company, but is operated by the New York Coal Company. Mr. Fitzer has been superintendent here for five years.

He was born on his father's farm at Bailey Run, near Buchtel, Athens County, April 16, 1877, son of Charles and Phoebe (Bescoe) Fitzer. His mother died in 1916, at the age of sixty-two. Charles Fitzer, Sr., who lives with a daughter at Buchtel, was born in Lawrence County, Ohio, and when a young man moved to Athens County. He opened a little mine on his farm, a wagon mine, selling his product to the home locality. He was one of the early men engaged in coal production in Athens County. Throughout his life he has been strongly attached to his family and home. He served many years on the school board, and was formerly a member of the Utah Ridge Baptist Church. He became the father of eleven children. Of the four sons, Charles H. was the oldest. George is in the mines at Milfield in Athens County. William, who was trained as a soldier for the World war at Camp Sherman, went overseas and while on the battle lines in France was wounded and subsequently died of a cerebral hemorrhage. The son Joseph was a miner and died at Bailey Run.

Charles H. Fitzer was educated in the Bailey Run country school, but being the oldest son left school when twelve years of age to become his father's helper. He dug coal with a pick, and for several years contributed to the support of the family. Later he went to work in the Hayden Rolling Mills in Columbus, and was rapidly advanced so that he was working on the rolls, one of the highest paid positions in the steel industry. Following that he spent a year in Chicago as an employe of the Commonwealth-Edison

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Electric Company, and there learned a great deal about electricity. His next job was that of locomotive fireman with the Chicago & Western Indiana Railway, with which he spent fourteen months. All these experiences were in the nature of an all around technical education, preparing him for better training. Returning to Ohio, Mr. Fitzer became a machine worker in the Circle Hill Mine, and was then in the New York Coal Company's Mine No. 36, near Buchtel, as mine boss. He was next superintendent of the Cawthorn Mine on Monday Creek, and left there in 1918 to become superintendent of the Luhrig Coal Mine. During the mining strike Mr. Fitzer spent nine weeks at the Firestone Rubber Plant in Akron, and, as in all other places, he made his work a study and when he left he had charge of a department. He has carried on his education through books as well as by practice, and has taken a complete course in dynamo engines with the International Correspondence School, and is now finishing a course in mining. Mr. Fitzer is a liberal republican, and is a member of the Masonic Order and the Grotto.

In 1905 he married Miss Marie Rutledge, daughter of Thomas Rutledge, of Athens County. They have two children, Miss Enid, attending the Nelsonville High School, and Thomas, in the home school.

Ozro D. Eddy. When death came to him in September, 1920, in his seventy-second year, Ozro D. Eddy, of Glouster, Athens County, had completed a record of performance of duties to himself, his family and neighbors that marks a complete fullness of life and work.

He was born at Vincent, in Washington County, Ohio, November 14, 1848, and passed away September 18, 1920. His father, Thomas P. Eddy, moved the family from Washington County to Athens County and later to Morgan County. Ozro D. Eddy was survived by a brother, O. E. Eddy, of Columbus, and two sisters, Angelina Smith and Cordelia Calentine.

The late Mr. Eddy grew up on a farm in Morgan County. He attended the common schools, and was only a boy in years when it became necessary for him to make his own way in the world. The first money he ever earned, a silver dollar, was made carrying split shingles from the ground to the roof of a building. He learned the carpenter's trade, also became expert in cabinet work, and, as was the custom of that day, he frequently made coffins and acted as undertaker. He also had a farm. When he left his farm he moved to Burr Oak and became an employe of the Trimble Mill Company. Subsequently he became one of the partners in this corporation, having charge of the lumber camp and the saw mills. His partners had purchased two sections of virgin timber land on credit, and he helped work this out. At Burr Oak he was postmaster and station agent for twenty years. The Trimble Mill Company established stores at Trimble and Glouster, under the name of the Sunday Creek Hardware Company. This company carried on an extensive trade in hardware, furniture, vehicles and also had an undertaking department. On his removal to Glouster Mr. Eddy took charge of the Glouster store in September, 1903. Subsequently the Sunday Creek Hardware Company was dissolved. At that time Mr. Eddy took over the hardware department of the business, while another partner, Mr. Andrews, acquired the vehicle, harness and undertaking branch. The Trimble establishment was retained by Mr. S. S. Danford, while the remaining partner, F. M. Koons, took his share in cash. Following this Mr. Eddy continued in the hardware business at Glouster, and at the time of his death was also president of the Glouster State Bank.

He was a citizen of honor and integrity, recognized as a leader in civic and business affairs, was a just administrator and supported liberally everything worthy of support. In all his relations he was prompt in duty, earnest in action and pure in motive. He served as a member of the City Council and Board of Public Affairs, was a member of the Church of Christ from 1906 until his death, and as a young man was made a Mason at Bishopville, and was also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of the Golden Eagle. He was a republican in politics. On September 5, 1889, Mr. Eddy married Miss Mary Agnes Shell, of Glouster. The three sons of their marriage, Emmett J., Everett Dwight and Errett R., continue the name and are young men of great energy and capacity, capable of carrying on their father's business interests and continuing his record of worthy performance. Emmett was born on March 13, 1891; Everett D., on April 11, 1894; and Errett on September 16, 1900. Emmett began his education in the schools at Burr Oak, while the two younger sons attended school at Glouster, and all finished a high school course. Emmett took a course in the Bliss Business College at Columbus, and Errett is now attending business college at Columbus. Emmett is a Master Mason, while Everett is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and Errett is affiliated with the Masons, Knights of Pythias and Moose. Emmett Eddy, in addition to his active work with his father's business, is a director of the Glouster State Bank and is president of the Glouster Country Club.

Emmett J. Eddy married Miss Gaskella, daughter of Joseph Gaskella, of Glouster. They have one son, Robert B. Everett D. Eddy married Lucy B. Bailey, a daughter of D. S. Bailey, of Glouster. She passed away in August, 1921, leaving one son, Dwight H.

Kedgwin H. Powell, chief of police of Youngstown, has been well known in that city for many years. He was in the railway service for a long time, in different capacities, and is also well qualified for the profession of law.

Mr. Powell was born in Youngstown, February 19, 1892, son of David J. and Emma S. (Head) Powell. His father was born in Wales, and his mother in Wethersfield, Ohio. David J. Powell was a steel worker, and died in 1919. His widow resides in Youngstown.

Kedgwin H. Powell acquired his education in intervals of employment, earning his own living. He attended public schools, night high schools, and studied in night classes in law in the Young Men's Christian Association. When about fifteen years of age he became a yard clerk with the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railway, later a brakeman, conductor and yardmaster, and continued in the railway service until 1919. In that year he became an employe of the Trumbull Steel Mills at Warren, but a year and one-half later resigned to finish his law education in the offices of Judge Lyon. In January, 1923, he went with Clyde Osborne, and January 1, 1924, took the office of chief of police.

Chief Powell married, in December, 1912, Miss Irene Quartier, a native of Youngstown, and daughter of William and Sadie (Barlow) Quartier. Her father was born in France and her mother in England. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Powell are Roberta M., Harry Q. and David W. The family attend the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Powell is a republican, and is affiliated with Lodge No. 295 of the Elks at Warren; with Argus Lodge No. 545, Free and Accepted Masons; and with Robert E. Johnson Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

John W. Row is a native of Ottawa, and has been actively identified with the business life of that

northwest Ohio town for nearly forty years. He is best known as manager of the Northwest Ohio Light Company at Ottawa.

He was born in Ottawa October 28, 1864, son of Nelson and Eliza (Dean) Row. Nelson Row was born in Southern Ohio, a son of Michael and grandson of John Row, who was born in Northumbereland County, Pennsylvania, in 1794. Nelson Row was brought to Ottawa, Ohio, in 1832, and spent the rest of his life there. His wife was a native of Seneca County, Ohio. He was in the elevator business for many years at Ottawa, was a republican, and a member of the United Brethren Church. There are three living children: Charles, now living retired at Toledo, formerly connected with the Brown, Eager, Hull & Company; John W.; and Emma, wife of Ed D. Pope.

John W. Row was educated in the public schools of Ottawa, attended high school and then entered upon his business career. In 1906 he became manager of the Ottawa Light Company, and has been largely responsible for the efficiency of that public utility.

Mr. Row married Clara Budenbaugh. They have one daughter, Lucille, born in 1902, a graduate of the high school and the Bowling Green State Normal College. The family are members of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Row fraternally is a member of the Ottawa Lodge of Masons, the Royal Arch Chapter and Council and in politics is a republican.

William H. Brown is a veteran coal miner, and though only forty-five years of age he has filled almost every possible position in the coal mining industry. His home and business headquarters are at Glouster in Athens County, and he is superintendent of a number of mines in Hocking Valley for the Ohio Collieries Company.

Mr. Brown was born at Mount Vernon, Ohio, July 14, 1879, son of Bernard and Charlotte (Rigger) Brown. His father spent his active career as a steel mill worker, most of his time at Youngstown, Ohio, and Cambria, Pennsylvania. He reached the responsibility of assistant general superintendent. He now lives retired in Somerset, Pennsylvania. One other son is B. F. Brown, a railroad engineer of the Baltimore and Ohio, living at Confluence, Pennsylvania.

William H. Brown acquired his early education in Latrobe, Pennsylvania, but his technical education has been a matter of study and acquisition every succeeding year. He took a practical course in mining at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and also courses with the International Correspondence School. His first experience in mining was as a trapper boy in one of the mines owned by H. C. Frick, near Scottdale, Pennsylvania. He worked in mines at Latrobe and Johnstown, was mine boss at Kinnelton, Pennsylvania, was foreman at Jerome, Somerset County, and at Bando, Pennsylvania, and was advanced to general foreman and then to superintendent and for ten years had charge of two mines for the United Coal Company. The same company transferred him to Wengel, Pennsylvania, and for one year he was superintendent of the Isabella Mine at Brownsville, and finally served as an instructor for the United Coal Company.

Leaving Pennsylvania, he came to Athens County, Ohio, at first as superintendent of mines on Sugar Creek, and he now has charge of eleven mines of the Ohio Collieries Company, two on Sugar Creek, five at Glouster, three near Corning, and one at Rendville.

In 1900 Mr. Brown married Miss Janie Cole, of Tarrs Station, Pennsylvania. They have a family of seven sons and two daughters. Mrs. Brown is a Methodist, while Mr. Brown is a member of the United Brethren Church. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. All his life he has been very athletic, and in younger days he played on the base ball teams and foot ball teams and is a swimmer and boxer. In politics he has cast his vote as a republican.

John E. Tanney is not only one of the representative younger members of the bar of his native City of Sandusky, judicial center of Erie County, but also was one of the first young men of this city to enter the United States Army when the nation became actively involved in the World war. He had full measure of active service on the battle front in France, and made a record that shall ever reflect honor upon him as a gallant young patriot.

John Emmet Tanney was born in Sandusky, on the 21st of August, 1892, and is a son of John Graham Tanney and Caroline (Cline) Tanney, the former of whom was born at Newcastle, England, and the latter in Sandusky, Ohio, where she still maintains her home. John G. Tanney was a young man when he established his residence in Sandusky, where his marriage was solemnized and where his death occurred July 6, 1923, he having given the most of his active career in this city to service as fireman of stationary engines.

After completing his studies in the high school John E. Tanney entered the law department of the Ohio State University. He took the bar examination and was admitted to practice in January, 1917. He initiated the practice of law in Sandusky, but soon responded to the call of higher duty when the United States entered the World war. On the 7th of November, 1917, he enlisted in the Seventeenth Field Artillery of the United States Regular Army, and was at first stationed at Camp Robinson, Wisconsin. On the 14th of December, 1917, he sailed with his command from the port of New York City for the stage of conflict, and he landed in Brest, France, on the last day of that month. That he was at the forefront in connection with the operations of the American Expeditionary Forces needs no further voucher than the statement that he was with his battery in the Verdun sector, in the battling at Chateau Thierry, and the engagements at Soisson, Toul, St. Mihiel and Champagne, besides having been in service with the allied Army of Occupation in Germany after the armistice brought active hostilities to a close. He finally embarked for the home voyage, and on the 20th of August, 1919, he received his honorable discharge. He returned to Sandusky, and here he has since been engaged in the practice of his profession, as a member of the law firm of Tanney & Webster.

The political allegiance of Mr. Tanney is given to the democratic party. He is a popular and influential member of the local post of the American Legion, and has served as chairman of its Americanization committee, and he is affiliated also with the Knights of Columbus, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is a member of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of Sandusky.

On the 4th of October, 1915, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Tanney and Miss Olive Turpin, who was born in Geauga County, Ohio, and whose death occurred February 7, 1917.

August H. Klotz owns and controls one of the important industrial enterprises in his native city of Sandusky, where he conducts a prosperous business in the operating of a general machine shop, in connection with which a foundry department is maintained. He here specializes in the manufacturing of various lines of machinery and as a jobber in the handling of ax-handle machinery, wine and grape-juice machinery and machinery used in the polishing of cutlery.

Mr. Klotz was born in Sandusky, on the 1st of

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November, 1863, and is a son of G. August Klotz and Sophia (Miller) Klotz, both natives of Germany, where the former was born in Saxony and the latter in Baden, their marriage having been solemnized in Sandusky, Ohio, where G. August Klotz established his residence in the year 1850, his wife having come here about the same time with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Miller. G. August Klotz became one of the substantial business men and highly respected citizens of Sandusky, where for many years he conducted a machine shop and foundry, and where he continued to maintain his home until his death in 1907, at the venerable age of eighty-seven years, his wife having passed away in 1895.

In the public schools of his native city August H. Klotz continued his studies until he had duly profited by the curriculum of the high school, and at the age of seventeen years he initiated his three years' apprenticeship to the machinist's trade under the able direction of his father. To advance his technical knowledge and skill he completed a course in the Rose Polytechnic Institute in the City of Terre Haute, Indiana, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1889. For six years thereafter he was employed in the offices of George Feick & Company at Sandusky, and he then purchased the machine shop in the ownership of which his father had been an interested principal. In this connection he has since continued his progressive operations, through which he has gained distinctive success, the while his policies of management and service have made his industrial enterprise one of no minor scope and importance. He is an active member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and also of the Cleveland Engineering Society.

The political allegiance of Mr. Klotz is given to the republican party. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, also a member of Al Koran Temple of Cleveland, Ohio. He has membership in the United Commercial Travelers, the local Rotary Club, the Plum Brook Country Club (of which he is a charter member), the Sandusky Yacht Club and the Sunyendeand Club.

The year 1907 recorded the marriage of Mr. Klotz and Miss Barbara Biemiller, who likewise was born and reared in Sandusky and who is a daughter of Andrew B. and Louise (Veith) Biemiller. Mr. and Mrs. Klotz have no children.

Austin M. Frame, M. D. The community of Coolville in Athens County has been singularly fortunate in having the service continuously for over forty years of an able physician and surgeon, Dr. Austin M. Frame. He has been in practice there since graduating from medical college in 1880.

Coolville is his native community, and he has spent practically all his life there. He was born August 31, 1855. He comes by his profession naturally, since three of his brothers became physicians. His parents were John and Mary (Nessmith) Frame, the former a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Maine. John Frame was a tailor by trade. He settled at Coolville in 1833, and in subsequent years became one of the solid business men and citizens of Southeastern Ohio. He was a stock dealer, a merchant and cattle buyer, and his varied interests extended over a large territory. At one time he operated a packing house at Coolville, slaughtering 3,000 hogs yearly. In the early days he transported much of his live stock and cured meat down the Ohio River on flat boats. His sons inherited much of his successful initiative and energy. He was a Jeffersonian democrat in politics.

There were ten children, nine sons and one daughter: The first born, A. J. Frame, was county treasurer and later auditor of Athens County. A. P., deceased, was a merchant of Coolville. The son, Dr. Adolphus B., was a Union soldier, going into the service as second lieutenant of Company I of the One Hundred and Sixteenth Ohio Volunteers, and was promoted, coming out as adjutant. He is a graduate of the Ohio Medical College of Cincinnati, and for fifty-five years practiced medicine in Athens County and at Piqua, Ohio, where he is now living at the age of eighty-four. The only daughter, Addie, is the wife of William Mitchell, of Parkersburg, West Virginia. A. T. Frame was for many years in the government service in Washington, and died at Parkersburg, West Virginia. Addison O. was formerly in the grain business at Coolville, and is now retired. Dr. John A. Frame was a graduate of the Ohio Medical College and practiced in Athens and in Columbus until his death in 1910. Dr. Alfred N. was a graduate of the Indiana Medical College, and is now practicing at Parkersburg, West Virginia. A. R. Frame was a telegraph operator and was accidentally killed at Belpre, Ohio. Austin M. Frame, the ninth child, grew up at Coolville, attending the local schools, and had some business training as clerk in his father's store. For a time he was an employe of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad at Parkersburg. He began the study of medicine in the office of Dr. G. W. Harman. This office he later purchased, and it is still used by him. In 1880 he graduated and received a diploma from the Central Medical College of Indianapolis, and he at once returned home and offered his professional abilities to people among whom he had grown up. He has been a member of the United States Pension Board for twenty-four years. He is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Masonic Order, and both his sons became Masons. He served two years as worshipful master of his home lodge and for twenty-one years as secretary.

Doctor Frame married Della E. Hosom, daughter of B. A. Hosom, of Coolville. The two sons of their marriage were Howard M. and Adolphus R. Howard was educated at Marietta College and the Ohio University, worked in the local bank at Coolville and in Stedman & Company's office at Athens, and soon after America entered the World war he volunteered and was assigned duty in the Ordnance Department. He was trained at Valparaiso, Indiana, and at Camp Hancock, Georgia, and was then sent overseas, but died of the influenza the day before the ship landed in France.

The second son, Adolphus, was in training for military service in the Ohio University when the armistice was signed. He is now teller of the Bank of Athens.

William A. Himebaugh, a recognized leader for many years in business affairs at Coshocton, and identified with the organizing and directing of some of the city's most important enterprises, is president of the Home Building, Loan & Savings Company. He was born in the City of Coshocton, May 28, 1857, a son of William and Sarah (Alexander) Himebaugh.

Mr. Himebaugh comes of an old and sturdy pioneer family of Pennsylvania. His grandfather, Peter Himebaugh, was born and reared in Lancaster County, that state, and after his marriage came to Ohio and settled near Cadiz, in Harrison County. Here his two sons, William and Peter, were born and reared, moved to Coshocton County later, and both married daughters of John Alexander, a native of Ireland and a pioneer in Coshocton County. Milton Himebaugh, a brother of the subject of this sketch, enlisted in the Union Army for service in the Civil war, and was killed at the Siege of Vicksburg.

William Himebaugh, father of William A., was at first a school teacher in Coshocton County, but later moved to a tract of land containing eighty acres situated near Marietta, a gift from his father, but

a few years after his marriage to Sarah Alexander he returned to Coshocton County and settled on a farm near Chili. In 1854 he was elected county auditor, and served in this office two terms, then bought and moved to the farm of his father-in-law, but subsequently bought another farm, near Lewisville, on which he resided until he retired from farm life. For many years afterward he was a prominent and highly esteemed citizen of Coshocton, where his death took place in 1908, at the age of ninety-one years, his wife having passed away at the age of seventy-seven. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, while he belonged to the Universalist Church.

William A. Himebaugh spent his boyhood on his father's farms and has never lost a certain amount of interest and pleasure in farm pursuits, although since early manhood his home has been in a city and his mind largely engrossed with big affairs. After completing his common school course he spent three years of study in Mount Union College, and then as a student entered the law office of Nicholas & James at Coshocton, and was admitted to the bar in 1886. He engaged in the practice of law at Coshocton until 1901, when he more or less retired from the profession in order to give his entire time and attention to business interests in connection with the modern light and power facilities at Coshocton. For a number of years he was an important factor in these enterprises, a leader in the Coshocton Light & Heat Company and others, one of these developing interests being in relation to the water power on the Wolholding River near Roscoe, constructing a hydro-electric plant for producing electricity and steam. In 1903 he was one of the organizers of the Coshocton Glove Company, with which he was actively connected until 1923, when he disposed of all his interests in this concern with the exception of a block of preferred stock. In 1887 the Home Building, Loan & Savings Company at Coshocton was organized, with which he has been identified ever since, for many years as secretary and for several years past as president. He has been a member of the directing board of the Coshocton National Bank since its organization in 1897, and for a protracted period has been president of the Coshocton Board of Trade. His large farm interests near Coshocton and elsewhere may entitle him to be also called one of the county's most substantial and progressive agriculturists.

Mr. Himebaugh married, in 1886, Miss Emma Markley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Markley, of Lewisville, Coshocton County, and they have one son, William M., who is a graduate of Andover and Yale universities. In political sentiment Mr. Himebaugh has always been loyal to the principles of the republican party, but has never sought or held political office, but his life has largely been a public one, and the able way in which he has handled responsibilities and signally helped to push forward the car of progress during a period of important development at Coshocton, has won him the universal confidence of his fellow citizens in his business ability, and the personal esteem that is given a man of worth.

Andrew F. Holmes, M. D. While his professional work is now confined to office practice, Doctor Holmes for a great many years performed all the varied routine of a busy country practitioner in a community around Albany in Athens County. Doctor Holmes is one of the conspicuous men of affairs in that section of Ohio. He has had a number of business interests, and has been a leader in the republican party for many years.

He was born July 20, 1860, in Knox Township, Vinton County, Ohio, but within six miles of his present home place. His parents were then living in Vinton County temporarily while his father was working up a tract of timberland. This timber was rafted down the stream to mills and the market. His parents were Andrew H. and Salome J. (Kerr) Holmes.

The Holmes family has an interesting genealogy. There was a John Holmes, who was a soldier under the banner of King William, Prince of Orange, at the battle of Boyne, and as a reward for service was granted a tract of confiscated land near Belfast, Ireland. He had a son, James, and a grandson, John. The grandson, John, came to America and was with the colonists in the war for independence under Washington. His home was within eight miles of Philadelphia, and he participated in the battle of Brandywine near that city. His son James, great-grandfather of Doctor Holmes, was a pioneer settler in Belmont County, Ohio, and later moved to Waterloo Township of Athens County. He was a captain in the War of 1812.

James Holmes, grandfather of Doctor Holmes, was born in Wellsborough, West Virginia, and was actively identified with the early commerce of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. He was a trader, and sent many consignments of goods down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers to New Orleans by flat boat. In later years he was a pump manufacturer. He served many years as township trustee, was a liberal thinker and a good, upright citizen. He became a member of the republican party when it was organized, and that has been the politics of the Holmes family ever since.

Andrew H. Holmes, father of Doctor Holmes, was born in Jefferson County, Ohio, and during his active life he lived in a number of different localities and was engaged in different pursuits. Before the war he was a merchant at Albany and at Guysville in Athens County, and after the war was in Hebbardsville, Athens County, Ohio, and Monroe, Highland County, Ohio, and from 1867 to 1873 lived near Pana in Christian County, Illinois. Later he moved to a farm at Bluff City in Harper County, Kansas, where he died of typhoid fever in 1889, at the age of fifty-eight. After his death the family returned to Athens County, Ohio. He was an official member of the Baptist Church. Andrew H. Holmes married Salome J. Kerr, who was born at Carmichael, Pennsylvania, in 1836, daughter of David and Alice (Crawford) Kerr. Through her mother she was a descendant of Col. William Crawford, one of the distinguished figures in the early Indian campaigns in the Northwest Territory that is now Ohio. A son of Col. William Crawford became government surveyor and surveyed lands along the Monongahela River. In early life he was also an Indian scout. He had a comrade named John Lynn, who was killed by the Indians, and since then many of the Crawfords have borne the name of Lynn, due to the fact that an agreement was made between the son of Colonel Crawford and John Lynn that whichever should be killed the other should name his first born son in his honor.

Dr. Andrew F. Holmes was the third in a family of nine children, five of whom are now living. His brother James H. has been prominent in the hotel business, and was formerly manager of the Hotel Green and opened the Hotel U. S. Grant at San Diego, California, and now lives at Pasadena; Dr. Andrew F. is the next son. Lorna L. lives at Columbus, Ohio; Phoebe is the wife of Daniel Jerman, of Columbus; Everett P. lives in Los Angeles; Costelo was a merchant, and died at Albany.

Andrew F. Holmes was seven years of age when the family moved out to Illinois, and he acquired most of his early education in a country school near Pana, that state. He also attended Atwood Institute, Albany, Ohio, and as a boy he worked in his father's

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store. He finished his literary education in the Atwood Institute at Albany, Ohio, and began the study of medicine in Doctor Tinker's office and later in the office of Dr. Eber DeSteiger. In 1883 Doctor Holmes graduated from the Medical College of Ohio, and he practiced at Guysville in Athens County and at Rio Grande until 1885, when he located at his old home town of Albany. In 1899 he attended the Post Graduate School of Medicine at New York. He had a very extensive general practice for many years, but is now largely retired, spending his winters in California or Florida, and doing office consultation work when at home.

Doctor Holmes for many years has been active in the republican party, serving on the county and district executive committees, and has been a delegate to county, district and state conventions. He has been a member of the local school board. Doctor Holmes is president of the Holmes Telephone Company, having held that post since the business was started. For four years he was on the medical staff of the State Hospital at Athens and Toledo, Ohio, and during part of that time was acting superintendent of Athens State Hospital.

April 20, 1881, Doctor Holmes married Miss Elizabeth Jane Wilson, daughter of Alpheus Wilson, who was an extensive land owner, stock dealer and stock shipper. In early days he was a stock drover, taking his cattle from Eastern Ohio over the national road to Baltimore. Doctor and Mrs. Holmes had one son, Alpheus, who was born in 1885 and died in 1907. Doctor Holmes is a past master of the Albany Lodge of Masons, is a member of the Knight Templar Commandery at Athens, and has filled chairs in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows Lodge, is a member of the Encampment Degree and is also affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

William Paul Johnson, M. D., a well known physician at Woodsfield, is former county health commissioner of Monroe County. He has practiced medicine for twelve years, and is a member of an old and honored family of Guernsey County.

He was born on a farm near Lore City, in Guernsey County, February 27, 1889. His grandfather, William B. Johnson, was a pioneer and large land owner in that section of Ohio. His father, John Alexander Johnson, was born at Cumberland, Ohio, and has spent his life there as a farmer, stock man and drover. He is a Presbyterian, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. John A. Johnson married Anna M. Inskeep, who was born at Gibson Station in Guernsey County. Doctor Johnson is a direct descendant of the same family of the famous Scotch poet, Robert Burns.

The oldest of four children, during his boyhood on a farm he determined upon a medical career as his professional work. He was educated in the country schools, graduated from the Cambridge High School in 1908, and in 1912 received his Doctor of Medicine degree from Starling Medical College at Columbus. He is a member of the Alpha Mu Pi Omega medical fraternity, and during his senior year in medical school served as assistant physician at the Ohio State Penitentiary. He began practice in 1912 at Pleasant City, in 1913 located at Byesville, and in 1916 at Miltonsburg in Monroe County. Doctor Johnson in August, 1919, was made Monroe County health commissioner. Since January 1, 1924, he has been engaged in a general medical and surgical practice at Woodsfield, and is affiliated at present with the State Department of Health. He is a member of the Monroe County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Johnson is an independent thinker in politics, and takes keen interest in civic and public affairs. He is a radio fan, is a member of the Masonic Club and Cambridge Lodge No. 66 of the Masonic Order, Barnesville Chapter No. 69, Royal Arch Masons, Barnesville Council No. 97, Royal and Select Masters, and Hope Commandery No. 26, Knights Templar, at Bellaire.

He married at Columbus in 1911 Miss Florence Estelle Stimmell. She was born and reared at Columbus, daughter of the late Charles Letroub Stimmell. The three children of Doctor and Mrs. Johnson are Charlotte, Phillip and Lucille.

Howard Everton Buker was born in Muskingum County, where his grandfather was a pioneer, was educated for the law, and practiced that profession for a number of years at Zanesville. For twenty years he has given his talents and time to the Equitable Savings Company, of which he is secretary.

Mr. Buker was born on a farm in Monroe Township in Muskingum County, September 17, 1870. His grandfather, Alpha Buker, was a native of Maine, came to Ohio in 1818, and the farm on which he settled was one of the few then taken up in Muskingum County. There was only one house between his and the town of Zanesville. Later in addition to farming he operated a hotel at Otsego. Elijah Francis Buker, father of Howard E., was born on the farm in Monroe Township, and has accumulated a competence by farming and stock raising. He is now living retired at Adamsville. He was active in township affairs, is a republican, a member of the Lutheran Church, a Mason and a Knight of Pythias. He married Hannah J. Gaumer, who was born in Muskingum County, and was reared in Salem Township.

One of two children, Howard Everton Buker had the home farm in Monroe Township as his early environment, and while there he attended the public schools. For a time he was a teacher in the country districts. Largely by his own efforts he acquired a liberal education, attending Adrian College in Michigan and Muskingum College at New Concord, Ohio. His law studies were begun under the direction of the late Frank H. Southard, one of Zanesville's most prominent lawyers, and he graduated with his degree in law from the Cincinnati Law College in 1892. Admitted to the bar in June of the same year, Mr. Buker carried on a successful general practice at Zanesville until 1907. In 1905 he had become secretary and attorney for the Equitable Savings Company, one of the strongest financial concerns of the city, and since 1907 his entire time has been given to that institution. He is secretary-treasurer of the Swingle Oil Company and the Fritz Oil and Gas Company, both operating in Muskingum County, and is secretary-treasurer of the Putnam Oil and Gas Company, operating in Noble County.

Mr. Buker while a practicing attorney won a favorable reputation as a forceful speaker and a man possessing the courage of his convictions. He is a republican in politics, and a number of years ago was the progressive party candidate representing the Fifteenth Ohio District in Congress. He helped organize the Zanesville Kiwanis Club and is president of that organization. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, is president of the Young Men's Bible Class, and during the World war he had charge of all the local Red Cross drives and was active in all the Liberty Loan campaigns. He is a member of the Muskingum County Bar Association, and has served as a director of the Zanesville Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Buker's first wife was Miss Viola Castor, who was born and reared in Muskingum County. She died in 1917, the mother of two children, Herbert D. and Helen M. Herbert is now connected with the Timken Roller Bearing Company at Canton, Ohio, is married and has a daughter, Anna Hawkins. Mr. Buker after

the death of his first wife married Vera Clossman, of Zanesville, daughter of Charles T. Clossman, of the Crystal Advertising Company of Zanesville.

Egbert Hiram Mack, editor of The Sandusky Register, and postmaster of Sandusky, was born at Sandusky, June 14, 1881, a son of John Talman and Alice (Davenport) Mack, natives of Rochester, New York, and Ross County, Ohio, respectively. The paternal grandparents were Isaac Foster and Clarissa (Beebe) Mack. For some years Isaac Foster Mack was superintendent of the public schools of Rochester, New York, but later in life moved, with his wife, to Wisconsin, and there he became an extensive land owner. The maternal grandparents were Anthony Sims and Penelope (Richart) Davenport, natives of Ross County, Ohio. John Talman Mack and his wife were married at Columbus, Ohio, but subsequently moved to Sandusky in 1869. He and his brother, Isaac Foster Mack, bought the Sandusky Register, and continued in business as partners until 1909, when the company was incorporated, and I. F. Mack retired. Isaac Foster Mack died in 1912, and John Talman Mack in 1914, but the widow of the latter survives and makes her home at Sandusky. Their children were as follows: John Davenport, who is in business with his brother, Egbert Hiram, and is also president of the Mack Iron Works; Alice Richart, who married R. C. Snyder, publisher of the Norwalk Reflector Herald; Ethel Beebe, who married A. C. Blinn, of Akron, Ohio, vice president and general manager of the Northern Ohio Traction Company; Egbert Hiram, whose name heads this review; and Cornelia Penelope, who married Charles J. Stark, editor Iron Trade Review of Cleveland, Ohio.

The local public schools and Ohio State University furnished Egbert Hiram Mack with his educational training, and he was graduated from the latter in 1903. His initial experience in newspaper work was secured on the Columbus Citizen and the Toledo Blade, and then in 1905 he and his brother-in-law, R. C. Snyder, bought the Coshocton Age, and conducted it until 1909, when he disposed of his interest in it, and, coming back to Sandusky, became secretary and business manager of the Sandusky Register. In 1914 he succeeded his father as editor of this journal, his brother John D. Mack becoming business manager. Always very active in republican affairs, his zeal received proper recognition in October, 1923, by his appointment as postmaster of Sandusky, which office he is still holding.

In November, 1915, Mr. Mack married Dorothy Schumacher, of Sandusky, a daughter of Henry and Ida Jane (Stimpson) Schumacher, natives of Sandusky and Fremont, Ohio, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Mack have one son, John Talman, who was born January 4, 1921. Mr. Mack belongs to the Episcopal Church. His fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Ohio State University, and of the Board of Trustees of the Wooster, Ohio, Experiment Station.

Daniel Shay. From trapper boy in the mines to superintendent of Mine No. 9, at Circle Hill for the Pittsburgh Coal Company, Daniel Shay has pursued a steady working career, beginning with only a few limited terms of schooling. Though he has made a success in life by overcoming disadvantages, it has been his ambition and desire that all his children should receive college educations, and the high purpose expressed in this determination is one of the interesting characteristics of this well known citizen of Athens County.

Mr. Shay was born in Carbondale, Athens County, April 4, 1880, son of Timothy and Margaret (Clifford) Shay. His father was born in Ireland, came to the United States when twenty-one years of age, and his first home was at Mineral City in Athens County. After a brief period of employment on construction work for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad he went into the mines, and mining was his occupation the rest of his life. He died in 1911, at the age of sixty-five, and his wife passed away in 1890, aged thirty-nine. They were members of the Catholic Church. Of their ten children Daniel was the sixth in age. The daughter Margaret is the wife of P. H. Kale, of Chillicothe; Timothy is inside foreman at No. 9 Mine at Circle Hill; Johanna is the wife of James Louth, of Belleville, Illinois; Mike lives at Belleville; Blanch is the wife of Henry Routt; Thomas died at Zaleski, Ohio; Mary died at Cincinnati, Ohio; John died at Athens, Ohio; Cornelius died in infancy at Zaleski, Ohio.

Daniel Shay secured his early education at Zaleski, Vinton County, but experience has been his great teacher, though he attended night schools while working in the mines. At the age of eleven he became a trapper boy, and he did that work at the Luhrig Mine and also dumped coal there. Other experiences of coal mining included hauling machinery and operating a machine at the Luhrig Mine, and for several years he lived in West Virginia, working in the mines at Flemington, east of Clarksburg, and in other districts of the state. He was a machine operator and a foreman of mines in the Raleigh district. Returning to Ohio, he was with the Sunday Creek Coal Company as a machine operator for fourteen months, and then went with the Pittsburgh Coal Company in Mine No. 1. In 1911 he took charge of No. 9 Mine at Circle Hill, and nearly all the development work has been done under his supervision. This is now one of the heaviest producers of coal in the district.

Mr. Shay married in Nelsonville, Ohio, Miss Ellen White, daughter of Matthew and Mary Jane White. She was born in Clarksburg, West Virginia. They are the parents of five children: Rose, in her second year at Ohio University at Athens; Helen, attending the Nelsonville High School; Paul, in the eighth grade of the public schools; Frank, in the fifth grade; while Daniel, Jr., is the youngest member of the household.

William A. Pride, now of Glouster, has practiced dentistry in that community for thirty years, and is one of the older representatives of his profession in the southeastern part of the state.

He was born in Woods County, West Virginia, June 12, 1862, and when he was an infant his parents, James Finley and Susan Pride, moved to Washington County, Ohio. His father, now eighty-three years of age, lives at Rockland, retired after a long and very successful career as a truck gardener. For many years he sold his produce to the markets of Parkersburg, West Virginia. He is a democrat and a Methodist. The mother of Doctor Pride was born in 1841, and died in 1917. They had a family of nine children, and eight are still living: Dr. Dilliam A.; Baruch, who was a truck gardener and commission merchant, and is now deceased; Jesse, a truck grower at Rockland, Ohio; Thomas, a retired gardener; Frank, a farmer at Rockland; Dr. Charles A., of Glouster, a dentist; Letha, wife of Charles Nichols, of Rockland; Mary House, of San Francisco; and Anna Reed, of Kansas.

Dr. William A. Pride attended school at Rockland and Belpre. He took up the study of dentistry, and was graduated in 1892 from the Ohio College of Dental Surgery at Cincinnati, but for six years he worked as a traveling dentist, having a circuit of towns in Southeastern Ohio. He practiced at Belpre,

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Stewart, Guysville, Trimble, Glouster, Albany, Letart Falls, and for a year or so had a permanent office at Albany. In 1894 he engaged in practice at Glouster, and for thirty years has been active in his profession. He acts as general agent for the Gem City Life Insurance Company of Dayton, Ohio. For twenty-five years he has had membership in the Ohio State Dental Society, and is also a member of the Rehwinkel Dental Society of Chillicothe, Ohio. He is a Mason, Odd Fellow and Knight of Pythias. At Glouster he is now serving on the council, was town treasurer and has always been interested in the general welfare. He is a democrat in politics.

May 1, 1893, Doctor Pride married Miss Gertrude Matheney, daughter of Rev. Loran Matheney, a Methodist minister.

JOHN TENNYSON HAYNES, M. D. The entire professional career of Doctor Haynes, covering a period of thirty-five years, has been identified with one line of important public service and one institution, the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Home in Erie County, near Sandusky, of which he is surgeon.

John Tennyson Haynes was born at Seven Mile, Butler County, Ohio, June 29, 1864, son of Dr. Moses Harriman and Sarah J. (Hunter) Haynes. His mother's parents came from the North of Ireland and South Scotland. Dr. Moses Haynes was a direct descendant of John Haynes, the first governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, who came to this country from England in 1630. John Tennyson Haynes had three brothers, two dying in infancy. His brother, Earl Haynes, born in 1872, is a graduate of Cornell University and for over a quarter of a century has been connected with the public school system of New York. He married Della Bales in 1898, and they have since lived at Bay Shore on Long Island, the parents of two children. The only sister of Dr. J. T. Haynes was Luella Marr, four years his senior. She graduated from the College of Music at Cincinnati and in 1885 was married to Dr. David S. Schaff, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a minister of the Presbyterian Church and son of the late Dr. Philip Schaff, of the Union Theological Seminary of New York. Mrs. Schaff died March 12, 1908, the mother of seven children.

John Tennyson Haynes attended public schools in his native community in Southern Ohio, continued his education in Earlham College at Richmond, Indiana, and in 1889 graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree from Miami Medical College at Cincinnati. On October 20, 1889, he was appointed first assistant surgeon of the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Sandusky, and less than two years later was promoted to surgeon, on August 20, 1891, a position he has held continuously since that date. He has made his service a notable one, and the entire institution has reflected some of his fine ideals, both as a professional man and citizen.

Since 1898 Doctor Haynes has been a member of the United States Pension Examining Board at Sandusky. He is a member of varous medical societies, has served as president of a number of clubs, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, being a past eminent commander of the Knights Templar Commandery and a member of the Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Plum Brook Golf Club at Sandusky, the social organization known as the Sunyendeand Club of Sandusky, the Men's Literary Club of Sandusky, and is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States of America. Doctor Haynes before completing his medical education had some experience as a teacher, and was also employed in wholesale produce houses. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Sandusky.

At Piqua, Ohio, December 23, 1891, he married Olive Davis Ashton, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Ashton, of Piqua. She is of English ancestry, her father's people having come from England, while her mother's family dates back to the English Setons. Doctor and Mrs. Haynes have five children: Ashton Hunter, Dorothy Wood, Leonard Wood, Paul Tennyson and Hunter Harrison Haynes.

BERNARD GALE WITTEN, who represents one of the first pioneer families of Southeastern Ohio, was a soldier in the World war, and for several years has been engaged in a successful law practice and has a leading part in community affairs at Bellaire.

He was born in Jackson Township, Monroe County, Ohio, May 4, 1895, representing the fifth generation of the Witten family there. Phillip Witten and his wife, Margaret, came to Ohio from Virginia in 1790, only a year or so after the first permanent colony was established in Ohio, at Marietta. He entered land in Jackson Township, Monroe County, devoted the rest of his life to making a farm, and his descendants have lived in that community ever since. His son James and his grandson John were both born and lived in Monroe County. Leander A. Witten, father of the Bellaire attorney and great-grandson of Phillip Witten, the original settler, was born in Monroe County in 1855, and is still living on a farm there. He taught school, has been a farmer and a leader in local affairs, being on the board of school examiners and for eight years was on the county school board. In 1886 he instituted and became the first chancellor commander of Sardis Lodge No. 576, Knights of Pythias. He is a democrat and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Leander A. Witten married Ruth Garden, a native of Monroe County, who died in 1914. They had four children, Bernard G., being the third.

Bernard G. Witten was educated in public schools in Monroe County, attended the Marietta High School, continued his education in Marshall College, and while still a student he returned to Woodsfield, Ohio, to enlist as a private in the Twenty-seventh Machine Gun Battalion.

He went to France with the Eighty-fourth Division, and on November 12, 1918, the day after the signing of the armistice, was sent to Verdun and attached to the One Hundred and Tenth Machine Gun Battalion in the Twenty-ninth Division. Subsequently he was in Alsace-Lorraine, and arrived in the United States on Decoration day of 1919. He became a sergeant, and altogether spent nine months overseas.

After leaving the army Mr. Witten resumed his law studies at Ohio Northern University at Ada, and was graduated Bachelor of Law in 1920, vice president of his class and a member of the Delta Theta Phi college fraternity. He at once engaged in practice at Bellaire, and has won a sucessful position as a lawyer. He is attorney for and a director of the Bellaire Loan Association, and in 1922 became a member of the Civil Service Commission of Bellaire and is still serving in that office.

He was vice president in 1923 of the Bellaire Kiwanis Club, and in 1923 was vice commander and in 1924 commander of Bellaire Post of the American Legion. He is also a member of the Forty and Eight Society of ex-service men, and is particularly interested in the Americanization work being done by the American Legion. He is also active in the Chamber of Commerce, served on the Board of Directors in 1922-23 of the Americus Club, and is a director of the Salvation Army. He is a member of the Belmont County Bar Association, is prominent in Young Men's

Christian Association work at Bellaire, is a leader in local democratic politics, is a teacher in the Sunday school of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with Sardis Lodge No. 576, Knights of Pythias.

October 2, 1923, at Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania, Mr. Witten married Miss Esther Jane Parson, daughter of E. S. Parson, a retail furniture merchant. Mrs. Witten graduated from Ohio Northern University with the Bachelor of Science degree in education, and for one year was a teacher at Beallsville, Ohio, and for two years at Lore City in Guernsey County. She is active in church, club and social affairs at Bellaire.

Carl Ross Knoble, M. D., has built up in the City of Sandusky a substantial general practice that distinctly marks him as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Erie County, and he is known and honored also as a broad-minded and progressive citizen who is ever ready to give his support to measures and enterprises advanced for the general good of the community.

Doctor Knoble was born in Wayne County, Ohio, September 11, 1880, and is a son of Louis and Felicia (Pinkerton) Knoble. Louis Knoble has long held prestige as a skilled veterinary surgeon, and is now living virtually retired at Clyde, Sandusky County, his wife having passed away in 1910.

After his graduation from the high school at Galion, Crawford County, in 1899, Dr. Carl R. Knoble became a student in Ohio Wesleyan University in 1900, and in 1905 he was graduated from Starling College, now the medical department of the Ohio State University. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he engaged in the practice of his profession at Sandusky, where his success and precedence offer the best evidence of his professional ability and personal popularity. He is an active member of the Erie County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. His political support is given to the democratic party. He served two terms as coroner of Erie County, was for five years a member of the local Board of Education, of which he was the president two of these years, and he is president of the Board of Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church of Sandusky, of which he and his wife are zealous members.

In the time-honored Masonic fraternity Doctor Knoble has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being affiliated with the Mystic Shrine and the Grotto of Veiled Prophets. He has membership also in the Knights of Pythias; the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of the local aerie of which he has been the official physician since 1910; the Loyal Order of Moose, in which he has been physician of the local organization since 1912; the Knights of the Maccabees, in which he has passed the various official chairs; the Modern Woodmen of America, of the local camp of which he is official physician; and the Sandusky Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The Doctor is a valued member of the local Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club and the Plum Brook Country Club.

The year 1904 recorded the marriage of Doctor Knoble and Miss Edna Unckrich, who was born and reared in Sandusky and who is a daughter of Frederick and Minnie (Hasselbach) Unckrich. Doctor and Mrs. Knoble have two children: Ross is now (1924) a student in Western Reserve University, in the City of Cleveland, and Grace is a student in the Sandusky High School.

Harry B. Turner has held since 1916 the office of superintendent of the public schools of Warren, the judicial center of Trumbull County, and his record of service in the pedagogic profession has been of distinctly constructive order, the objective appreciation of which has been indicated by his consecutive advancement in his chosen profession.

Harry Benton Turner was born at Freeport, Harrison County, Ohio, September 2, 1880, and in the same place were born also his parents, John D. and Atha (Kirby) Turner, the former of whom was born November 23, 1856, and the latter on the 8th of March, 1855. John D. Turner was reared at Freeport, there received the advantages of the public schools, and there learned the trade of blacksmith. In his native town he continued to follow the work of his trade until 1886, when he removed with his family to Flushing, Belmont County, where he has since continued to be actively engaged in the work of his sturdy trade—a man of sterling character and strong mentality. He is a democrat in his political proclivities, and he has given several terms of service as a member of the Village Council of Flushing, he having been for some time president of this municipal body. He and his wife are zealous members of the Church of the Disciples, and he is serving as an elder in the same. Of the three children, Prof. Harry B., of this sketch, is the eldest; Maude is the wife of Clyde F. Tucker, a prosperous farmer in Ashland County, and Ethel is the wife of Charles W. Davis, a railroad employe, their home being maintained at Flushing, Belmont County.

In the high school at Flushing Harry B. Turner was graduated as a member of the class of 1897, and thereafter he continued his studies in Hiram College, one of the old and famed educational institutions of Ohio, until he was there graduated in 1903 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In the meantime he had taught in district school No. 3, known as Kirk's School, in Flushing Township, Belmont County, in 1898-99. In the year that marked his graduation from Hiram College he became principal of the high school at Garrettsville, Portage County, a post which he retained one year. For three years thereafter he was superintendent of the public schools in the village of Mantua, that county, and he then accepted the position of principal of the high school in the City of Ravenna, where he thus continued his services until 1914. He was then elected county superintendent of schools for Portage, this preferment having come through the medium of the county Board of Education, and his effective administration of two years was followed, in 1916, by his assumption of his present position, that of superintendent of the city schools of Warren. Here he has jurisdiction over fifteen schools, 275 teachers and fully 7,000 pupils, his executive offices being established at 307 Western Reserve Bank Building. Professor Turner is vital and forward-looking in his work as an instructor and administrator, and has done much to advance the standard of the work in the excellent schools that Warren has long claimed as her own. In politics Mr. Turner is a republican, with minor reservations of independence, and as a citizen he is loyal and progressive, with vital interest in the advancing of the best interests of the community. He is a member of the Board of School Examiners of the City of Warren, and had previously served as a member of the Portage County Board of School Examiners. He is a director of the Trumbull County Normal School at Warren; he and his wife are active members of the Central Christian Church in their home city, and of the same he is serving as an elder. The Masonic affiliations of the Professor are as here designated: Old Erie Lodge No. 3, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Mahoning Chapter No. 66, Royal Arch Masons; Warren Commandery No. 39, Knights Templar, all at Warren. He holds membership on the Warren Board of Trade, is a member of the National Educational Association, the Ohio State Teachers' Association,

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the Northeastern Ohio Teachers' Association and the Trumbull County Teachers' Association, of which last named organization he is serving as president at the time of this writing, in the autumn of 1923. He was a delegate from the Ohio State Teachers' Association to the meeting of the National Educational Association held at San Francisco and Oakland, California, in 1923. Mr. Turner is a member also of the Ohio State Committee on Patriotic Instruction in the Schools. In the World war period he was active in advancing the various government war-loan drives in Trumbull County, and was a member of the Speakers' Bureau of the county, besides having been chairman of the community war-camp committee of Trumbull County, an organization formed to aid in providing recreation facilities and advancing moral conditions in the neighborhood of the war camps. He was loyal and influential in the various patriotic services thus rendered in his home county, and the same spirit of loyalty characterizes him in his civic attitude. At No. 9, Iddings Road, is found Hawthorne Cottage, the home of Mr. Turner and his family, this attractive Warren property being owned by him.

October 7, 1905, recorded the marriage of Mr. Turner and Miss Blanche Kent, who was one of his classmates at Hiram College, in which she was graduated in 1903, with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. Mrs. Turner is a daughter of the late Eugene E. and Lucinda (Bayard) Kent, her father having been a substantial farmer and honored citizen near Chagrin Falls, Cuyahoga County. Mr. and Mrs. Turner have one son, Clarence Eugene, who was born August 28, 1908.

James P. Turner, grandfather of Professor Turner of this review, was born in Pennsylvania, in 1828, and died at Freeport, Harrison County, Ohio, in the year 1900, he having been a young man when he numbered himself among the pioneers in Harrison County, where, as a skilled millwright, he found much demand for his services in connection with the building of early mills in that section of the state. He was originally a man of great physical strength and vitality, but the hardships he endured while serving as a soldier of the Union in the Civil war so undermined his health that he never recuperated his powers, though he lived to attain to the psalmist's span of three score years and ten. His wife, whose maiden name was Lucy Ankrim, died at Freeport in 1880. The father of this sterling Ohio pioneer came from the North of Ireland and established his home in Pennsylvania, he having been of staunch Scotch ancestry.

Charles Everett White has been a substantial business man of Coolville, Athens County, for over forty years. He learned undertaking from his father, was one of the pioneer embalmers in his section of the state, and in later years his interests have extended to the ownership of a large department store and other business affairs.

Mr. White was born at Coolville, August 27, 1860. His father was a carpenter and cabinet maker, and, as was the custom in those days, the local cabinet maker was also called upon to perform the duties of undertaker, making the coffins as occasion demanded. Charles E. White when a small child frequently held the light so that his father could see to perform the work in an emergency order for a coffin. His parents were James Leander and Ann (Lawrence) White. His grandfather was David White, of Muskingum County, who in early days moved with his family to Washington County. Ann Lawrence was born in New Hampshire, daughter of John and Kaziah Lawrence, who came to Ohio during her infancy. James L. White was born at Little Hocking in Washington County, Ohio, learned the carpenter's trade, and at the age of twenty-one located at Coolville. When he was twenty-two he married, and he set up in business for himself in 1858. A year or so later he volunteered as a Union soldier and served three years and four months, and for six months was a prisoner of war at Andersonville and Libby. While in the service he was shot through the lung, a wound that eventually developed tuberculosis, and he died when only forty-two years of age, in 1878. He was the father of two sons, Charles E. and John, the latter dying in infancy. His daughters were: Lizzie, wife of J. H. Peters, a resident of California; Mary W., wife of Anderson Bentz; Cora, who died in childhood.

Charles Everett White attended public schools at Coolville, and when not in school helped his father in business. After his father died he continued the work of undertaker, and subsequently secured a license as an embalmer. In his business as an undertaker a strong element of human kindliness has given distinction to the routine work of his profession, and he has done his duty to the rich and poor alike. In 1921 Mr. White organized the White, Sarson Company, and this company has built and maintains a department store at Coolville that would be creditable to a much larger town. Mr. White is president and general manager of the company.

Mr. White in his younger years served two terms as township clerk. On September 19, 1881, he married Miss Nellie Yagala, daughter of G. Yagala, of Coolville. Mrs. White and their only child, Clyde L. White, are both associated in the business. Clyde graduated from Ohio University at the age of twenty-three, taught school in Coolville for a time, and during the World war he went overseas with Sanitary Train No. 8, and was a sergeant in this service at LeMons.

Clyde Wallace Kirkland, M. D. Engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery at Bellaire for ten years, Doctor Kirkland has assumed unusual responsibilities in the public side of his profession, particularly public health work. He is president of the Belmont County Public Health League, and also a past president of the Ohio State Public Health League, one of the most vital organizations for the educational as well as the practical measures in the public health program.

Doctor Kirkland was born on a farm in Mead Township of Belmont County, August 23, 1881. His father, Henry Palmer Kirkland, now seventy-four years of age, is a son of Samuel Kirkland, who came to Ohio from Pennsylvania and settled in Belmont County. Henry P. Kirkland, who was born in Mead Township in 1849, has devoted his life to farming. He married Theiza Jane Trimble, who was born in Belmont County in 1852.

Clyde Wallace Kirkland grew up on the farm, attended public schools, and as a boy made a definite choice of a medical career. His liberal education was acquired in Marietta College and Academy, where he spent six years, graduating with the Bachelor of Philosophy degree. During his college course he depended largely upon his own exertions, spending the summer vacations working on farms. After leaving Marietta College he entered Starling Ohio Medical College at Columbus, and was graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1911. During his junior and senior years in medical college he was assistant histologist, and after graduating he remained a teacher in the Ohio State University Medical Laboratory and was associated in private practice with Doctor Horton of Columbus. He served an interneship in Saint Francis Hospital in Columbus.

Doctor Kirkland located at Bellaire for private practice in 1913. While his work covers the general field of medicine and surgery, he is a recognized specialist in pediatrics, having taken post-graduate

work in pediatrics in Chicago hospitals, and also in the post-graduate hospitals in New York City. He has served as president and in 1923 was elected secretary of the Belmont County Medical Society, and is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations, and the National Anesthetic Research Society.

On September 5, 1918, Doctor Kirkland was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps and was sent to Camp Greenleaf for military training and subsequently to General Hospital No. 14 as anesthetist, serving in that capacity until his honorable discharge on May 3, 1919. He is a member of Bellaire Post No. 52 of the American Legion.

Doctor Kirkland is a member of the staff and a director of the laboratory of the City Hospital at Bellaire. In 1920 he organized and was elected first president of the Belmont County Public Health League, and in 1923 was chosen president of the Ohio State Public Association. He is unusually qualified for leadership in public health work. He has given much attention both in his private practice and as a public health worker to combating tuberculosis. Doctor Kirkland is a member of the Presbyterian Church, belongs to the Kiwanis Club and the Americus Club, and is affiliated with Ionic Lodge No. 438, Free and Accepted Masons, and Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite. He married Miss Ona Jebb, who was born and reared in Michigan, and is a leader in the woman's clubs and social service and public health movements, furnishing Doctor Kirkland important aid in cooperation in his work as a public health leader. Doctor and Mrs. Kirkland have two children, Clyde Wallace, Jr., and Elmer Jebb.

Charles Stuart McDougall, M. D. In the early years of his medical practice in Athens County, Doctor McDougall had his full share of the heavy labor demanded of the medical profession, including riding and driving over all but impossible roads, serving the needs of his patients without regard for any regular schedule of his own. He has spent all his life in Athens County, and is a member of one of the oldest families of that section of the state.

He was born at the old family homestead in Ames Township, September 27, 1861. This homestead was settled by his grandparents, John and Hannah (McKinney) McDougall, in 1817. John McDougall, of Scotch parentage, was born in 1777, and was reared in a French neighborhood in Ontario, Canada. When he left there he could speak French better than English. On leaving Canada he went to New York City, where he was steward of the first hospital in that city, his wife acting in the capacity of matron. After five years in New York they came west to the wilderness of Ames Township, Athens County, finding but few other settlers in the entire township when they moved here. He entered land here, and distinguished himself as a typical citizen as well as a typical farmer, and did much toward establishing good schools and churches. He died at the age of seventy-seven. His wife, Hannah McKinney, was a cousin of Elizabeth Patterson, who married Jerome Bonaparte against the strenuous objections made by the Emperor Napoleon.

Gilbert McMasters McDougall, father of Doctor McDougall, was born in Athens County in 1819, and died November 30, 1899, when eighty years of age. He acquired his early education in district schools, finished the civil engineering course in Ohio University at Athens, and did some surveying in early life. He then took charge of the home farm and looked after his parents, his older brother having gone West. His farm of 500 acres in Ames Township came to be pointed out as one of the best managed farms in the county. He also took a very intelligent interest in public affairs, serving as township trustee, justice of the peace and for ten years held the office of county commissioner. No one before or since has served so long in that office in the county with such general satisfaction. Physically Gilbert McDougall was big and strong, weighing 220 pounds, and bore a marked resemblance to P. T. Barnum. He also contrived a reputation for shrewd Scotch sense and wisdom, his advice being sought by his neighbors, and he moved as a real leader among the people. He was a high tariff republican in politics, and, like other generations of the family, was a Scotch Presbyterian. He belonged to the Masonic Order.

Gilbert M. McDougall married Sarah Woodworth, who was born at Williamsfield in Ashtabula County, Ohio, and was twelve years of age when her parents moved to Athens County. She was a daughter of Zebina Woodworth. Her death occurred in 1901, at the age of seventy-six. Gilbert McDougall and wife had a family of three daughters, all now deceased, and two sons, both of whom are physicians. The other is Dr. John Gilbert McDougal, of New Lexington, Ohio, who, as noted, spells the family name with a slight difference from the custom that has prevailed in previous generations.

Charles Stuart McDougall passed his early life at the old homestead farm, and attended the country schools and then Ohio University at Athens. He graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1883 from the Medical College of Ohio at Cincinnati, and received the same degree from the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia in 1885. Doctor McDougall for eighteen months practiced at Chillicothe, Ohio, and then for a period of five years was connected with the Ohio State Hospital at Athens, assistant to Superintendent Dr. Richardson. Since that period of public service he has devoted himself to private practice. Doctor McDougall has always been a lover of horses, and it was with considerable reluctance that he accepted the automobile to make his rounds of duty. He and his brother John are both of the slender type physically, energetic, and men of intellectual tendencies.

His outside interests have been numerous. For ten years he was a director of the Pomeroy National Bank, was a member of the local school board seventeen years, has been a delegate to local, district and state republican conventions, is an Elk, and a member of the County, State and American Medical Associations. He served several years as secretary of the County Agricultural Board. However, by inclination he is decidedly a home man and has always cultivated the domestic comforts.

Doctor McDougall married Katheryn Fisher, daughter of John and Sophie Fisher. Two children were born to their marriage, the son, Gilbert W., and daughter, Louise, but the latter died in childhood. The son Gilbert was educated in the Athens High School, in Ohio University, and did post-graduate work in Ohio State University and the University of Wisconsin. He entered the Officers' Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison during the World war, was commissioned second lieutenant, and was trained with the Three Hundred Eighth Ammunition Train of the Eighty-third Division. While overseas he was at various fronts, including the Argonne Forest, and was slightly gassed, otherwise uninjured. He is now a structural engineer living at Greenville, Pennsylvania. He married Edna Sillers, of Mount Vernon, Ohio, and has one daughter, Katheryn Jane McDougall, born August 12, 1923.

Henry Curtis was a lad of about ten years at the time when the family home was established in Sandusky, Ohio, and here he has maintained his residence during the long intervening years, save for a

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brief interval passed in California. He is here a prominent representative of the wholesale and retail oil business, as president of the Curtis Oil Company, which he organized in October, 1922, and which is incorporated with a capital stock of $50,000. He is president also of the Peoples Loan & Savings Company and chairman of its appraising committee.

Mr. Curtis was born in the fair old city of Detroit, Michigan, and the year of his nativity was 1867. He is a son of James William and Catherine (Ryan) Curtis, the former of whom was born in Toronto, Canada, and the latter in Ireland. Their marriage was solemnized in Detroit, Michigan, where they remained until 1877, becoming then permanent residents of Sandusky, Ohio, where Mr. Curtis is now living retired from active business. He learned the cooper's trade in his youth, and followed the same a number of years. The death of Mrs. Curtis occurred in October, 1921.

Henry Curtis attended the public schools until he was thirteen years old, and his broader education has been that acquired in the school of practical experience and service. He learned the cooper's trade, largely under the direction of his father, and he was employed at this trade in Sandusky until 1889, when he went to California. In that state he followed his trade about six months, and he then returned to Sandusky, which has continued the stage of his successful business activities during the intervening years. In 1901 he here engaged in the jobbing and retail oil business, and for seven years he here had charge of the local business of the Standard Oil Company, which corporation purchased his interest at the expiration of the period noted. He resigned his position with the Standard Oil Company in October, 1922, and forthwith effected the organization of the Curtis Oil Company, of which he has since continued the president, F. W. Ohlemacher being vice president, and Albert Ritter, the secretary and treasurer. With the best of facilities and with effective service in both wholesale and retail departments this company has developed a substantial oil business and receives a representative supporting patronage. The progressiveness of the Curtis Oil Company has been shown in its establishing of a free camping ground for automobile tourists who visit Sandusky. This camp-ground has been fitted with modern conveniences and accessories, and is attractively situated at the junction of the Lincoln Highway and McKinley Street, in the eastern part of Sandusky. The advantages of this camping ground have met with high appreciation on the part of tourists, and its establishing indicates the civic loyalty and progressiveness of the principals of the Curtis Oil Company. In connection with his other activities Mr. Curtis has for a number of years given attention to the handling of real estate in and near his home city. He is one of the liberal and valued members of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the Erie County Automobile Club, is affiliated with the United Commercial Travelers, and is found staunchly arrayed as a supporter of the cause of the democratic party, as a representative of which he was for six years a member of the City Council.

May 21, 1891, recorded the marriage of Mr. Curtis and Miss Amelia Steible, who was born and reared in Sandusky and who is a daughter of Capt. John and Mary (Ruemmele) Steible. Captain Steible was for many years commander of vessels on the Great Lakes, and was a prominent figure in navigation circles at the time of his death, in March, 1924, his widow being still a resident of Sandusky. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis have two children: Nellie is the wife of Walter J. Bender, of Bellevue, Huron County, and Kenneth Earl remains at the parental home.

Thomas Henry Stoffel, who is engaged in the general real estate and insurance business at Saint Clairsville, Belmont County, and who has important interests in connection with oil production in this part of Ohio, was born near Bergzabern, Rhineland district of Bavaria, Germany, on the 1st of July, 1864, and in the same locality were born his parents, Balthasar and Christina (Gerhardstein) Stoffel. The father passed the closing period of his life at Crabapple, Ohio, where he died in 1910, at the patriarchal age of ninety-two years, his wife having died in Monroe County, Ohio, when she was sixty-six years of age. Balthasar Stoffel became a prosperous merchant in his native land, where he continued to reside until 1880, coming then with his family to the United States and settling on a farm near Leavisville, Monroe County, Ohio. Later he continued his farm enterprise in Perry Township, that county, and upon removal to Belmont County he became one of the substantial exponents of farm industry in Washington Township. He was a man of sterling character and ever commanded popular confidence and esteem in the land of his adoption. He was a strong advocate of prohibition as touching the liquor traffic, and he and his wife were zealous communicants of the German Lutheran Church. Mr. Stoffel never learned to speak the English language, he having been somewhat more than sixty years of age when he came to the United States.

Thomas H. Stoffel gained his early education in the schools of his native land, and was sixteen years of age at the time of the family immigration to the United States. In Monroe County, Ohio, he profited by the advantages of the public schools and also those of a normal school at Antioch, where he also gave effective service as a teacher of German and penmanship. He initiated his independent career on a small farm in Washington Township, Belmont County, and there he gave nine years of efficient administration in the office of township clerk. While still engaged in farm enterprise he amplified his activities by selling farm machinery, as well as stoves, ranges and other household supplies. As a specially fine penman he found demand for service also in the teaching of penmanship. One of his feats in penmanship was in a contest for the writing legibly of the greatest number of words on a standard postal card. Mr. Stoffel won, having written the first and second chapters and the first eighteen verses of the third chapter of Saint John. He also wrote the Lord's Prayer, name and address on a three-quarter-inch square. Mr. Stoffel graduated from Scio College in Penmanship in 1893, also receiving a diploma from Bixler Business College at Wooster, Ohio. While still residing on his farm Mr. Stoffel engaged also in the securing of leases for oil and natural gas production. His strong hold upon popular confidence and respect in Washington Township was shown in his long retention of the office of township clerk in this republican township, notwithstanding that he is a democrat in his political allegiance.

In 1911 Mr. Stoffel moved to Saint Clairsville, the county seat, and here he served four years as chief deputy in the office of the county recorder. In 1916 he was the democratic candidate for the office of county recorder, but in an automobile accident he received injuries that prevented him from making an active campaign, with the result that he was defeated in the election. Since 1916 Mr. Stoffel has been engaged in the real estate and insurance business at Saint Clairsville, and his initiative energy and progressive policies have enabled him to build up a large and important business in the handling of village and farm properties and in furthering the development and upbuilding of Saint Clairsville. He has been prominent also in the handling of coal and

oil lands. Mr. Stoffel platted, improved and placed on the market the Stoffel and East Lawn additions to Saint Clairsville. His East Lawn tract, comprising 126 acres, was formerly a farm lying adjacent to Saint Clairsville, and he has made the same one of the finest residential districts of the county seat. In connection with oil and gas production Mr. Stoffel has important interests in both Monroe and Belmont counties, Ohio, and also in Kentucky. He organized the Wayne Oil & Gas Company, which is operating in Wayne Township, Belmont County, and the Hooppole Oil & Gas Company, operating in Monroe County. He and his wife are zealous members of the Thoburn Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he is a trustee, besides being a member of the Men's Bible Class. He was a member of the Official Board at the time of the building of the beautiful new church edifice in 1921. Mr. Stoffel is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, the Knights of Pythias and the Grange. Though of German nativity, he evinced the highest type of American loyalty in the World war period, was active and liberal in the advancing of local patriotic service, and had kinsfolk in both the American and German armies. He is a leader in movements for the advancements of the city and county that represent his home, and in this connection it may be noted that he was one of the first to advocate the establishing of automobile bus service between Saint Clairsville and the City of Wheeling, West Virginia. Mr. Stoffel has read widely and with discrimination, and through this medium has gained a liberal education and a fine intellectual ken.

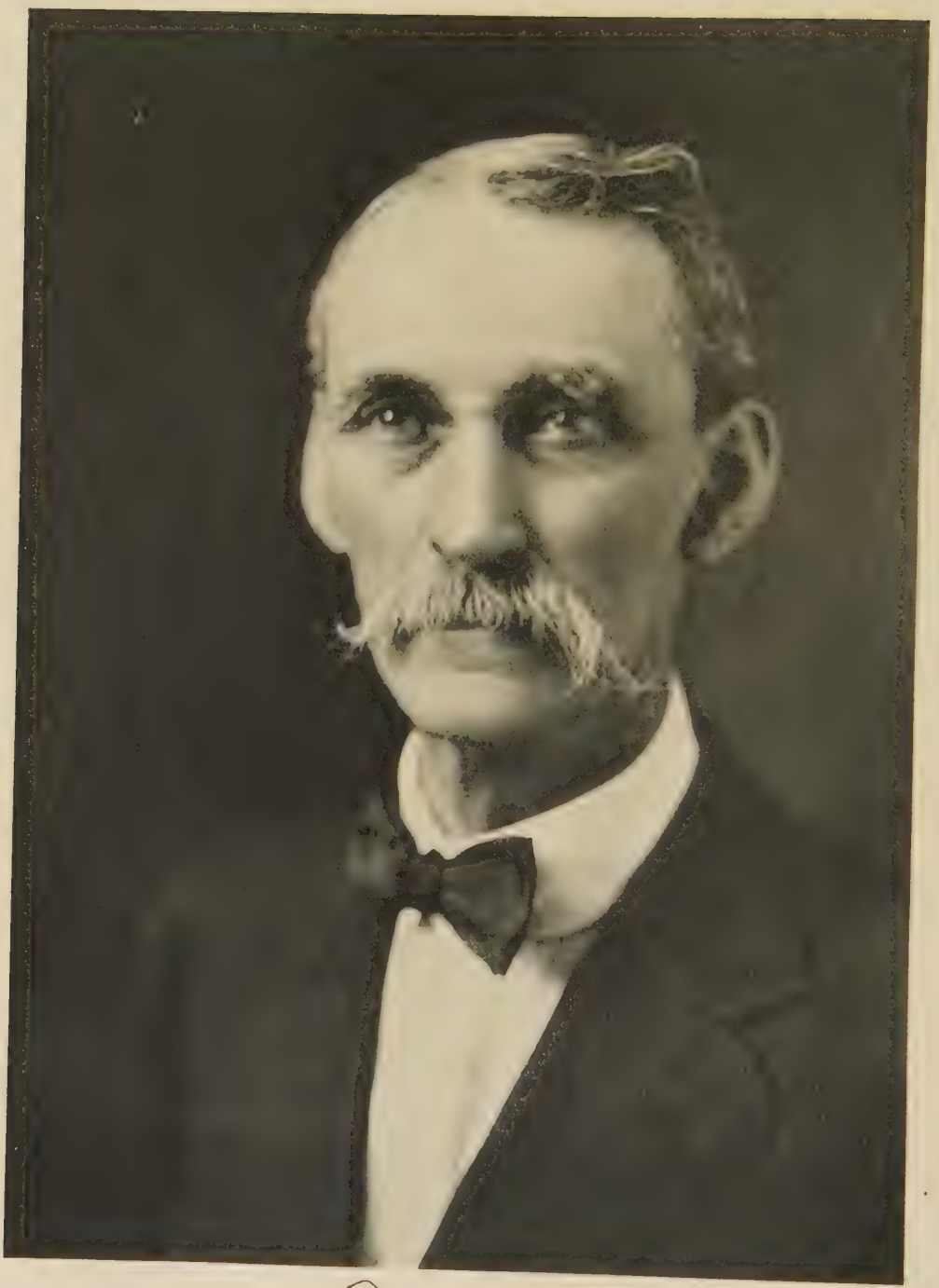
Mrs. Stoffel, whose maiden name was Mary L. Robertson, was born and reared in Smith Township, Belmont County, and is a daughter of the late Frank Robertson. Mr. Robertson was a member of a Maryland regiment in the Civil war, and in later years was actively affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic. After the war he came to Ohio and became identified with the coal mining operations. Mr. and Mrs. Stoffel have three daughters, Beulah, Mary and Olive, and the two younger daughters remain at the parental home, Miss Mary being an assistant in the office of her father. Beulah is the wife of Thoburn R. Stewart, a progressive farmer near Saint Clairsville, and they have two children: Thomas Ray and Robert.

Zalmon O. Sherwood, M. D., has been established in the successful practice of his profession at Geneva, Ashtabula County, for more than a decade past, save for the period of his service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army in connection with the nation's participation in the World war. The Doctor has developed a substantial and representative general practice, and maintains his offices in the Munger Block.

Doctor Sherwood was born at Westerly, Rhode Island, on the 7th of February, 1886. His father, Horace A. Sherwood, Doctor of Medicine, was born at Unionville, Ashtabula County, Ohio, in the year 1856, and his death occurred in the City of Cleveland, this state, in 1898, his remains being laid to rest in the cemetery at Unionville, his native place. Dr. Horace A. Sherwood was reared at Unionville, and received his early education in the schools of Ashtabula County. In 1876 he was graduated from the medical department of Western Reserve University, at Cleveland, and after receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was engaged in the practice of his profession at Madison, Ohio, until 1885, when he removed to Westerly, Rhode Island, which place continued the stage of his professional ministrations until 1891, when he returned to his native town of Unionville, the remainder of his life having been passed in Ohio. His wife, whose maiden name was Anna Walding, was born at Madison, Ohio, in 1858, and her death occurred at Westerly, Rhode Island, February 15, 1886, only a few days after the birth of her son, Zalmon O., who figures as the immediate subject of this review. Mrs. Sherwood was a member of the first class to be graduated in the high school at Madison, Ohio, that of 1876. Horace A., elder of the two children, resides at Akron, Ohio, where he holds a position with the Akron Beacon-Journal, a leading daily newspaper in that city.

Zalmon Sherwood, grandfather of Dr. Zalmon O. Sherwood, was born in the State of Vermont, in 1825, and died at Unionville, Ashtabula County, Ohio, in the year 1906. He was a young man when he came to Ohio, and was a pioneer in the merchant-tailoring business at Unionville, where he and his wife continued to maintain their home until their death. Zalmon Sherwood married Miss Ellen Sherwood, who likewise was born in Vermont, and who was a representative of the same family line as was her husband. On the paternal side Doctor Sherwood is of the fourth generation in direct descent from Colonel Alexander Harper, who served as a gallant officer in the war of the Revolution and who became a pioneer settler in the Western Reserve of Ohio, he having made the journey from Vermont with an ox cart and having arrived at his destination in June, his death occurring in the following September and he having been the first white man to be buried within the confines of historic old Western Reserve. His remains rest in the old-time burying plot at Unionville, Ashtabula County. The Sherwood family was founded in Vermont in the Colonial period of our national history, and the ancestral line traces back to sterling English origin.

In the high school at Madison, Lake County, Ohio, the school in which his mother had been a member of the first graduating class, Dr. Zalmon O. Sherwood was graduated as a member of the class of 1903. About one year later he entered Adelbert College, and from this institution he received in 1908 his degree of Bachelor of Arts. In preparation for his chosen profession he then entered the Medical School of Western Reserve University, and in the same he was graduated as a member of the class of 1911, he having there become affiliated with the Nu Sigma Nu medical college fraternity. In 1910-11, before his graduation, Doctor Sherwood had given a period of service as an interne in St. Alexis Hospital at Cleveland, where he gained valuable clinical experience. In 1911-12 he was acting assistant surgeon in the United States Marine Hospital at Cleveland, and thus he gained further practical experience after receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine and before initiating the private practice of his profession. Upon severing his connection with the Marine Hospital Doctor Sherwood established his residence and professional headquarters at Geneva, which has since continued the central stage of his successful service as a skilled physician and surgeon, except for his interval of patriotic interposition in the nation's service in the World war period. In 1914, without solicitation or desire on his part, he was elected coroner of Ashtabula County, an office which he immediately resigned, owing to the exactions of his rapidly expanding private practice. The Doctor is a loyal and popular member of the Ashtabula County Medical Society, besides being identified with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is a republican in political allegiance, and in the Masonic fraternity his affiliations are with Geneva Lodge No. 334, Free and Accepted Masons; Geneva Chapter No. 147, Royal Arch Masons; and Painesville Council, Royal and Select Masters. At the judicial center of his home county the Doctor holds membership in Ashta-



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In May, 1917, only a few months after America entered the World war, Doctor Sherwood enlisted for service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army. He was stationed three months at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, thereafter passed six weeks in service at Oklahoma City, Okalahoma, whence he was transferred to Hattiesburg, Mississippi, where he remained from January to March, 1918. His final service was at Camp Beauregard, Alexandria, Louisiana, where he remained until December 1, 1918, when he received his honorable discharge, with the rank of captain.

In addition to his attractive home property, at 51 S. Broadway, Geneva, Doctor Sherwood owns a farm near Madison, Lake County, and a summer cottage at Geneva-on-the-Lake, and an attractive property at the corner of Walnut and Grant streets.

June 21, 1915, at Sharon, Pennsylvania, Doctor Sherwood wedded Miss Della G. Owen, daughter of James D. and Elizabeth (Jones) Owen, the former of whom has been a successful coal-mine owner and operator, with mines in Carroll County, Ohio. His death occurred at Cleveland, this state, and his widow is now a resident of Canton, Ohio. Mrs. Sherwood was graduated from the Cleveland Kindergarten Training School, and for four years prior to her marriage had been a popular teacher in the schools at Geneva. Doctor and Mrs. Sherwood have two children: Elizabeth Ann was born at Alexandria, Louisiana, November 21, 1918, and Zalmon O., Jr., was born at Geneva, Ohio, May 13, 1922.

Gen. Perry L. Null, commander of the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Sandusky, is one of the veterans of the Spanish-American war, and a man whose loyalty and patriotism have been proven in times of peace as they were when this country was at war. He was born at Genoa, Ohio, December 29, 1877, a son of Levi and Emeline (Showwalter) Null, natives of Ohio, farming people, both of whom are now deceased.

Trained for the work of a school-teacher in the public schools, and in the Angola, Indiana Normal School, when he was only eighteen years old, Perry L. Null secured his teacher's license and commenced teaching. His peaceful occupation, however, was broken in upon by the declaration of war with Spain, and in April, 1898, he enlisted in the One Hundred and Fifty-seventh Indiana Infantry as a private. His military training was given him at Camp Mount, Indiana, and Chickamauga, Tennessee. Subsequently he was sent to Tampa, Florida, and after three months at that port he was transferred to Fernandina, Florida, and he received his honorable discharge from the service in November, 1898, and returned to his school-teaching.

The schoolroom, however, could not hold the returned soldier, and he went on the road as a traveling salesman for Arbuckle's sugar and coffee, continuing this work for eight years. It was at the termination of this period that he began his connection with the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Sandusky, when he contracted to supply the home with vegetables, and conducted his own market garden. From then on he has been associated with the home, and November 1, 1921, was appointed commander of the home with the rank of brigadier general.

General Null married in February, 1909, Dorothy Sturzinger, a daughter of Gottlieb C. and Dorothy Sturzinger, natives of Germany, both of whom are deceased. General and Mrs. Null have two children, Virginia Alice and Doris Kathryn. General Null belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a republican. High in Masonry, he has been advanced through the thirty-second degree in the Consistory, Scottish Rite, and belongs to the Shrine at Toledo. He is also a member of Sandusky Lodge Number 285, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is commissioner of the Boy Scouts of America, Northern Ohio District.

Joseph Addison Okey. The name Okey has been a familiar one at the bar of Noble County more than seventy years, and many of the best honors of the profession have gone to the late William C. Okey or his son, Joseph A. Okey.

The Okey family has been in Ohio since 1801, before the state was carved from Northwest Territory. James Okey, grandfather of Joseph A. Okey, served as a magistrate for twenty-one years in Noble County, and was also in the Ohio Legislature for two terms.

The late William Crawford Okey, who was born August 24, 1828, studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1851. He first practiced at Sarahsville, then the county seat, and was clerk of court from 1855 to 1858. With the removal of the county seat to Caldwell in 1858 he transferred his residence to that point and then resumed law practice. Soon after the Civil war broke out he raised Company E of the Ninety-second Ohio Infantry, and went to the front with the rank of first lieutenant. He was in the service until disabled and discharged in 1863. He then resumed his law practice at Caldwell, and from 1866 to 1882 was a member of the firm Okey and Belford. Following that he practiced alone, and finally was associated with his son, Joseph A., until he retired. He died in 1910. William C. Okey was a bank director, was a leader in all civic movements, was active in democratic politics and a member of the Baptist Church and the Masonic fraternity.

William C. Okey married Ruth Caldwell. She died in 1905, aged seventy-five. Her grandfather, Robert Caldwell, was a soldier in the American Revolution, and was a pioneer in Southeastern Ohio, living for a few years in Washington County and in 1809 came to Noble County and entered the first lands in Olive Township. Joseph Caldwell, father of Mrs. William C. Okey, owned lands on which part of the Town of Caldwell was built.

Joseph Addison Okey was born at Caldwell, January 9, 1861. He was educated in the public schools there, graduated Bachelor of Arts from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1885, then studied law with his father. He graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree from the Cincinnati Law College in 1887. Following that he was associated in practice with his father, and from 1905 to 1913 was with Lewis B. Frazier. Since 1913 he has practiced alone. For over thirty years he has stood with the leaders in volume of practice and individual abilities at the Noble County bar. He served as a member of the Fourth Ohio Constitutional Convention in 1912, and has taken a leading part in democratic politics, being a member of the State Central Committee in 1896 and again in 1920, and has been chairman of the County Central and County Executives committees. During the World war he was a member of the Southern Ohio District Draft Board No. 1 and was chairman of the fifth Victory loan drive. Outside of his professional work he is attached to home, and gets recreation from his work with poultry and flowers and in hunting. He is a deacon in the Baptist Church, and from 1913 to 1923 was superintendent of the Sunday school. He is a Lodge and Encampment degree Odd Fellow, being a past noble grand of Olive Lodge No. 259, and has been district deputy grand master and representative to the Grand Lodge.

Mr. Okey married, on August 28, 1889, Laura Collins, who was born at Carlisle in Noble County. Her father the late William W. Collins, was a farmer,

tobacco merchant and prominent business man, and served as county commissioner.

DENNIS T. MURRAY, now a prominent and honored railway official in the City of Youngstown, initiated his career in railway service in the dignified capacity of water boy for a section gang on the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad, and it has been entirely through his own ability and faithful service that he has advanced step by step in the long intervening years and has finally become the incumbent of his present important official position, that of general agent of traffic and transportation for the New York Central lines, with executive headquarters in the City of Youngstown.

Mr. Murray was born in the City of Ripley, New York, November 13, 1854, and is son of Thomas and Teresa (Burke) Murray, who were born in Ireland and whose marriage was solemnized after they had come to the United States, they having been residents of Pennsylvania at the time of their death and the father having been a veteran in railroad service. The early educational advantages of Dennis T. Murray were limited to a somewhat curtailed attendance in the public schools of Erie, Pennsylvania, and there, at the age of twelve years, he found employment as water boy on the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad. Later he became a track laborer, and after four years of service in this capacity he was a switchman one year. His ambition was not one of static order, and, looking to advancement, he learned telegraphy, with characteristic thoroughness, with the result that he became a skilled operator and served as such at different points on the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad, which is now a part of the great New York Central system, with which he is at present associated. After having been thus employed for a period of eight years he served six years as telegraph manager for the Western Union Telegraph Company and Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad, at Erie, Pennsylvania. He next held, for three years, the position of train dispatcher at Buffalo, New York, and he was then advanced to the position of chief train dispatcher for the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern in that city. Seven years later he was promoted to the position of train master of the same railroad on the line between Buffalo and Cleveland, and two years later he was transferred to Youngstown and made superintendent of the division of the New York Central lines south of Ashtabula, Ohio. After eighteen years as division superintendent he was promoted to the position of assistant general superintendent, as well as chairman of the Car Service Committee for all railroads at Youngstown during the war. In 1920 he was appointed to his present office, that of general agent of traffic and transportation for the New York Central lines at Youngstown, besides which he is chairman of the Board of Directors of the Lake Erie & Eastern Railroad, a freight-switching system that is a part of the New York Central lines. He is a member of the Special Committee on Railroad Relations to Legislation Touching the State of Ohio.

Mr. Murray is an active, loyal and valued member of the Youngstown Chamber of Commerce, and is serving (1924) as a member of its diversified industrial committee. He is independent in politics, and while never ambitious for public office he served two years as president of the Select Council of the City of Erie, Pennsylvania. He is affiliated with Youngstown Lodge No. 55, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Youngstown Council No. 455, Knights of Columbus, and he and his wife and their son are communicants of St. Edward's Catholic Church.

In the year 1883 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Murray and Miss Nellie F. Hannon, who was born and reared at Erie, Pennsylvania, and who is a daughter of William and Mary Hannon, the former of whom was born in Ireland and the latter in Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Murray became the parents of two children, of whom the first, Florence, died at the age of eight years. The son, Philip B., is now engaged in the oil business in Youngstown.

EDWARD E. SHAFER, of Nelsonville, comes of a family of men with a natural genius for business in mercantile lines. Mr. Shafer is a member of the C. D. Shafer Company, wholesale grocers, operating two houses, one at Nelsonville and one at Athens. Edward E. Shafer has charge of the Nelsonville business, where the firm started many years ago.

Mr. Shafer was born at Beaumont in Athens County, March 18, 1872, son of George Van Sickle and Margaret (Shoemaker) Shafer. His father was born near Trenton, New Jersey, in February, 1839, son of David and Margaret (Ciders) Shafer. David Shafer was the son of a soldier in the War of 1812. When George Shafer was a boy his father, David, and the latter's brother-in-law, Wesley Ciders, brought their families to Ohio. They had a two-horse team and vehicle and one horse hitched to a lighter vehicle, and they traveled over the old national highway. George was permitted to ride half of each day, and the rest of the time he walked. On reaching Athens County they evaded Nelsonville, which was considered a dangerous place, and drove through Coe Hollow to their destination. Their settlement was on land near the present site of Chauncey, and the family attended the Old Factory Union Church.

George V. Shafer as a youth was made a permanent cripple by inflammatory rheumatism. For three years he worked in the David Zenner store at Athens. David Zenner was one of the old-time business men who bought and sold everything. Afterwards George V. Shafer had a little store at Beaumont, and in 1879 moved to Nelsonville and opened his modest shop in a room 8x10 feet on Washington Street. Later he opened a store on the square, and about 1883 built a storeroom and home on Fayette Street. He continued active in business there uutil his death in June, 1911. His wife, Margaret Shoemaker, was born near Jerseyville, daughter of Jacob and Rebecca Shoemaker, the Shoemakers being also New Jersey people. Margaret Shoemaker was eleven years younger than George V. Shafer. The Shafer family were visitors at the Shoemaker home when Margaret was an infant, and the youthful George was then informed that the baby girl was his little wife. She died in 1919. George Shafer was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Of the twelve children in the family the oldest and youngest died in infancy, and the other ten are still living: Edward E.; Eva, widow of George Silcott, of Columbus, Ohio; Lou, at the old home; H. W., who conducted a store at the old home; Dow F., a coal operator living in Columbus; Clint D., whose business career is sketched elsewhere; Mabel, at the old home; Eugene, in the retail coal business in Columbus; Donald, who conducts a cigar and news stand at Nelsonville; and Cecil, owner of a confectionery store in Nelsonville.

The oldest son, Edward E. Shafer, began assisting his father in the business at the age of fifteen. He attended the public schools of Nelsonville, and as a youth he made regular trips, rain or shine, with the huckster wagon for ten years, his territory being through Buchtel, Orbitson, Jobs and other places. When he was thirty years old he opened a coal mine at Floodwood, and operated it eight years, and then sold out to the New York Coal Company and remained in charge of the mine as its manager for six years longer. For a period of four years he operated a

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dairy farm at Coe Hollow, and then became associated with his brother C. D. in the wholesale grocery business. For several years he was a traveling salesman of the firm, calling on the trade every week. In October, 1922, they took over the Stedman Wholesale Grocery Store at Athens, and his brother Clint then took active charge of the Athens department of the business, while Edward E. remains in charge of the Nelsonville store.

Mr. Shafer is also secretary-treasurer of the Tipton-Shafer Land Company, of Hawks, Vinton County, is secretary-treasurer of the Shafer Coal Company, and secretary-treasurer of the Carbondale Oil and Gas Company, of Hocking County. He is a democrat in politics and a member of the Masonic Order.

In 1896 Mr. Shafer married Miss Lydia Warehein, daughter of Jacob Warehein, of Athens County. They have one daughter, Hazel, who married Edward Kitzenbach. Mr. Kitzenbach is a mining man living at Nelsonville and is associated with Edward E. Shafer in the ownership of the local theatre.

William T. Bean. One of the oldest and most prominent families in Athens County is that of Bean. William T. Bean, of the third generation, has been a competent business man for many years. He assisted in organizing the Citizens Central Bank of Nelsonville, and has been its cashier from the beginning. His father, O. W. Bean, was president of that bank up to the time of his death.

Mr. Bean was born at the end of the bridge two miles east of Nelsonville, at his father's farm known as the Monday Creek Farm. This place was hewn out of the wilderness of heavy timber by his grandfather, William Bean, from the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. He bought land here, paying at the rate of 50 cents an acre for that on the hills and $1.00 an acre for that in the valley. He cleared the place and erected a log cabin, and to this introduced his young bride, whom he had married in Virginia. They were active Methodists, and when they went to church he carried a rifle for protection. William Bean died in middle age.

Oliver W. Bean, his son, was also born on the Monday Creek Farm, in 1841, and he kept the old homestead. O. W. Bean had a brother, Martin, who lived at Albany in Athens County, and who died at the age of seventy. He also had a sister, Mary, who became the wife of Joshua Jackson, a farm owner on Monday Creek, four miles north of Nelsonville. O. W. Bean during his youth suffered the accidental loss of an eye, and consequently was ineligible for service as a soldier in the Civil war. As a young man he began trading in live stock, and that was his business for a long period of years. He shipped cattle to market and also bought live stock and carried on an extensive business. Later he bought and sold coal lands. Public spirit and generosity were among his strong characteristics, and he helped many a poor man to own a home. A republican, he voted for those he considered best fitted for office. O. W. Bean, who died in 1914, first married Mary Jane Jones, of an old family of the Sunday Creek Valley. She died in 1869, when her son William T. was three years old. The second wife of O. W. Bean was Lizzie Courtney, who was born near Athens, and died in 1918. By the first marriage there were five children, namely: Ida, of Nelsonville, widow of Robert E. Jewett; Esther, wife of W. W. Young, of Nelsonville; Elizabeth, who is the wife of Ed. H. Davis and lives on a farm near Nelsonville; Stanley I., who was a coal operator and died at Nelsonville in 1890.

William T. Bean, who finished his education in the Nelsonville High School at the age of nineteen, had much to do with the work of the home farm while growing up. When he left home he became an employe of the East Clayton Clay Manufacturing Company near Nelsonville, being bookkeeper and store manager, and subsequently was store manager for the Maple Hill Coal Company. He had his office at Nelsonville. He resigned from the coal company to help establish the Citizens Central Bank, and with him as cashier this institution has steadily grown and prospered and is one of the strong banks of Athens County.

In 1900 he married Miss Mary Washburne, daughter of Charles E. Washburne, of Nelsonville. Mr. Bean is a liberal democrat in politics. Like his father he is a good judge of men, and has found pleasure in helping his neighbors and friends, and many go to him for business advice.

Lloyd Gerhardt Ditzler has had a very progressive business career, formerly was in the railroad service, and for over ten years has been at Woodsfield, Ohio, identified with one of the leading oil companies in the Middle West.

Mr. Ditzler was born at Taneytown in Carroll County, Maryland, November 1, 1886, son of Rev. Henry and Lillie (Wehler) Ditzler. His mother now lives at Ruffs Dale, Pennsylvania. Rev. Henry Ditzler, who died at the age of sixty-five, was born in Pennsylvania, was educated at Lancaster, taught school, and as a young man entered the ministry of the Reformed Church. In the course of his active career he held pastorates at Taneytown, Maryland, Mount Jackson, Virginia, and Ruffs Dale, Pennsylvania.

Lloyd Gerhardt Ditzler was the second of three children, and acquired his early education in the schools at Mount Jackson, Virginia. When fifteen years old he learned telegraphy, and during the next nine years was employed as a telegraph operator by the Baltimore and Ohio and Pennsylvania railway companies. He left railroading to become clerk in the shipping department of the H. C. Frick Coal Company, and then for a short time was with the Standard Oil Company in the Pittsburgh office.

On March 4, 1913, he came to Woodsfield, Ohio, as purchasing agent for the Pure Oil Company, and still performs those responsibilities. At Woodsfield Mr. Ditzler has also taken an active part in civic affairs. He is chairman of the Monroe County Republican Executive Committee, a member of the Kiwanis Club, and has membership in the Reformed Church, although there is no church of that denomination at Woodsfield. Perhaps his greatest hobby and subject of study is Masonry, and he is very prominent in the order. He was master of Woodsfield Lodge No. 189, Free and Accepted Masons, in 1919, served as district lecturer in the Eighteenth Masonic District in 1920-21, and in 1923 was again chosen master of Woodsfield Lodge. He is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter and Council at Barnesville, and at Columbus has affiliation with Scioto Consistory of the Scottish Rite and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Ditzler married, January 29, 1913, Matilda Datz, who was born and reared in Pittsburgh. Her father, Jacob Datz, was a professor of music.

Albert C. Close, with offices in the Ritter Building at Sandusky, Ohio, has been so closely identified with the official affairs and business life of Erie County for the last thirty years that perhaps there is no better known citizen of the state.

He was born at Sandusky on February 4, 1876, son of John Henry and Louisa (Erckman) Close. His parents were both born in Germany, and his grandfathers, Jacob Close and Jacob Erckman, were early settlers in Sandusky. John Henry Close was a foundryman by occupation, and died in 1899, his wife passing away in 1896.

Albert C. Close was reared in Sandusky, attended the public schools there until the age of eighteen, and soon afterward began what was destined to be one of the longest periods of public service in county annals. For twelve years he served in the various offices of the Erie County Court House, finally resigning his position as deputy sheriff to take over the general insurance agency of H. F. Spencer, thus becoming proprietor of what is the oldest insurance agency at Sandusky. The broad training and experience he gained while serving the public gave him such a thorough and comprehensive knowledge of county affairs that many prominent men have paid him the tribute of being "the best versed man in public affairs of Erie County."

In addition to his insurance business he has been an active real estate broker and promoter, and has been very influential in the development and progressive growth of real estate values in his home town and county. His inherent real estate instinct and complete understanding of real estate conditions have made him an invaluable asset to his community and won for him a preeminent place among real estate men of the state. His office handles abstracts of title and financing of loans, in connection with its real estate enterprises.

Mr. Close married, October 28, 1902, Miss Walla Young, daughter of Judge Stephen M. and Belle (Wagner) Young, of Norwalk, Ohio. They have three children: Albert Stephen, a student at the University of Pennsylvania; Isabelle W. and Robert John.

Mr. Close is a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church of Sandusky, Ohio. He has served on the board of elections and has also acted in the capacity of chairman and secretary of the city and county central republican committees for a number of years, and at the time of the candidacy of Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency, on the progressive ticket, served as county chairman, being instrumental in piling up a huge vote for that party.

Since 1907 he has been keeper of records and seals of the local Knights of Pythias Lodge and has actively entered into the Grand Lodge work of that lodge in the state.

In Masonry he is affiliated with the Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council, Knights Templar Commandery and the Shrine.

He is a member of the Sunyendeand Club, Chamber of Commerce, Sandusky Yacht Club, Plum Brook Country Club, and is a charter member and director of the Sandusky Rotary Club.

Hon. Edmund B. King. Both as jurist and lawyer, Hon. Edmund B. King has distinguished himself, and is recognized as one of the leading and most representative men of Sandusky and Erie County. Many honors of a professional and private character have been bestowed upon him, but he has always proven able to cope with added responsibilities, and today the firm of which he is the dignified senior is one of the strongest in Ohio. Judge King was born at Medina, Ohio, July 4, 1850, a son of Cyrus and Harriet (Bennett) King, he born at Pompey, Onondaga County, New York, and she at Wadsworth, Medina County, Ohio. The paternal grandparents, Joel King and his wife, were born in Rhode Island, while the maternal grandfather, Timothy Bennett, was born in Medina County, Ohio, and all were farming people. Cyrus King was a farmer and carpenter and builder. When he was of age he came to Wadsworth, Ohio, worked at his trade, and there was married in 1849. For a number of years he was engaged in farming, and after his retirement he lived at Medina, where his death occurred March 29, 1903. The mother of Judge King died in 1852, and the father later married Clymina Porter, who is also deceased.

Judge King attended the local schools and Medina Academy and Oberlin Academy, the latter now Baldwin-Wallace University. When only twenty years old he commenced the study of law in the office of Wickham & Wildman at Norwalk, Ohio, and he was admitted to the bar in August, 1873. In October of that year he was elected prosecuting attorney of Medina County. In 1875 he came to Sandusky and became associated in private practice in partnership with Mr. Bowen, under the firm name of Bowen & King, and then he and E. M. Culver formed the firm of Culver & King, and this association was maintained for eight years. Upon its dissolution the firm became King & Hull, but with Judge King's elevation to the circuit bench, three years later, the partnership was terminated by mutual consent. During the five years he was on the bench Judge King served with dignified capability, and then, resigning, resumed his private practice, first under the firm name of King & Guerin. Four years later the name was changed to King & Ramsey, and still later J. F. Flynn and Joseph G. Pyle were taken into partnership. Offices are maintained in the Masonic Temple, and a very large practice is carried on, a number of very important cases being handled by this firm annually. Judge King has also rendered additional public service as a member of the city council for four years, being elected to that office on the republican ticket. In 1888 he had the distinction of being one of the presidential electors in the college which elected Benjamin Harrison president of the United States. He also served as a member of the Fourth Constitutional Convention of Ohio, held in 1912. Judge King has attained to the highest honors in Masonry, as the thirty-third degree, Scottish Rite, has been conferred upon him. He has held all of the offices in the blue lodge, chapter and commandery at Sandusky, and is past grand commander of the State of Ohio, and also belongs to Al Koran Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Cleveland, Ohio, and the consistory at Toledo, Ohio. His fraternal affiliations are not confined to the Masonic order, however, as he also is a member of the Knights of Pythias, of which he is past chancellor commander, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is president (1924) of the Plum Brook Country Club, of the Kiwanis Club and the Sandusky Community Fund. Originating the Erie County Chapter of the Red Cross, he has served it as president since 1917. In fact it would be difficult to mention any worthy or public-spirited project with which he is not now, or has been in the past, a moving factor, for he possesses a strong sense of personal responsibility, and believes it his duty to do all that lies in his power to assist in advancing the community welfare, and raising the standard of morals of its people.

On February 26, 1874, at Milan, Ohio, Judge King married Miss Emma E. Hackett, born at Norwalk, Ohio. Judge and Mrs. King became the parents of the following children: Cora, who married Thadeus Graves, has three children: Elizabeth, who is residing with her grandfather, and Edmund and Janet, both of whom are students; Capt. Clifford M., who died at Cleveland, Ohio, January 2, 1922, leaving a widow, but no children. By profession he was a civil engineer, and served as city engineer of Sandusky for three years, and as surveyor of Erie County for two years. When war broke out between this country and Spain, in 1898, he enlisted and served throughout the Spanish-American war, with the rank of sergeant. During the World war he commanded a company, and was in France for a year. The death of this brilliant man and brave

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soldier occasioned deep regret to those who appreciated his worth and the sacrifices he had made for his country.

W. B. Golden has rounded out forty years of active and continuous connection with the Bank of Athens, one of the oldest and most substantial financial institutions in the southern part of the state. He is vice president of the bank, and has held almost every possible position in its service.

Mr. Golden was born at Athens, December 10, 1857. His grandparents were William and Jane (Crossen) Golden. William Golden was a native of Ireland, and on coming to America settled in Pennsylvania, and then moved to Ohio. He was a plasterer by trade, but for many years operated a farm in Athens County. He became a man of distinction here, serving as sheriff of the county and later as mayor of Athens. He was an active democrat. He died in 1888, at the age of eighty-eight years, having survived his wife. Three of their sons were in the Union army, and all of them attained commissions as officers. Columbus Golden was killed in battle in Missouri, and the Grand Army post at Athens is named in his honor. The son John, who lived in Meigs County, Ohio, was in the infantry branch of the service. These two sons remained faithful to their father's example in political allegiance and always voted as democrats.

Maj. Elmer Golden was the first member of the family to become a republican. He was born in Alexander Township of Athens County, in 1835, was educated in the local schools, including Ohio University, and before the war was in business as a merchant at Athens, associated with David Zenner. When the war came on he organized Company A of the Ninety-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was with that regiment throughout the struggle. He was promoted to the rank of major. He was in the battles of Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain and many other sanguinary engagements. For a brief time after the war he was in business in Cincinnati, after which he was a hardware merchant in Jackson, Ohio, until 1868, and then removed to Kansas and became a hardware merchant in the pioneer town of Garnett. In 1874 he left Kansas and returning to Athens operated a hotel, was a grocery merchant and for nine years held the office of county recorder. The death of Maj. Elmer Golden occurred in 1914. His first wife, Mary Parker Cooley, died in 1862. In 1866 he married Hattie Butin, daughter of Jacob Butin. She now lives at Logan, Ohio. Maj. Elmer Golden's two children were by his first marriage.

W. B. Holden, whose sister is Bessie G. Cable, was only five years old when his mother died. He began his education in Athens, later attended school at Jackson, Ohio, and also in Kansas, and after his father returned to Ohio he was a student in Ohio University. He also helped his father in the hotel, and in 1880 became an employe of the establishment of F. C. Stedman Company.

It was on August 28, 1882, that Mr. Golden went on the pay roll of the Bank of Athens. At first he was a utility man, sweeping out and making the fires in addition to various clerical duties. Since then he has filled such offices as bookkeeper, assistant cashier, cashier, and vice president. The Bank of Athens has been operated as a national bank since 1909, but it still retains the old name, which is the object of so much confidence on the part of its patrons. Mr. Golden is also a director of the Security Savings Bank of Athens. He held the office of city clerk fourteen years, and is now a member of the sinking fund board. He is a Master Mason and Elk, and a member of the Country Club, his favorite recreation being golf.

In 1887 Mr. Golden married Miss Cora A. Port, of Athens. They were ideally mated and have many things in common, and they exemplified the wise rule to retain the spirit of youth by constantly mingling with the young. Their home for years was a place of entertainment for students of Ohio University. Mr. Golden had the great misfortune to lose his wife by death in 1913.

Their only son is James Brown Golden, now a captain in the Sixth Field Artillery in the United States Army, stationed at Camp Hoyle, Maryland. Captain Golden was educated in Ohio University and in other schools, and for nine years was in the oil production industry in Oklahoma and other points in the Southwest. He entered the First Officers' Training Camp at Fort Leavenworth, was commissioned a second lieutenant, and was in training at many points over the country and abroad, and in various branches of the service. He spent two years overseas. While on the battle line at Chateau-Thierry he was promoted to the rank of captain. At the signing of the armistice he was on the staff of General Malone. After his return to the United States he attended and graduated from the Infantry School at Camp Benning, and subsequently the School of Fire at Fort Sill. Captain Golden married Elizabeth Nuttman, the daughter of Col. Louis M. Nuttman, chief of staff of the Second Division at San Antonio, Texas.

William C. Brown, of Steubenville, who served two terms as prosecuting attorney of Jefferson County, has the respect and regard of his profession, and is not only a very able lawyer but a high minded citizen.

He was born in Toronto, Canada, February 15, 1877, son of Benjamin J. and Margaret (Bell) Brown, while his grandparents were William and Elizabeth Brown, and Samuel McClure and Isabell Craig. The paternal grandparents came from England and settled in Ontario, Canada, about 1834. The maternal grandfather, Samuel McClure, was born in Ireland, while his wife represented the old Craig family of Revolutionary stock. Benjamin J. Brown was a Presbyterian minister, and in 1883 moved to Bluffton, Ohio, and for nearly a quarter of a century held pastorates in Ohio. He died in 1908 and his wife in 1921. They had three children: Rev. S. T., who married Nell Herron, and had two children, John and Margaret; William C.; and John C., who married Ethel Hinds.

William C. Brown was about six years old when the family came to the United States. He acquired his first educational advantages in a private school, attended Wooster College, where he graduated in 1899, and subsequently entered the Ohio State University Law School. He was graduated and admitted to the bar in 1902, and since that year has been engaged in practice at Steubenville. In 1912 he was elected prosecuting attorney, serving two terms, until 1917. He handled many important cases while in office, and in all court work has attracted attention by the clear and lucid exposition of his side of the cause. Besides his law practice he gives much time to the affairs of the Ohio Valley Savings & Loan Company, of which he was one of the organizers and is a director and attorney of the company. He is heavily interested in the Schenly Park Land Company of Steubenville, Ohio, which has handled the financial side of real estate developments of several cities, including Steubenville and Youngstown. Mr. Brown has been active in the republican party, serving as a member of the County

Central Committee. He belongs to the County Bar Association, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

Mr. Brown married, June 21, 1906, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Miss Catherine Silvey, daughter of George W. and Sarah (Hunter) Silvey. Her mother died in 1878 and her father in November, 1923. He was a Civil war veteran, a capitalist and financier. The only two children of Mr. and Mrs. Silvey were Mrs. Brown and George W. The latter died unmarried, and Mrs. Brown passed away December 6, 1921. Her two children died in early childhood.

ARTHUR L. PRITCHARD, M. D. Graduated in medicine nearly forty years ago, Doctor Pritchard has had an interesting routine of service and experience in his profession, largely in mining communities of Southern Ohio. For over a quarter of a century his home has been at Nelsonville in Athens County.

Doctor Pritchard was born at West Milford, Harrison County, West Virginia, October 11, 1864, son of T. F. and Helen (Ramage) Pritchard. His grandfather, Maj. Jacob Pritchard, was an officer in the Confederate army during the Civil war. T. F. Pritchard moved with his family to Nelsonville, Ohio, in 1877. For many years he was a merchant, and for twenty-five years has been an employe of the Hocking Valley Railroad Company and lives at Columbus. He is eighty-one years of age. He is a democrat and a member of the Knights of Pythias. His wife died September 30, 1920, at the age of seventy-seven. She was a devout Presbyterian. Of the nine children born to their marriage five are now living: Doctor Arthur; Mrs. William Michaels, wife of the chief engineer of the Hocking Valley Railroad, living at Columbus; Mrs. Oscar Meise, wife of a dentist at Columbus; James M., with the Universal Body Company, an auto top manufacturing concern at Columbus, and Mrs. George W. Smith, wife of an employe of the Toledo & Ohio Central Railway Company at Bucyrus.

Arthur L. Pritchard was thirteen years old when brought to Ohio. He acquired his early education in West Virginia, and in 1883 graduated from the Nelsonville High School. In the meantime he had been making good use of his time and abilities working for his father in the store during vacations. After high school he entered the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati, and was graduated with the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1886. He then located at Buchtel, which was then the liveliest mining town in Ohio. He had a practice that tested every degree of skill in medicine and surgery. After ten years he returned to Nelsonville, in 1896, and has continued his profession here with honor and distinction. For several years after he began practice he visited his patients on horseback. Following that came a period when he drove a buggy. Since then he has depended upon the car. Doctor Pritchard has kept himself physically fit by regular routine and temperate habits, and is a man of keen interest in things outside his immediate work.

He is active in the Methodist Church, is a Sunday school worker and is an officer in the Sunday school class No. 24. He is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a Shriner and a member of the Grotto, and also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he is a democrat, and has served on the executive committee of his county and district and did much to build up the support to help elect Governor Campbell a number of years ago. He is a member and has served as president of the Athens County Medical Society and is a member of the Ohio State Medical Association.

In 1888 Doctor Pritchard married Miss Cynthia E. Ferguson, daughter of John Ferguson, of South Point, Ohio. They have an adopted daughter, Mary, who is now twelve years old.

BENJAMIN D. LECKLIDER, president of the Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, had many years of successful business as an underwriter and salesman.

Shortly after the close of the World war B. D. Lecklider and Howard Sloneker, of Hamilton, Ohio, organized the Ohio Casualty Insurance Company. The original incorporators were S. D. Fitton, Chas. Sohngen, S. M. Goodman, Howard Sloneker and B. D. Lecklider. The company gives unique service to its policy holders in that it is one of the few companies that combine a variety of coverages in one policy. The charter is as broad as could be made under the laws of Ohio, and grants the company the privilege of writing all classes of casualty business. The present officers of the company are: B. D. Lecklider, president; Chas. Sohngen, vice president; Howard Sloneker, secretary; Martin J. Wys, assistant secretary; S. M. Goodman, treasurer; Alberta M. Huesman, assistant treasurer, and D. W. Fitton, chairman of finance committee.

B. D. Lecklider was born September 4, 1866. He is a member of an old and prominent family of Western Ohio. His father, William C. Lecklider, was a farmer near Greenville, Ohio. B. D. Lecklider was educated in the public schools of Greenville and the Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio, and for seven years devoted most of his time to teaching while he studied law. He, however, never entered the practice of law. He was for a number of years attorney and collected for the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company of Chicago, resigning that position and entering the insurance business as an agent of the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, and was afterwards appointed general agent of the company for the counties of Butler and Warren, with offices at Hamilton, Ohio. At the beginning of the World war he abandoned the writing of insurance, and after one year spent in the service of the Government in campaign work throughout Southern Ohio, he decided to enlist in the war work. With that object in view he disposed of his real estate and insurance business, and in August, 1918, was accepted for overseas service as divisional business secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association war council. He was assigned to duty in the Pyrenees Leave Area Division, one of the largest leave areas in France, with headquarters at Pau. Mr. Lecklider is a Mason, Odd Fellow, a member of the Reformed Church, the Hamilton Club, Butler County Country Club, and a director of the local chapter of the Red Cross.

In 1890 he married Lillie B. Reck, daughter of Elias O. Reck. She is an active member of the Church of God.

HOWARD SLONEKER, who has been in the insurance business since leaving college except for the time he spent with the colors during the World war, is secretary of the Ohio Casualty Insurance Company of Hamilton.

Mr. Sloneker was born April 19, 1890, son of Joseph W. Sloneker, of Hamilton, and member of an old and prominent family of that section of Butler County. Howard Sloneker was educated in the Hamilton High School, and in the University of Michigan, where he was a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity. He was in the general insurance business after leaving university until 1916. On March 30, 1918, he was inducted into the army as a private in infantry, and in July was sent to training at Camp Sherman and then transferred to the Officers' Train-

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ing Camp at Petersburg, Virginia, where he was on duty until the close of the war.

In 1919 Mr. Sloneker and Benjamin D. Lecklider organized the Ohio Casualty Insurance Company of Hamilton. He has served as secretary of the company from the start, and has had an active part in its notable service. This is one of the leading companies in the field specializing in automobile insurance, and writing all forms of risks in a single policy.

Mr. Sloneker is a member of the Hamilton Club and the Butler County Country Club. On March 23, 1918, he married Miss Emma W. Goodman, of Hamilton. Her father, Samuel Goodman, is president of the Valley Mortgage Company, and is treasurer of the Ohio Casualty Insurance Company of Hamilton. Mrs. Sloneker finished her high school education at Hamilton. They have three children: Howard, born March 12, 1919; John, born December 27, 1921, and Sarah, born February 14, 1923.

J. Spencer Singleton. One of Ohio's educators whose work has been attended with achievements of a distinctive character is J. Spencer Singleton, supervising principal of the south district at Middletown.

Mr. Singleton was born at Cold Spring, Kentucky, September 28, 1888, son of John H. and Susie (Mell) Singleton, of Cold Spring. His education, thoroughly liberal, has come from many schools, much of it in the intervals of his own experience as a teacher and educator. He attended grammar and high school at Newport, Kentucky, took the academic course in Union College at Barboursville, Kentucky, where he graduated in 1908, and in 1909 he received a diploma from the National Normal University of Lebanon, Ohio. Ten years later, in 1919, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Wilmington College at Wilmington, Ohio, and in the same year was granted a life teacher's high school certificate in the State of Ohio and holds a state teacher's life certificate in Kentucky. He also has a certificate in the public speaking course from the department of applied technology of the American Rolling Mill Company, a certificate from the Home Correspondence School in mathematics, and has completed the radio course with the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pennsylvania. He also has a teacher's diploma from the Palmer School of Penmanship, Boston, Massachusetts, and has done extensive work with Miami University in measurement of intelligence and psychology. Mr. Singleton is now a registered student in the Graduate School of Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and will continue as such until he receives his degree as Doctor of Philosophy. His service as a school man includes the following important positions: Principal of Campbell Avenue Public School at Portsmouth, Ohio, two years; six years as superintendent of schools at Uniontown, Kentucky; one year as superintendent of schools at Augusta, Kentucky; and since 1919 principal of the South Public School at Middletown. Professor Singleton has accomplished some unusual results in organized and group work, and has made some important contributions to school methods in these fields. His school has taken the prize for three consecutive years in the May Day contest for perfect team work. The Ohio State fire marshal has pronounced his school as one of the best trained in fire discipline of any in the state. Mr. Singleton has twenty-four teachers under him and an enrollment of approximately 1,000 pupils. Mr. Singleton is now supervising principal of the whole south district at Middletown, having been promoted in June, 1924.

In 1911 he married Miss Morell Bain, of Lebanon, Ohio, daughter of Hiram and Jennie (Gustin) Bain, of Lebanon. She was educated in the high school of her native city, also the National Normal University there, and has been a successful teacher for a number of years. With her husband she pursued the classical course in Wilmington College, and both graduated in the same class in 1919 with the Bachelor of Arts degree. For a number of years she was a teacher at Lebanon, and for six years has been a teacher in the public schools of Middletown. Mr. and Mrs. Singleton have one daughter, Dorothy Louise, born in 1913.

Frank B. Pauly for ten years has been editor-manager of one of the most remarkably successful newspapers in Ohio, the Middletown Journal. The Journal, published in a city of 25,000, has the standard, performs the essential service and gets results that many newspapers with greater circulation and published in the large cities might well envy. The Journal is the only newspaper of its proportions in a city of Middletown's size with an Associated Press leased wire. About three years ago the Journal came into a home of its own, a handsome two-story tapestry brick building in the center of the civic district of Middletown, a building arranged to facilitate all the mechanical and technical work of a modern newspaper plant, and containing equipment usually found only in the larger or commercial printing establishments.

The Middletown Journal was established as a weekly paper in 1857, and since 1891 has been a daily paper. It is one of the few papers anywhere "published daily except Saturday." The dropping of the Saturday issue has been a bold step that many larger newspapers would like to take.

Frank B. Pauly was born in Warren County, Ohio, April 13, 1887, second of the three sons of Elwood B. and Mary K. (Schwerer) Pauly. His father was a successful merchant at Lebanon, Ohio. Frank B. Pauly is a graduate with the Bachelor of Science degree from the National Normal University at Lebanon, and began his journalistic career in that city when he was nineteen years of age. Subsequently he worked for newspapers at Keokuk and Des Moines, Iowa, and at Dayton, and in 1912 became city editor of the Middletown Journal and since 1914 has been editor-manager.

He was city editor during the great flood of 1913, when most of the newspaper plant was put out of commission by the high waters, but issues and bulletins were printed by emergency equipment, and these issues, supplying information eagerly desired by all the inhabitants of the valley, had much to do with improving the prestige of the Journal in this vicinity. In 1914 the plant was burned, at a total loss, but the Journal did not miss a single issue, though for a time it was published in miniature. The plans to erect a new home were delayed during the World war, but in 1921 the handsome home, briefly described above, was completed at a cost of over $60,000.

The success of the Journal has been due to broad and liberal policy, involving a personnel of energetic news-gatherers, the publication of everything of importance or interest to the community, and a distributing service that places the news columns and market reports of the Journal before the readers over the territory in and around Middletown within a few hours, a fact that has had much to do with the extensive circulation of the Journal throughout the rural districts.

Mr. Pauly was appointed postmaster of Middletown on July 1, 1923. He is a republican, having cast his first presidential vote for William McKinley. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

His younger brother, Karl B. Pauly, graduated with highest honors in the department of journalism at the Ohio State University in 1923, and is now

Sunday editor of the Middletown Journal. The older brother, Fred L., is a business man at Lebanon, Ohio.

JOHN H. BERRY, M. D. Since his graduation from medical college Doctor Berry has found his abilities drawn into the public service rather than in private practice, and he has been identified with several public institutions of Ohio. He is widely known as a specialist in nervous diseases, and is eminently well qualified both professionally and as a business administrator for his duties as superintendent of the State Hospital for the Insane at Athens. He not only has the supervision of the buildings, laboratories and the equipment and personnel in the hospital itself, but also has charge of the 1,000-acre farm which is an adjunct of the hospital. On this farm is the finest dairy herd in the state, and it produces most of the supplies required in the institution.

Doctor Berry graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1910 from the University of Cincinnati. Following that he spent eighteen months as an interne in Christ's Hospital of Cincinnati. He was assistant surgeon of the Ohio Soldiers and Sailors Home from June, 1910, to April, 1911, then of the Longview Hospital for the Insane at Cincinnati for five years, and was then called as assistant physician at the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane at Lima. He was there when the building for the accommodation of this institution was in course of construction, and while the inmates assigned to the institution were being received from other asylums, reformatories and prisons.

Doctor Berry was one of the early volunteers for service during the World war, and on October 10, 1918, was commissioned first lieutenant of the Army Medical Corps. He took intensive training at the Pyschopathic Hospital at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and at the Government Hospital at Washington. He was given leave of absence from his duties at Lima and was in the service until June 3, 1919.

On September 15, 1919, Doctor Berry passed the civil service examination with high honors and was given appointment as superintendent of the State Hospital for Insane at Athens.

Doctor Berry was born on his father's farm at Hillsboro, in Highland County, Ohio, October 21, 1883. His parents, William N. and Nancy K. (Hawk) Berry, were also natives of Highland County. His mother is still living, at the age of sixty-three. His father died in April, 1912, aged sixty-seven. William N. Berry was in his lifetime a very progressive farmer and leader in the affairs of Highland County. He had two brothers who were physicians and one an attorney. William N. Berry served as justice of the peace for thirty years and also as township trustee and on the local school board. He was a democrat and a member of the German Reformed Church. The grandfather of William N. Berry was a native of Baltimore, Maryland, and came to Ohio from Westmoreland County, Virginia, being a pioneer in this state. Doctor Berry is one of a family of six children, and the oldest of the four now living. His brother Thomas B., is teacher of agriculture in the Hillsboro High School, and has charge of the Smith-Hughes vocational training work for Highland County. G. Arthur Berry is farming the old homestead. The daughter, Amy E., is taking the nurses' training course in the Jewish Hospital at Cincinnati.

Doctor Berry grew up on his father's farm in Highland County and attended country schools. He was also educated in the Hillsboro High School, and he taught for one year in Highland County and one year in Clinton County. Following that he entered the medical college of Cincinnati. Doctor Berry is president of the Athens County Medical Society. He is a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations, and the American Psychiatric Society.

On April 29, 1915, he married Miss Chlora Stockwell, daughter of L. C. Stockwell, of Highland County. They grew up in the same community, attended the same country school, and he was her boyhood sweetheart. Doctor Berry as a boy had two ambitions, one to become a physician, and the other to marry the girl who is now his wife. Doctor and Mrs. Berry are members of the Methodist Church. He is a member of Athens lodge of Masons, the Royal Arch and council degrees at Lima, and the Knight Templar commandery. He is also an Elk and Rotarian and a member of the American Legion.

ROBERT H. JACKSON. Through an active career of industry, good judgment and integrity Robert H. Jackson has achieved a position of leadership in the business and industrial affairs of Nelsonville, Athens County. He is president of the Citizens Central Bank of that town, and is also secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Nelsonville Foundry and Machine Company, of which his brother, H. H. Jackson, is president. This important industry was established in 1881. The first president of the company was C. A. Cable, and C. E. Poston was secretary and treasurer, while the first four successive superintendents were: Thomas Knauss, Mr. Schrumm, E. S. Jennings and W. H. McConnell. Located in one of the great mining sections of Ohio, this company specializes in tipple equipment and mine cars, and it produces an impressive annual volume of business, and its pay roll is an important factor in the welfare of the local community.

Mr. Robert H. Jackson was born in York Township of Athens County, January 23, 1867, son of John W. and Kate (White) Jackson. His grandfather was also Robert Jackson, and came from Morgan County to Athens County in 1834, settling in York Township, three miles east of Nelsonville, on Monday Creek. This pioneer died at the age of fifty years. His son, John W. Jackson, fell heir to an interest and afterwards he bought the interests of the other heirs to 235 acres of coal land. He sold this property, and he was well known for his ability in trade. He bought and sold a number of parcels of coal land and achieved much success. He was known for his great liberality and public spirit, and also his physical vigor and strength. He stood six feet two inches high, and carried easily his 200 pounds weight. About 1879 he established a meat market in Nelsonville, and this was continued with the aid of his sons for twelve years. He served a brief time as a soldier in the Union Army, and he was always a contributor to good causes, particularly the support of the Methodist Church and its building at Nelsonville. He was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, served as a township trustee, and at the time of his death was on the board of county commissioners. John W. Jackson, who died in 1900, at the age of seventy-two, married Kate White, who was born at Beaumont in Athens County, her mother being a sister of Hill Foster, Sr. Mrs. Kate White Jackson died in 1910, at the age of seventy-five. She was the mother of three children: Lillie, who died when fourteen years old; H. H. Jackson, who is a farmer just south of Nelsonville, and Robert H.

Robert H. Jackson at Nelsonville secured his education in grade and high schools and finished a course in the Columbus Business College at the age of nineteen. Returning home, he was employed in the store conducted by the firm Slater & Jackson, consisting of Joe Slater and his father, John W. Jackson, at the coal mine, and then became assistant bookkeeper for C. L. Poston, and later for the Ohio Coal

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Company. Following that he was a partner with his father in the grocery business, and in 1891 entered the service of the Nelsonville Foundry and Machine Company as bookkeeper. He has developed increasing interests in this industry, and the business is now owned by the Jackson family as a close corporation.

In 1890 Mr. Jackson married Miss Hattie Cooley, daughter of Frank Cooley, of Nelsonville. They are the parents of four children. Earl C., now in advertising work in New York, was in the air service during the World war, having been trained at the Princeton Flying School, then transferred to a detention camp in Texas, and finally in the Flying School at Americus, Georgia. The second son, Frank R., was overseas in Belgium with the Three Hundred Forty-seventh Machine Gun Battalion of the Ninety-first Division, and was several times wounded. He is now commander of the Nelsonville post of the American Legion and is postmaster of Nelsonville. The third son, John W. II, is a student of metallurgy and mining engineering at Ohio State University. The only daughter, Helen, born in 1911, is attending the local schools. Mrs. Jackson is president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion and recently was elected state treasurer of that organization. Mr. Jackson is affiliated with the Masonic order, as are also his three sons.

William McKenzie was born in Scotland, though he has been a resident of the United States since boyhood. He has some of the staunch Scotch characteristics, and these have stood him in good stead in his rise from humble place to a position among the leading financial and business men of Delaware. Mr. McKenzie has been fortunate in a partnership that has now been in existence for a great many years, an alliance to which he credits the most substantial part of his success. This partner in his affairs has been Mrs. McKenzie, his wife, the mother of his children, his counselor and adviser in business, and the steady source of his inspiration.

Mr. McKenzie was born at Elgin, Scotland, October 7, 1870, and in 1884 came to the United States with his parents, William and Margaret (Samuel) McKenzie, both now deceased. His grandfather was James McKenzie. Mr. William McKenzie has made several trips back to Scotland, and has kept in touch with the family, which is an old and honored one there. His father was a stonecutter and mason. His first home on coming to this country was at Tiffin, Seneca County, Ohio, where he was in charge of the masonry work during the construction of the courthouse. Subsequently for many years he was superintendent of stone work for the Norfolk and Western Railway.

William McKenzie, Jr., acquired all his education in schools in Scotland. While his father had charge of the work at the courthouse at Tiffin he operated the elevator during 1884-85, and that and other experience gave him a practical knowledge of building work. He was in the employ of Mr. Murphy, superintendent of the construction of the street car line at Tiffin. He was delegated with the responsibility of buying horses for this old horse car line. His father had bought a farm ten miles east of Tiffin, and Mr. McKenzie took charge of that and was engaged in farming there during a period of fifteen years. During the first three years he had a contract with the H. France Company, using his three teams to haul lumber from the mill near the farm to Tiffin, ten miles away. In this way Mr. McKenzie became interested in the lumber business, and that has been the main field of his operations for many years. From 1889 to 1893 he was associated with E. P. Ruperd in getting out sucker rods for oil wells, and following that he engaged in the lumber and sucker rod business at West Mansfield. He was there during the hard times following the panic of 1893. In the fall of 1896 Mr. McKenzie removed to Delaware, and in March, 1897, bought a local lumber plant. Since then his business has been steadily growing and expanding. He is a wholesale and retail lumber manufacturer, and has worked up many millions of feet of lumber on the timber lots throughout Central Ohio. He operates saw mills and planing mills as well as several yards. He retained his plant at West Mansfield until it was burned in 1916, and did not deem it profitable to rebuild it.

In the course of years Mr. McKenzie has organized four successful lumber companies, and is the active head of all of them and president of the companies. These are the McKenzie Lumber Company of Delaware, the McKenzie Lumber & Coal Company of Springfield, the largest plant of its kind in that city, the McKenzie Lumber & Timber Company of Waldo, and the McKenzie & Smith Company of Cardington. These companies have a somewhat specialized line. It is their policy to buy farm wood lots, and frequently the entire farm, and after working up the merchantable timber to sell the land. The various companies at the present time own and are working up the timber on more than 800 acres in farms. Mr. McKenzie has the controlling interest in all four companies. The lumber output of the mills runs more than 5,000,000 feet annually, and in addition over 3,000,000 feet are annually sold through the retail yards.

Mr. McKenzie has a number of other active business interests. He owns and controls the Delaware Automatic Incubator, manufacturing one of the most popular incubators on the market. It is manufactured under a patent awarded the invention of Professor Leas a number of years ago. Recently a new plant was erected to handle the business of the incubator company. The secretary of the company is Bruce C. Burgees, son-in-law of Mr. McKenzie. Mr. Burgees is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and for a time was assistant advertising manager for the Goodyear Rubber Company. Mr. McKenzie is also a director in the Deposit Bank of Delaware and the People's Building and Loan Association.

He was happily married, June 27, 1900, to Miss Ratie, whose full name is Rachael Victoria Colbert, daughter of I. C. and Ollie Colbert. Her parents were natives of Ohio, and her father was a carpenter. Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie have a family of six children: Margaret, wife of Bruce C. Burgees; Frances E., a graduate of the Wallace School at Columbus, and now a student in the Ohio State University; Mary Olive, attending the Wallace School; Loyd William, Rachael and Charles Arthur, all in grammar school. The family are members of the William Street Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. McKenzie is a Royal Arch and Knights Templar Mason and Shriner, an Elk, and an active figure in the Chamber of Commerce.

Aaron Esterly for over twenty years has been one of the able attorneys practicing at the Youngstown bar. As an attorney and citizen his reputation for usefulness is recognized all over Mahoning County, and before taking up the profession of law he was well known as a business man.

He was born at Columbiana, Ohio, October 22, 1858, son of Jacob B. and Malinda (Overholt) Esterly, each parent descended from early pioneer settlers. At the age of twenty, after completing the common and high school courses, Aaron Esterly became a school teacher, and after one term in the country districts, taught for two years in the public schools of Columbiana. This experience was followed by his departure from his native community. For

a few months he was timekeeper for a grading contractor at Tama, Iowa, and for eight months was in similar service for another contractor in Upper Michigan. Then, on his return to Columbiana, he conducted a merchandise business for four years, and for five years following was bookkeeper for his uncle in a Columbiana bank. This occupation he left to become secretary and general manager of the Columbiana Pump Company. In 1896, at the death of his uncle, Jonathan Esterly, Mr. Esterly was appointed receiver of the bank and served for eight years, the time required to close up the affairs of the bank. Meanwhile he used his opportunities to study law under the direction of H. G. Bye, and in April, 1902, came to Youngstown. In June of that year he was admitted to the bar, and has since been engaged in a general practice.

In 1884 Mr. Esterly married Adella H. Bomesberger, who was born in Beaver Township, Mahoning County, daughter of Abram and Susan (Flickinger) Bomesberger. The three children born to their marriage were: Fred B., principal of the high school at Old Fort, Ohio; Ada M., wife of H. J. Weber, a professor in the law department of Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio, and Marcus Herbert, an extended mention of whom is given below.

In Memoriam. Among the native sons of Ohio who made the supreme sacrifice for their country, none is more deserving of lasting memorial than Lieut. Marcus Herbert Esterly, United States Navy, the youngest son of Aaron Esterly, the Youngstown attorney. He is the only one of his family whose service and sacrifice place the name in the annals of his country's history, and they were offered and the sacrifice made in the advancement of æronautics. Lieutenant Esterly was born at Columbiana, Ohio, June 30, 1891, attended the schools in his native town until he was about eleven years of age, and after that attended school at Youngstown. He graduated from the Rayen High School in 1909, and soon afterwards found employment in the Ohio works of the United States Steel Corporation as an electrical worker. He held a similar position in the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company, and out of this experience developed the training of a civil engineer, a profession he followed for a year.

He was one of the first to begin training for service in the great war which impended over America. In December, 1916, in response to the prewar call of Congress, he entered the Navy Reserve Flying Corps as one of the first volunteers. He has had considerable experience, since on September 12, 1912, he had enlisted in the United States Navy and taken up wireless telegraphy. His preliminary training was secured at the Brooklyn, New York, Navy Yard, and after eight months he was detailed to the United States Steamship Delaware, making cruises to Cuba, France and Mexico. After two years of active service he was detailed to land duty at Norfolk, Virginia, and later to Beaufort, North Carolina. In 1915 he was detailed for duty at the radio station at Arlington, Virginia, near Washington, and attained the rank of chief radio officer.

Then with his enlistment for service in the Navy Reserve Flying Corps, he was detailed for sea duty on board a United States cruiser at Boston, Massachusetts, to sail for Guantanamo, Cuba, for training, where he was advanced to the rank of ensign, and later at Pensacola, Florida, to that of lieutenant, junior grade.

In June, 1917, Mr. Esterly was detailed for service at the Goodyear Aviation Field near Akron, Ohio, as an installer and instructor of radio in connection with dirigible balloon development. Here he qualified as an expert aviator and was advanced to the rank of lieutenant. In connection with this service Lieutenant Esterly was the radio officer in charge of radio on the longest continuous dirigible balloon flight ever attempted up to that time, from Akron, Ohio, to New York City, by way of Washington City.

On January 1, 1918, Lieutenant Esterly was detailed for service at Rockaway Beach, Long Island, later at Washington City with the Bureau of Steam Engineering, Navy Department, and still later was sent to Norfolk, Virginia, as ranking officer in full charge of all radio at the Norfolk Navy Yard, Hampton Roads. During this service another and longer dirigible flight was made, from Montauk Point, Long Island, to Saint John, New Brunswick.

In the early part of June, 1920, Lieutenant Esterly was detailed as a member of the United States Navy Flying Corps crew to go to England as ranking officer of the installing and operating of radio in connection with the construction and proposed flight to the United States of the R-38 (English) ZR-2 (United States) under contract construction by the English for the United States, the largest dirigible balloon ever built. He sailed for England July 7, 1920, and with the crew was stationed at the Navy Air Detachment, Royal Air Station, Howden, England. Lieutenant Esterly with sixteen others of the United States crew was invited and detailed to go aboard the ZR-2 on a trial trip as observers, with the Royal Air crew in full charge and control. On August 24, 1921, the ill-fated dirigible, after more than a thirty hours' trial trip, buckled and exploded and fell into the Humber River near Hull, England. The English crew and Lieutenant Esterly with fifteen of his comrades were killed in the accident.

While stationed at Beaufort, North Carolina, June 30, 1915, on his twenty-fourth birthday anniversary, he married Martha E. Ramsey, who with three children survives him. These children are Marcus Herbert, Jr., De Witt C. R. and Nancy Jane.

The body of Lieutenant Esterly was sent from Hull, England, to the home of his parents at Youngstown by the United States Navy Department, and was laid to rest in Lake Park Cemetery, September 24, 1921, with military honors in charge of the American Legion. The funeral was said to have been the largest and most impressive military funeral ever held in the City of Youngstown. A plain granite monument in memory by his family, with a marker, bears this inscription:

Lieut. Marcus H. Esterly, U. S. N.
1891 1921
Martyr—ZR-2 disaster, Hull, England,
August 24, 1921.

John W. Rotzel. One of the well known realtors of Youngstown is John W. Rotzel, who is associated in business with Louis S. Kreider in the handling of real estate and loans and the carrying on of a general brokerage business. Mr. Rotzel is also interested in other affairs of the city, where he has practically resided all of his life and where his entire business career has been passed, and is justly considered a progressive and constructive citizen.

Mr. Rotzel was born in Green Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, August 30, 1885, and is a son of H. L. and Barbara (Callahan) Rotzel, natives of Mahoning County. His paternal grandparents were Frederick Rotzel and his wife, who were born in Germany, while his maternal grandfather was Nathan Callahan, who was born in Mahoning County, where the family is an old one. H. L. Rotzel, who during the greater part of his life followed the trade of wagonmaker, is now living in comfortable retirement at Greenford, Ohio.

John W. Rotzel attended the grade and high school at Greenford, and in his youth mastered the trade of carpenter, at which he worked for four years. However, a career of this nature did not

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suit him, and he finally secured employment as a salesman for a local retail piano company. This business he followed with pleasing success for eleven years, during which time he accumulated some capital and in the spring of 1920 formed a partnership with Louis S. Kreider and opened an office at 602 Wick Building for the handling of real estate and insurance. This business has since grown to large proportions, built up through the industry and good management of the partners.

Mr. Rotzel is well known in the business world of Youngstown as a man of ideas and with a knowledge of realty values, and his integrity has never been questioned. He is a member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, is a member of the church council, secretary of the finance committee and treasurer of the Whittenburg Fund, as well as chorister in the Sunday school. His political tendencies make him a republican, but politics has played but a small part in his career. He is well known fraternally, being a member of Youngstown Lodge No. 403, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he was a trustee three years and a past noble grand; a charter member and first grand hystytee of Murad Sanctorum 202 of O. O. H. & P. He is also district deputy supreme monarchos of District No. 38 composing Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Youngstown, Ohio; Clarksburg, West Virginia, and Sharpsville, Pennsylvania, having passed through all the chairs.

On October 3, 1908, Mr. Rotzel was united in marriage with Miss Pearl L. Glenn, who was born at North Lima, Ohio, a daughter of Elmer and Nancy (Double) Glenn, natives of Trumbull County, Ohio, and to this union there has been born one son, Richard G.

George Frank Leingang, manager of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, is one of the carefully-trained men of his calling, and under his able supervision this body is rendering an efficient public service, and attention is being attracted to it because of its manner of transacting business and forwarding important projects. All of the larger chambers of commerce of the country are now in charge of men who have been prepared for the work of special courses, for it is too important to leave to haphazard methods. Mr. Leingang is not only well-trained, he is also capable, and takes great pride in doing well whatever he undertakes. This in part explains his most remarkable success.

Born at Cleveland, Ohio, November 15, 1870, George Frank Leingang is a son of Jacob and Josephine (Lutz) Leingang, natives of Germany, and Erie, Pennsylvania, respectively. She died March 4, 1924, at Sandusky. He is living in retirement at Dennison, Ohio, although for a number of years he was engaged in business at Cleveland, Ohio, as a meat and provision merchant.

After attending the Sterling Avenue Public School of Cleveland, in 1886 Mr. Leingang began working as a messenger boy for what is now the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and worked his way up in the employ of that company to be chief clerk in the general freight and passenger departments. In 1899 he was transferred to Sandusky as chief clerk for this road in this city. This position he held until October 1, 1911, when he was made division freight agent for the same road. This position he resigned July 1, 1918, to become traffic commissioner, and assistant manager of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce. On April 14, 1920, he resigned and went to Chillicothe, Ohio, as manager of its chamber of commerce. There he remained until April 15, 1923, when he returned to Sandusky as manager of the chamber of commerce of this city, which important position he still holds. In order to prepare himself for this line of work he took courses at the American City Bureau, Eaglesmere, Pennsylvania; two courses at the University of Wisconsin, and two courses at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

In November, 1895, Mr. Leingang married Miss Frances A. Gruss, born at Cleveland, Ohio, a daughter of Frank and Anna Gruss. Mr. and Mrs. Leingang became the parents of the following children: William Charles, who resides at Detroit, Michigan, took his degree of Bachelor of Science from the University of Michigan; Marguerite and George Henry, both of whom are at home. Mr. Leingang belongs to Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, and has served on the church board, and was a member of the executive committee of Saint Mary's Catholic Church at Chillicothe. In politics he is a republican. Very active fraternally, he belongs to Sandusky Lodge No. 285, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is past esteemed leading knight; Sandusky Council No. 546, Knights of Columbus, in which he is a fourth degree knight, and he has passed all of the chairs, and is comptroller of the fourth degree assembly; Cleveland Council No. 82 of the Royal League, in which he has held several offices, and is one of the charter members of the lodge, which he joined in 1891. While a resident of Cleveland he became one of the original members of the League of American Wheelmen, and of the Cleveland Wheel Club, and he also belonged to the Young Men's Christian Association of that same city. While he lived at Chillicothe he was vice president and director of the Athletic Club, and a member of the Rotary Club. From the above brief review it is easy to see that Mr. Leingang is a born leader, and a great believer in fraternal and civic betterment work, and a man who is willing to give liberally and loyally to further those projects he deems will prove beneficial to the individual and community.

Capt. Gail K. Butt, M. D. Soon after receiving his diploma as a Doctor of Medicine Doctor Butt was commissioned an officer of the Medical Corps, went to France, and was in active service during the latter months of the war. He was with the Army of Occupation, returned home with the rank of captain, and is one of the able physicians and surgeons engaged in practice in Miamisburg.

Doctor Butt was born at Johnstown, Ohio, November 6, 1889, son of Friend and Emma (Knorr) Butt. His father is a retired farmer. Doctor Butt graduated from the Johnstown High School, attended the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and in 1917 received his degree from the Ohio State University Medical School. He was commissioned a lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps, was assigned with the Three Hundred and Twenty-second Field Artillery, and with that organization went to France. While at the front he was wounded and gassed, and for gallant service received the Croix de Guerre, and in April, 1919, was promoted to the rank of captain. He was with the Army of Occupation after the armistice, and since his return home, has held commission as captain in the Medical Reserve Corps.

Following the war, Doctor Butt practiced for three years at Columbus Grove, Ohio, and since April, 1923, has been located in Miamisburg. He has a general practice and also does a great deal of diagnosis, having his office equipped with one of the latest model X-ray machines. He has a beautiful home and office on the same lot on East Central Avenue. He is a member of the Montgomery County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Captain Butt is a member of the Alpha Kappa Kappa medical fraternity, the Knights of Pythias, Junior Order United American Mechanics, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

Besides his general practice he is physician for the Mutual Furniture Company, and is examiner for the John Hancock, New York Mutual, Bankers Life and New York Life Insurance companies.

He married Lucile Sparger on March 2, 1918, daughter of John Sparger, a merchant of Rainsboro, Ohio. Mrs. Butt was educated in the Hillsboro High School, is a graduate of the White Cross Hospital and for a year before her marriage was engaged in the work of her profession as a trained nurse. She is a member of the Pythian Sisters, the Eastern Star, and the Daughters of America. Doctor and Mrs. Butt have one daughter, Julia Graynell, born in March, 1920.

Eli Reynolds Lash, who has been in business at Athens for fifty years, has performed many of those duties that come to the good citizen and with such credit that his name is known all over that section of Ohio. Mr. Lash is a former trustee of the Ohio State Hospital for the Insane at Athens, under appointment from Governor Campbell. Since 1912 he has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University, appointed to that office by Judson Harmon, and is chairman of the auditing committee of the Board of Trustees. Through Wilson's administration he served as postmaster of Athens. Only a citizen of well known integrity and success in private business would be accorded these honors.

Mr. Lash was born in Alexander Township of Athens County, November 20, 1848, and represents a pioneer family of this Ohio county. His parents were Jacob and Susan (Morrison) Lash. His father was born in Athens County, in 1820, lived to the venerable age of eighty-eight, and died in 1908. The mother was born at Cadiz in Harrison County, Ohio, in 1823, and died in 1902, aged seventy-nine. Jacob Lash was a farmer, and moved from the birthplace of his son Eli Reynolds to a small farm a mile from Athens. This farm is now owned by the State of Ohio, and is part of the great dairy farm operated by the Ohio Hospital for the Insane. Jacob Lash was a lifelong democrat and a Baptist. He was the father of four children. H. M. Lash was a noted physician and surgeon, and died at Indianapolis, Indiana. W. D. Lash was for thirty-seven years superintendent of schools at Zanesville, where the W. D. Lash High School is named in his honor. The daughter, Lydia, is the wife of Professor Evans, of Athens.

Eli Reynolds Lash spent his boyhood days on a farm, attended the district schools, and subsequently completed his education in Ohio University. He finished a course in pharmacy in 1872, and in November, 1873, began his career as an Athens druggist by purchasing the drug store situated in a building diagonally across Court Street from his present location. He bought this business from John Perkins, who came from Boston and founded the drug store in Athens in 1828. Mr. Perkins continued the active head of the business for forty-five years. Mr. Lash has now rounded out a half century as proprietor of the business. This constitutes perhaps a unique record for any commercial establishment in Ohio, since in a period of ninety-five years the business has had only two proprietors. Mr. Lash moved his store across the street to its present location in 1879.

Mr. Lash has attended nearly all the democratic conventions in county, district and state since early manhood. He voted for Tilden in 1876. He helped nominate James E. Campbell for Governor, and as the nominee of his party for Congress against C. H. Grosvenor he made a good showing. He was democratic presidential elector in 1896 and in 1900.

On November 18, 1875, Mr. Lash married Miss Alice Johns, daughter of J. M. Johns, of Guernsey County. They are the parents of two children. The son, E. Rey, was educated in Ohio University, is a graduate of the Ohio Northern University in pharmacy, and now has active charge in his father's drug business. The daughter, Florence, is the wife of Clarence S. Williams, of Buffalo, New York. Mr. Lash served as the first chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias Lodge at Athens when it was organized in 1877. He was a member of the Grand Lodge in 1878, and in 1922 was made a life member of the lodge. He is also active in Masonry, and has been presiding officer of the local lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council and Knight Templar Commandery.

Henry B. Schaal is one of the scholarly business men of Athens County. For many years he was a successful teacher, has always been a student of books and affairs, and has used a singular degree of energy in making a success of business. He is vice president and secretary of the Hocking Valley Fire Clay Company of Nelsonville, and is also vice president and secretary of the Jewett Coal Company, and secretary and treasurer of the Rittenour Coal Company. The Hocking Valley Fire Clay Company manufactures a salt glazed brick, a high class building material which is shipped over many states, and is one of the most distinctive of Ohio's clay products.

Mr. Schaal was born on a farm near Logan, in Hocking County, Ohio, September 2, 1868, son of Adam David and Margaret (Wolf) Schaal. His mother was born in Hocking County, and died December 16, 1871, when her son Henry was three years old. Adam David Schaal was born in Vinton County, Ohio, son of a German pioneer who first settled in Vinton County and later moved to Illinois, where he spent his last years. Adam David Schaal was an unusually successful farmer and stock man in Hocking County, and was known for the skillful judgment he exercised in all his transactions. He died in 1915, at the age of seventy-six. His second wife was Susan Funk. He was the father of five sons and three daughters. The four children by his first marriage were Henry B., Mary, Charles, William and John Daniel, the two latter passing away in infancy. Mary and her half sister, Amanda, live at the old Schaal home near Laurelville in Hocking County; James, another son, lives on a farm near Laurelville in Pickaway County; Emmanuel lives on a farm near Laurelville, Hocking County, and Caroline died when thirty-one years of age.

Henry B. Schaal was reared on the farm, attended the country schools, and for his higher education depended on his own efforts and earnings as a teacher. His early schooling was acquired in country districts in Hocking County. For eighteen years he taught school, and all the time he was studying to perfect his own education. He took a commercial course in Columbus. For seven years he taught country schools in Hocking and Fairfield counties, and the rest of the time he was a school principal, located at Whisler, Monday and Murray City.

After leaving the school room Mr. Schaal engaged in the hardware business as secretary and treasurer of the Chris Holl Hardware Company at Logan. He sold his interest in that concern and moved to Nelsonville, and in 1909 was made bookkeeper of the Hocking Valley Fire Clay Company. In the course of a few months he had made himself an indispensable factor in this business and was promoted to vice president and secretary.

The chief object of his pride and affection is his home and family. He has a beautiful residence on a hill overlooking Nelsonville. In 1904 he married Miss Flora A. Browne, daughter of Clarence Griffin and Effie (Jackson) Browne. Their three children

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are: Mary Virginia, David Hollister and Henry Mansfield. Mr. Schaal is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and he and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Schaal is also a member of the local Kiwanis Club and takes a helpful interest in anything that is good for his county and state. He is a democrat in politics, and a member of the Chamber of Commerce of Nelsonville, and was school examiner in Hocking County for six years.

WALTER N. MCCOY, a former president of the Ohio Funeral Director's Association, has been an undertaker for a quarter of a century, and since 1907 has been in business at Middletown. He is one of the leaders in his profession in the state.

Mr. McCoy was born November 23, 1878, at New Holland, Ohio, son of Joseph D. and Irene (Haggard) McCoy. His father is a carriage builder by trade, and has served several terms as mayor of Frankfort, Ohio, and was reelected to that office in the fall of 1923.

Walter N. McCoy was educated in the public schools of Frankfort, the high school of Washington Court House, Ohio, and when he left school he began learning the undertaking trade. He was employed by various undertaking firms in Cincinnati, Chillicothe and Columbus, and in 1899 opened an undertaking parlor of his own at Williamsport, Ohio. He was in business there for seven years, and in 1907 came to Middletown. He is a licensed embalmer and employs as assistants two licensed embalmers, A. D. Moses and Ernest Lamphier. At his headquarters at Broad and First Avenue he has splendid equipment and facilities, including invalid carriage, six Packard and Cadillac sedans, and two hearses.

In addition to his long and active connection with the Ohio Funeral Director's Association Mr. McCoy is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is a past grand; the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of which he is a past president; the Knights of Pythias, and the Modern Woodmen.

He married in 1899 Miss Mary V. Cory, of Frankfort, Ohio, daughter of O. A. and Ella (Jones) Cory. She was educated in the public schools of Frankfort, and also attended Granville High School and Ohio Wesleyan University. Mrs. McCoy is a member of the Eastern Star and White Shrine, and is very active in social affairs at Middletown. They have one son, John P., born in 1909, now attending the Middletown High School.

GEORGE W. ROSE has been a practicing attorney in the Glouster community of Athens County for over a quarter of a century. He is the present representative of Athens County in the Ohio General Assembly.

The Rose family has contributed a great deal of the development of this noted mining community of Athens County. George W. Rose was born on a farm near Athens, September 7, 1871, son of Harvey S. and Elizabeth (Bobo) Rose. Harvey S. Rose was born at Mount Vernon, Ohio, the oldest in a family of three sons and three daughters. He was eleven years old when his parents died, and after that the support of the younger children largely devolved upon his youthful shoulders. He was of old Yankee stock from New York State. Harvey S. Rose was a farmer, carpenter, engineer and contractor, and built a great many houses over Athens County. For a time he had charge of the Glouster Brick Plant. He was engineer for the New York Coal Company in the Hocking Valley. He kept his home on the farm south of Athens until 1888, when he moved to Glouster, then a very small village, and he helped build the town. He died August 30, 1916, at the age of sixty-nine. He was an active republican, and was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and the Methodist Church. His wife, Elizabeth Bobo, was born in Athens County, and is now living at Glouster at the age of seventy-six.

George W. Rose, only son of his parents, spent his early years on the old farm near Athens, attending the local schools. At the age of eighteen he graduated from the Glouster High School, and as a young man he taught three terms of schools, one in a rural district and two years at Hollister. He attended Ohio University and finished his law course at Ohio Northern University in 1895. In 1896 he was employed as attorney to represent the Village of Glouster. The following year he was elected solicitor, and by repeated elections has held that office now for over a quarter of a century. He is also attorney for the Glouster State Bank. He assisted in organizing and is vice president of the Union Telephone Company, and has been one of the most effective and public spirited citizens in promoting every line of needed improvement. As a member of the Ohio Legislature, representing Athens County, he was given a place on the very important committee of finance. He has served as a member of the County School Board.

May 20, 1903, Mr. Rose married Miss Adda L. Carpenter, daughter of Joseph Carpenter, of Glouster. They have one son, Harold, who graduated in June, 1924, from the Staunton Military Academy at Staunton, Virginia, and will enter Ohio State University at Columbus, Ohio, in September, 1924.

WILLIAM ERVIN HOFFER, M. D. In William Ervin Hoffer, Doctor of Medicine, Warren County has a young surgeon of distinctive abilities and training, and with all around qualifications in his profession.

Doctor Hoffer was born in Paulding County, Ohio, November 23, 1887, son of John and Almeda Jane (Lyons) Hoffer. His father was a successful contractor. William E. Hoffer attended public schools in Allen County, Ohio, and acquired his higher education in several institutions, using his earnings as a teacher to defray his expenses. He attended the National Normal University at Lebanon, was a student in the Valparaiso University in Indiana in 1915, took special work in Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, and for six years taught in Warren County, being principal of the South Lebanon School for a portion of the time. Mr. Hoffer graduated Doctor of Medicine from the Eclectic Medical College at Cincinnati in 1919. He is one of the most prominent representatives of his school of medicine in this part of Ohio, and has attended all the state and national eclectic conventions, and read papers before the Ohio State Medical Society. He served six months as interne in Saint Mary's Hospital at Cincinnati, and since then has been engaged in general practice at Franklin, though his abilities have brought him more and more to do in the line of surgery. In 1922 he took post-graduate work in the Chicago Institute of Surgery. About twice during each year Doctor Hoffer attends clinics under Doctors Ochsner and Percy at Augustana Hospital in Chicago, and also the Mayo Brothers Clinics at Rochester, Minnesota. He has also taken a post-graduate course in operative surgery at the American Hospital, Chicago, under the supervision of Dr. Max Thorek. He is a member of the Warren County and Ohio State Medical societies, and is a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Doctor Hoffer is medical examiner for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, the New York Mutual Life Insurance Company, and the George Washington Life Insurance Company, and is local physician for the Dayton Power and Light Company. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of

Odd Fellows. On December 18, 1909, he married Miss Mary Belle Rogers, of Morrow, Ohio, daughter of William and Hannah Rogers. She was educated in the public schools of Clermont and Warren counties, in the National Normal University of Lebanon, and for a number of years was a successful teacher. She was a member of the Mothers' Club and the Warren County Teachers' Association. Doctor and Mrs. Hoffer have one child, John Milton, born in 1915.

MARCELLUS A. KRIEG. For half a century an important industry in the Hocking Valley was the lumber and planing mill industry maintained by the Krieg family, and which manufactured immense quantities of material used in the construction of houses over a large territory in the valley. The business was founded by the late Michael Krieg, and for forty years it was continued under the firm name of M. A. Krieg & Company, with headquarters at Nelsonville. Marcellus A. Krieg, head of the business, has since retired, and now gives his time to other interests at Nelsonville and vicinity.

Mr. Krieg was born at Logan, Hocking County, April 13, 1857, son of Michael and Leah (Friesner) Krieg. The Friesners came from Switzerland to the United States, and have long been prominent in Hocking County. Leah Friesner was a daughter of Frederick Friesner. Michael Krieg was born in France, February 15, 1824, son of Francis Joseph Krieg, who was one of Napoleon's old guards in the Napoleonic wars. He was a follower of the Great Emperor fifteen years, being one of the army of 250,000 that marched into Russia, to Moscow, and one of the few thousand soldiers that came back from that disastrous expedition. He was with his Emperor at the final battle, Waterloo. In 1828 the Krieg family came to America and settled in Wayne County, Ohio, and later at Junction City in Perry County. Francis Joseph Krieg followed farming in this country.

Michael Krieg and his wife, though self educated, exemplified some of the old country love of literature and art, and they were life long readers and students. Michael Krieg had a fluent command of the French, German and English. All their children became students, and as a family they have been book lovers. Michael Krieg as a young man took out his citizenship papers, and was a man of quiet influence in the community where he lived. He learned the cabinet making trade, later became a carpenter, and in the early days he was the undertaker of his community, making coffins by hand. As a house builder he erected many of the residences in Hocking County, and subsequently became a manufacturer of building material. In 1865 he and A. B. Dutin, E. G. Collins, Arch A. Houston and Darius White started a planing mill and furniture factory. This business in 1872 was incorporated as the Logan Manufacturing Company. In 1878 he established a planing mill at Nelsonville, successor to Freer and Wolf, and when Michael Krieg retired from the business in 1890 it was taken over by his son Marcellus A. and the latter's brother, H. D., and most of the business since that time has been concentrated at Nelsonville. Michael Krieg in his early years owned a farm near Logan. He and his wife established their home in Logan in 1855, and lived the rest of their lives in that community, where Michael Krieg died in December, 1901. He was a democrat, and all his sons followed him in politics except Marcellus A. The wife of Michael Krieg was born April 21, 1831, in Hocking County, and died August 20, 1917. They are survived by six sons and one daughter: Marcellus A., Homer D., Lafe C., M. M., Arch A., Irving and Lucy. Lucy and Irving, both unmarried, live at the old home in Logan, Hocking County, Irving being connected with the First National Bank. Homer was formerly associated with his brother Marcellus in the planing mill business, and lives at Nelsonville. Lafe is a contractor in Texas. M. M. is a prospector living at Boise City, Idaho, and Arch is a druggist in Charleston, West Virginia.

Marcellus A. Krieg was educated in the public schools of Logan, and studied architecture and the building trades under his father. As a young man, following Greeley's advice, he went West to Kansas, partly for reasons of health, and spent three years there, part of the time employed on a cattle ranch in Jackson County, and for eleven months he taught school. On returning East he went to work in the furniture store maintained by the Logan Manufacturing Company, and subsequently mastered all the technical details of manufacturing. In 1887 he disposed of his interest in the Logan Manufacturing Company and for several years followed the business of a contractor and builder. In 1890 he purchased his father's interest in the Nelsonville plant, and continued the business under the firm name of M. A. Krieg & Company until August, 1921. The planing mill of the company supplied building material used by contractors all over this part of the valley. Since August, 1921, Mr. Krieg has given his time to his duties as secretary-treasurer of the Lick Run Coal and Clay Company.

On March 17, 1904, he married Miss Harriett S. Frazier, of Carbon Hill, daughter of Richard and Samantha Frazier. Mr. and Mrs. Krieg are members of the Episcopal Church. He is a Knight Templar Mason, and in younger years he served several terms on the City Council of Nelsonville.

C. E. BENNETT is the secretary, treasurer and general manager and the man chiefly responsible for the success of the Bennett Company at Nelsonville, a business handling and distributing milk, manufacturing ice cream and soft drinks, and with market for the products all up and down the Hocking and the Sunday Creek valleys. The business was incorporated in June, 1922, with Mr. C. J. Bartels as president and sales manager.

Mr. Bennett represents an old and prominent family of Athens County, and was born on his father's farm three miles south of Nelsonville, September 9, 1885. His parents were John W. and Mary L. (Thornton) Bennett. His father died in 1920, at the age of seventy-two. His mother was born in 1851, on the old farm where the Bennett family lived for so many years, and she died there in 1918, at the age of sixty-six. John W. Bennett was throughout his lifetime a man of splendid capabilities and excellent influence in his community in Athens County. He was a coal operator for a time, also a farmer, and did a successful business as a carpenter, builder and contractor. A leading democrat, he served two terms as county commissioner, from 1908 to 1912, and at all times was an enthusiastic advocate of good roads building. He served repeatedly on the school board and as township trustee, and was held in high honor and esteem. He was a Methodist, and for thirty years was superintendent of the Sunday school. John W. Bennett and wife had a family of ten children, nine sons and one daughter. The seven sons now living are: Loving, a coal operator at New Lexington; Frank E. and Charles W., farmers near Dashler, Ohio; J. M., a coal operator at Nelsonville; James V., who is associated in business with his brother, C. E. Bennett, the next in age; and W. H., a coal operator at Nelsonville and New Lexington.

C. E. Bennett while a boy on the farm attended the district schools of York Township, completing his education in Ohio University at Athens. When he left home at the age of twenty he studied embalm-

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ing, and for a time was in the undertaking business. For two years he was in Detroit, an employe of the Hupp Motor Company. Returning to Nelsonville, with the purpose of engaging in coal production, he found his plans temporarily frustrated, and to secure immediate action he bought a milk route from his brother. From this he has developed the business briefly described above, and has enlarged his plant three times and given it modern equipment in every respect. In July, 1924, he opened the second plant and began operations in Athens, Ohio.

In 1915 Mr. Bennett married Miss Garnett Spencer, daughter of Joshua Spencer, of Nelsonville. She is the active partner of Mr. Bennett, and they have cooperated throughout in achieving their business success. Mr. Bennett is a member of the Masonic Lodge and Masonic Grotto, and is also affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

ARTHUR AUGUST BECKMAN, an ex-service man who spent over two years in France, is prominent in publicity work and is secretary of the Bellaire Chamber of Commerce and also secretary of the Ohio River Highway Association.

He was born at St. Paul, Minnesota, April 12, 1889, son of August and Augusta Beckman. His father has had a long experience in banking, being connected with the Capital National Bank of St. Paul.

After finishing his education in the public schools of St. Paul, Arthur August Beckman took up publicity work, and so continued until America entered the World war. On May 26, 1917, he enlisted as a private at St. Paul with Company E of the Sixtieth United States Engineers. He went to France as a private, was made a private of the first class, and was then commissioned second lieutenant of infantry. He was transferred as an adjutant in the postal service at Paris for seven months, was promoted to first lieutenant of infantry, and altogether served in France from August 10, 1917, to September 16, 1919.

After returning to the United States Mr. Beckman resumed publicity work, assisting in the organizations of chambers of commerce, hospitals and other institutions. Since May 13, 1921, he has been secretary of the Bellaire Chamber of Commerce and secretary of the Ohio River Highway. He organized the chamber of of commerce, and this chamber has made an enviable record of accomplishment for commercial and civic improvement. Both organizations have endorsed and made a primary feature of their program of work the construction of a hard surface road from Pittsburgh to Cincinnati on the west bank of the Ohio River.

Mr. Beckman is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the American Legion and the Forty and Eight Society of ex-service men. He belongs to the Kiwanis Club and the Episcopal Church. Mr. Beckman married Miss Eleanor Truckles, of Maplewood, New Jersey. They have one son, John Arthur.

WILLIAM HENRY CANN, doctor of dental surgery at Nelsonville in Athens County, has had a very busy practice in his profession there for the past fifteen years, and he has also become one of the solid, substantial citizens of that community.

Doctor Cann was born at Oswego Falls, New York, August 12, 1882, and since boyhood has been the master of his destiny, relying upon his industry and initiative to rise above circumstances. His parents were George and Mary (Garside) Cann, both natives of England. His father was a finisher in textile mills, and worked for a number of years in the Renfrew Manufacturing Company at Adams, Massachusetts, and had also been connected with the textile plant at Oswego Falls, New York. He died in March, 1912, when seventy-two years of age, and his widow survived him until July, 1922, passing away at the age of seventy-six. They had a family of five sons: Wilfred, who is a physical director at Elizabeth, New Jersey; Walter, a florist at Millbrook, New York; Arthur, whose home is at Adams, Massachusetts; Herbert, a pearl button cutter at Attleboro, Massachusetts; and William Henry.

Dr. William Henry Cann was reared at Adams, Massachusetts, and while attending school he exercised his ingenuity by earning money at different occupations during holidays and vacations. After completing the high school course he had to depend upon himself to achieve his ambition of becoming a dentist. He worked and paid his way through the dental department of Ohio State University, being employed as a grocery clerk and in other occupations, working Saturdays and Sundays. He was graduated in 1907, and is a member of the Psi Omega dental fraternity. Doctor Cann for a brief time practiced at Monticello in Wayne County, Kentucky, and then moved to Nelsonville. He exemplifies some of the most advanced ideas and methods in the science and practice of dentistry.

Doctor Cann has served as a member of the City Council at Nelsonville. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, and is affiliated with the Lodge and Royal Arch Chapter at Nelsonville, the Knights Templar Commandery at Somerset, Kentucky, Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus, and is also affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He married Miss Rema Johnson, daughter of James W. Johnson, of Bridgeport, Ohio. She is a member of the Methodist Church. Their three children are James, William H., Jr., and Mary.

LOUIS T. NEIN, of the Nein Brothers Realty Company, one of the most prominent real estate firms in Butler County, with offices at Middletown, is a former county treasurer of Butler County and has been a man of conspicuous prominence there for many years.

He was born at Milton, Indiana, September 25, 1882, son of Henry and Margaret (Grau) Nein. His father was born in Germany in 1839, and came to the United States at the age of sixteen, devoting his active career to farming in Indiana and in Southern Ohio. He died in Butler County in 1901. Margaret Grau was born in Butler County, February 14, 1848.

Louis T. Nein was a child when his parents settled on a farm in Morgan Township, Butler County, and he grew up there, attending the district schools. In 1901 he was graduated from the New London High School, and for two years he was a teacher, first in a rural school in Milford Township and then as principal of the Millville School.. Mr. Nein's early business experience was as an employe of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He was in the offices of the company at Indianapolis, and his efficiency and faithfulness in the performance of duty brought him promotion to chief clerk of the accounting department.

Resigning in 1912, Mr. Nein returned to Butler County and established a general insurance agency at Middletown. He found time also to interest himself in local affairs and politics, and in 1914 was appointed city auditor of Middletown. He held that office until August 31, 1919, when he began his duties as county treasurer of Butler County. He was elected county treasurer in November, 1918. He resigned that office to return to Middletown and become associated with his brothers, John F. and Edward H., in the Nein Brothers Realty Company with offices in the First National Bank Building.

Mr. Louis Nein is a democrat in politics, is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church, and is a member of the Masonic Order, the Benevolent and Protective

Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Young Men's Christian Association. In 1907 he married Miss Ethel Hawk, daughter of George Hawk. The children born to their marriage are Earl Louis and Helen Elizabeth.

Reuben J. Boesel, M. D. A prominent young physician, specializing in nose and throat work and surgery, Doctor Boesel is one of the busiest professional men in Athens County, located at Carbondale, where he has an extensive mining practice and is also interested in coal mining.

He was born at New Bremen in Auglaize County, Ohio, April 22, 1895, son of Adolph and Ida (Haveman) Boesel. His father has long been prominent in the business life of New Bremen, where he is vice president of the First National Bank, president of the First City Bank, and for many years held the office of city treasurer. Doctor Boesel was the only son of his parents, and there were five daughters in the family.

Doctor Boesel was liberally educated, and after the public schools entered Ohio State University at Columbus, where he graduated from the College of Liberal Arts in 1918. He remained in the State University a student of medicine, and during the World war, as a young medical student, was in the Students' Army Training Corps. He was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1921, and for a year was an interne in Mount Carmel Hospital and had six months of special work in New York hospitals, training as a nose and throat specialist and surgeon.

Mr. Boesel began his practice at Carbondale, in Athens County, in October, 1921. He is physician and surgeon for nine mines in Carbondale and vicinity, and has achieved a reputation as one of the most skillful and expert young men in his profession. He is also part owner and manager of the Caloric Coal Company at Carbondale. Doctor Boesel is a member of the Athens County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Edward D. Powell, a Youngstown attorney with offices in the Stambaugh Building, is a member of a well known family of that city, and nearly all of them at some time or other have been identified with the iron and steel industry of the Mahoning Valley.

Mr. Powell was born August 10, 1888, son of Edward and Adeline (Cook) Powell. His father was born at Evervales, Wales, and the grandfather, William Powell, brought the family to Youngstown in 1862. William Powell was a puddler in the steel mills. The maternal grandfather, Dugal Cook, was a native of Scotland, and at Youngstown, where he became a mill worker, married a girl from the North of Ireland. Edward Powell, Sr., in early life was an employe in the steel mills, later for many years was in the grocery and meat business, and acquired a large amount of property and dealt in real estate until 1908. Since then he and his wife have lived retired at 1920 Market Street. Their children are: Jennie Belle, wife of Frank E. Douthel, of Youngstown; Adeline M., Mrs. Edmond Reynolt, of Youngstown; Edward D.; and William Donald, of Youngstown.

Edward D. Powell continued in the public schools of Youngstown to the age of fifteen, and on leaving school he was employed by his father a few years. For about five years he was in a business for himself, and in the meantime he was getting his advanced education, spending two years in preparatory work in the Northeastern Ohio Normal at Canfield, and then attending Wooster University at Wooster, Ohio, and Ohio Northern University at Ada. He was graduated in 1914, and in June, 1915, was admitted to the Ohio bar. For the past ten years he has been engaged in an independent practice of his profession. He has found satisfaction in the strict limits of the law, and has made no important diversion into politics or business.

In November, 1915, he married Miss Emma Dell O'Dell, a native of Attica, Indiana, and daughter of John O. O'Dell. They have two children: Edward D., born July 29, 1916, and Mary Lillis, born December 16, 1920. Mr. Powell is a member of the Pleasant Grove United Presbyterian Church, is a republican, and a member of the Delta Theta Phi, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of the Grotto and the Mystic Shrine.

Samuel Gibson was born in a district of Youngstown Township that is now an integral part of this city, the year of his nativity having been March 9, 1819, and he was a representative of one of the old and honored pioneer families of this city and county. Samuel Gibson was here reared under the conditions and influences of the early pioneer period of the history of this now favored section of Ohio. His marriage was solemnized at Nesshannack, Pennsylvania, to Miss Nancy Jane Gault June 8, 1847.

Samuel Gibson, eldest son of Robert Dixon Gibson and Lydia (Marshall) Gibson, was born on the old Youngstown homestead March 9, 1819, and he passed his entire life in Mahoning County, his death having occurred at Youngstown December 14, 1910. In 1843 he wedded Ann Irwin, and upon her death, January 16, 1846, she was survived by one son, James D., who at this writing (1924) is residing in the Village of Poland. The date of the second marriage of Samuel Gibson has already been here recorded, his second wife having been born at Nesshannack, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, September 27, 1825, and her death having occurred May 5, 1897. Of the children of Samuel and Nancy J. (Gault) Gibson the eldest was William T., who became a prominent and influential citizen of Youngstown, of which city he served for some time as mayor. William T. Gibson, whose death occurred August 24, 1920, prepared and published a most interesting record concerning his ancestors who were the pioneer founders of the Gibson family in Mahoning County, and this history of Capt. James Gibson, a Revolutionary soldier, and of his noble wife, whose maiden name was Anna Belle Dixon, is available for much interesting family data impossible of incorporation in this brief review. Many other Ohio historical works likewise make special mention of Captain Gibson and other representatives of this sterling pioneer family, which was here founded in the Mahoning Valley in the year 1799, when this section was on the very frontier of civilization. Of the children of Samuel and Nancy J. Gibson, there are living only three, Minnie A.; Ben M., who owns and resides upon a part of the old homestead farm, now included in the City of Youngstown; Harry G. resides at Poland, Mahoning County. Miss Ella remained with her sister Miss Minnie A. until her death in 1908. Robert A. died at the age of thirty-five years.

Samuel Gibson inherited a portion of the old homestead farm at Youngstown, and here he passed his entire life, a sterling citizen who commanded unqualified popular esteem.

It is but fitting that further reference be here made to Capt. James Gibson, founder of the family in Ohio. Of Scotch ancestry, Capt. James Gibson was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, in 1740, and in 1770 he came to the New World and established his residence in Pennsylvania. In Cumberland County, that state, he gained a full share of frontier experience, including conflicts with the Indians, in which connection he served as captain of a company of rangers, besides which he later held a captaincy in the command with which he served as a patriot soldier in the

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Revolution. With horses and wagons Captain Gibson came with his wife and their four sons from Pennsylvania to Ohio in the year 1779. They arrived in Mahoning County, as now constituted, in November of that year, and they camped one night at what is still known as Gibson Spring, which is on the present Poland Avenue of the City of Youngstown. From John Young, Captain Gibson purchased the tract of forest land, about 300 acres, which became the family homestead and much of which he reclaimed to cultivation, the family having lived up to the full tension of hardships and responsibilities incidental to the leading of the march of civilization into this frontier district. The death of Captain Gibson here occurred in 1816, and his widow was eighty-six years of age at the time of her death, in 1833. Two of their sons, James, Jr., and Robert D., served in the War of 1812. It may be noted in this connection that the devoted wife of Captain Gibson was a charter member of the first Presbyterian Church organized at Youngstown, in 1800.

Robert D. Gibson, father of Samuel Gibson, was born in Pennsylvania, and accompanied his parents on their immigration to Ohio, he having been named in honor of his maternal uncle, Robert Dixon, who lost his life while serving as a patriot soldier in the Revolution, this uncle having been the first American soldier killed at Quebec, Canada, in 1775. Robert D. Gibson was born in 1784, and his death occurred at Youngstown April 16, 1863. He served in three different Ohio regiments within the period of the War of 1812. In 1818 he married Lydia Marshall, who was born in Huntington County, Pennsylvania, April 4, 1796, a daughter of James Marshall, a Revolutionary soldier who became an early settler in Trumbull County, Ohio. Mrs. Gibson survived her husband, and died August 4, 1873. Of their five children Samuel, the subject of this sketch, was the eldest. Robert D. Gibson added much to his landed estate in and near Youngstown, and the substantial stone house which he erected about the year 1840 is now one of the land marks of Mahoning County.

Samuel Gibson became the owner of the north part of the land originally acquired by Capt. James Gibson, and here, near the historic Gibson Spring, still stands the house which he erected and afterward enlarged and in which he passed the closing years of his life, the attractive old homestead being now the place of abode of his daughter Minnie A. He served as a captain in the Ohio Militia in the early '40s, was a democrat in politics, and he and his wife held membership in the First Presbyterian Church of Youngstown.

Miss Minnie A. Gibson and her brother William T. became the owners of the old homestead. William T. Gibson was one of the organizers of the City Savings & Trust Company of Youngstown, and was president of this institution at the time of his death. He was one of the representative members of the bar of Mahoning County, and served as solicitor of the city and as prosecuting attorney of the county, his political allegiance having been given to the democratic party. He was one of the loyal and progressive citizens of Youngstown, and had served as its mayor. He remained a bachelor and continued to reside with his sister at the old homestead until his death on August 24, 1920. Of the land constituting the old homestead of Samuel Gibson nearly all has been sold and developed for business and residential usage, but Miss Minnie A. Gibson still retains the substantial old house, which is her home, together with seven acres surrounding the same and including the famous old Gibson Spring, long known for its pure and sparkling water.

Morris H. Squires. Some men are born with a flare for business, and no matter what the line may be into which they direct their efforts, success is sure to attend them. They understand both buying and selling; can judge accurately the changes in the market, the increase or decrease in the supply and demand of the public, and direct their course accordingly. Such men stimulate trade, as well as build up private fortunes. One of the live and progressive business men of Youngstown, whose efforts have made him a well-known figure in the realty circles of Mahoning County, is Morris H. Squires, president and treasurer of the Front Street Development Company. He is a man whose progress has been steady and cumulative, and he has worked his own way up from very small beginnings to his present responsible position in business life.

Morris H. Squires was born in Russia, in 1885, a son of Jacob and Rosa Squires, the former of whom immigrated to the United States and settled at Akron, Ohio, in 1891. Two years later his wife and son joined him, and some years later they moved to Colorado, where they are now residing.

Growing up at Akron, Morris H. Squires attended the city's public schools, and while acquiring a substantial education, was well-grounded in true Americanism. Owing to financial conditions he early began to be self-supporting, working for several years as a factory hand. When only nineteen years old he went into business for himself, and for three years bought and sold scrap iron. His attention was then turned to real estate, and he bought and sold properties for six years. For the subsequent five years he was equally successful in handling automobiles, and then, disposing of that enterprise, he began to concentrate all of his energies toward developing Front Street, and has made his influence felt as a potent factor in enhancing property values in this part of Youngstown. Since 1906 he has been a resident of Youngstown, and intends to remain here, where he has acquired wealth and prestige.

In 1912 Mr. Squires married Miss Edith Cutler, who was born at Cleveland, Ohio, and they have four children: Howard, Bettie, Rhodo S. and Ensiemath. His political belief makes him a republican. Fraternally he belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, while through his connection with the Kiwanis Club he keeps in touch with civic improvements and betterment.

John F. Nein. In Butler County citizenship John F. Nein has been a conspicuous figure for many years. He has been active in the real estate business at Middletown since 1907, and at the same time every movement involving an element of public interest has enlisted his complete and hearty cooperation.

Mr. Nein was born near Cambridge City, Wayne County, Indiana, August 15, 1880, son of Henry and Margaret (Grau) Nein. His father, who came to the United States in 1855, was born in Germany in 1839, and became well known in Butler County, where he was engaged in farming for many years and where he died in 1901. The mother of John F. Nein was born in Butler County in 1848.

Educated in the country schools of Butler County, John F. Nein after finishing his high school course at Shandon remained on the farm, and the foundation of his career was a thorough knowledge of farming. In 1907 he began dealing in real estate at Middletown, and after three years his brother, Edward H. Nein, joined him. Three brothers finally constituted the Nein Brothers Realty Company. Mr. Nein from the first was interested in the constructive side of his business. He has instituted several important developments, and has contributed in no small degree to the housing construction that has enabled the increasing population of Middletown to find appropriate homes. He and his partners have improved several tracts

adjacent to Middletown, and have built and sold under the easy payment plan numerous homes to people in moderate circumstances.

Mr. Nein is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias, in which latter order he is a past chancellor. He is a member of the Middletown Real Estate Board, and also holds membership in the Ohio State and the National Association of Real Estate Boards. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church. On August 5, 1903, he married Miss Flora L. Henry, daughter of Halsey and Elizabeth Henry. She was a graduate of the high school at Hamilton and at her death, on July 31, 1918, she was survived by three children: Velma, born in 1904; Floyd, born in 1906; and Russell, born in 1910. On January 7, 1920, Mr. Nein married Florence Carolyn Abbott, of Hamilton, a daughter of Joseph and Sarah Abbott.

Edward H. Nein, senior member of Nein Brothers Realty Company at Middletown, has long been recognized as one of Butler County's most enterprising business men. His experience in the real estate field covers a period of over fifteen years.

Mr. Nein was born near Cambridge City, Wayne County, Indiana, February 6, 1878, and was a boy when his parents came to Butler County, Ohio. His father, Henry Nein, came to the United States at the age of sixteen, having been born in Germany in 1839. He was a farmer in Indiana and later in Butler County, Ohio, where he died in 1901. His wife, Margaret Grau, was born in Butler County, February 14, 1848, and survived her husband.

Edward H. Nein made good use of his advantages in the local schools near his father's farm. For two years he attended the high school at Shandon in Butler County, and for another two years was a student in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. At the age of nineteen he began teaching, and his work in the district schools continued four years. He had a year of additional training in Valparaiso University in Indiana, following which he took up bookkeeping, and subsequently for four years was on the road as a traveling salesman.

Mr. Nein engaged in the real estate business at Hamilton in 1908, and in 1910 he and his brother, John F. Nein, formed a partnership at Middletown. The Nein Brothers Realty Company has been a successful organization and has been potent in advancing the material interest of the city in many ways. The firm has done a great deal of constructive work, home building and subdividing.

Mr. Nein has at all times recognized the close relation between his business and the public welfare of his community, and both in business and through his other connections he has exercised a steady influence for betterment and improvement. He is affiliated with the United Commercial Travelers, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

On November 6, 1902, he married Miss Elizabeth M. McCoy. She is a daughter of William McCoy, who lived near Oxford in Butler County. The two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Nein are: Lyman Randolph, born in 1903, and Gordon Russell, born in 1905.

Clifford A. Wise immediately after graduating from high school took up automobile work, and for several years has been one of the accomplished automobile salesmen of Northern Ohio. He has been in business at Elyria for some years, the only interruption to his work having been during the war, when he was in the aviation service.

Mr. Wise was born January 20, 1891, at Jackson, Michigan, son of Charles N. and Nancy J. (Hazard) Wise. His father was born at Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York, and his mother in Orange County, New York. Charles Wise became a railway engineer on the Michigan Central Railroad, and as such his home and headquarters were at Jackson, Michigan.

Clifford A. Wise was educated in Michigan, graduated from high school in 1909, and then went to work as an automobile mechanic with the Jackson Automobile Company. Three years later he came to Cleveland and was shop foreman for an automobile dealer. In the fall of 1913 he became manager of the Buick automobile sales room at Elyria. He continued in that business until the World war. In the aviation service he was appointed division instructor and pilot for dirigibles.

In 1918, after the war, Mr. Wise took the agency for the Studebaker car, and has handled a great volume of business for that company at Elyria. He is a member of the Rotary Club, the Elyria Automobile Club, the American Legion Post and the Fish and Game Club. He is also affiliated with the Elks, and is a member of the Baptist Church. In March, 1918, Mr. Wise married Esther V. Baker, a native of Amherst, Ohio, and daughter of A. and Harriett Baker. They had one son, Clifford Charles.

William B. Ponyman, of Youngstown, is one of the honored veterans of the World war, and was a soldier in the Regular Army, both in France and for two years after the armistice in this country.

He was born at Farrell, Pennsylvania, February 5, 1898. His parents, Louis and Sarah Ponyman, were natives of Russia, and about 1893 came to the United States, locating at Farrell, Pennsylvania, where Louis Ponyman found employment as a steel worker. In 1898 he moved his family to Youngstown, and continued work in the steel mills of this district. William B. Ponyman grew up at Youngstown, attended the common schools, and has achieved a liberal education in the intervals of his work and employment in other occupations. For a time he attended the Franklin Institute at Rochester, New York, studied law in the Hamilton College of law at Chicago, and also did special work in applied science. In 1913, while attending the public schools, he worked in a grocery store at Youngstown. In 1917 he enlisted as a private in the Regular Army of the United States. He was sent overseas April 1, 1918, landing in France, and in May went to the battle line and saw active service in some of the defensive and offensive movements in the last six months of the war. In April, 1919, he returned to the United States, and spent one year at Eagle Pass, Texas, on the Mexican border, and thereafter was in service at different army posts in the United States until honorably discharged in August, 1920. He then reenlisted for another year, and saw service in the Middle West until his final discharge in November, 1921.

Returning to Youngstown after a service of four years in the army, Mr. Ponyman completed his studies and soon took up private investigation and detective work. In 1922 he established the Ponyman Detective Agency, and has made it one of the most reliable organizations of the kind in Ohio. Mr. Ponyman, who is unmarried, is an independent in politics. He is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the International Association of Identification, and the Illinois State Association for Identification.

Francis Mayton Snook, of Youngstown, is a young man, but with an unusual length and diversity of experience, beginning in boyhood. He was in the Regular Army for a time, and served in the Philippines.

Mr. Snook was born at Canton, Mississippi, February 2, 1879, son of Francis Mayton and Alice E.

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(Murrell) Snook, his father a native of Dayton, Ohio, and his mother of Winona, Mississippi. The elder Snook was a newspaper publisher and politician, served at one time as a member of the State Senate of Kansas, and died at Warsaw, Missouri, about 1884, his wife passing away in 1887.

Francis Mayton Snook was only eight years old when left an orphan. At the age of fifteen he began working a small orange grove at Azusa, California. After five years in that work he joined the United States Army, and served four years, including the war in the Philippine Islands. In 1904, on returning to the United States, he entered the New York University School of Commerce, where he supplemented his early limited advantages in school. He then became a representative of the Underwood Typewriter Company at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and a year later was made a branch manager of the company at Altoona, Pennsylvania, and subsequently entered the service of the Alexander Hamilton Institute as a district representative, spending four years at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and then coming to Youngstown, where he has charge of the district for this great educational institution.

In 1915 he married Miss Clara Elizabeth Wilke, a native of Pittsburgh, and daughter of Ernest M. and Lydia (Seif) Wilke, native of the same city. They have one daughter, Beth Frances. Mr. Snook is a member of the Christian Science Church, and is independent in politics.

Kertis L. Cobourn is a native of Columbiana County, and has been a prominent lawyer at Salem for over twenty years. While he has practiced law rather than held office, he has been a leader in the republican party in his section of the state.

He was born in Perry Township, near Salem, January 15, 1871, son of Nathan and Harriet J. (Carle) Cobourn. Mr. Cobourn was reared on a farm, taught school in rural districts five years, and completed his literary education by graduating from the Damascus Academy with the Bachelor of Science degree on June 17, 1892. Subsequently, in the spring of 1898, he was elected justice of the peace. He studied law under attorney A. W. Taylor at Salem, and on June 13, 1901, was admitted to the Ohio bar He was admitted to practice in the United States Court of the Northern Ohio District February 5, 1907. Mr. Cobourn has conducted a general practice as an attorney, and has come to be recognized as a hard working, earnest and fair minded member of his profession.

He is past exalted ruler of Lodge No. 305, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 316. He served two years as president of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, and his political activity in the republican party runs back more than twenty-five years. He was president and secretary of the Republican Local Committee and is now a member of the County Executive and Local Central committees. On January 20, 1897, Mr. Cobourn married Myrta L. Kille. They have one son, Frank Marcus.

Paul Rainey McLaughlin, M. D. Through a period of fifteen years Doctor McLaughlin has given his very best talent and experience to the practice of medicine and surgery in the community of Guysville in Athens County. However, for more than two years he was absent from his home community in army service, coming out of the army at the close of the World war with the rank of major in the Medical Corps.

Doctor McLaughlin was born on a farm at Shreve, Wayne County, Ohio, May 20, 1883. His parents, J. W. and Minerva (Rainey) McLaughlin, still live at the old homestead in Wayne County, his father aged sixty-nine and his mother, sixty-six. His father for years has been known as one of the successful and progressive men in the agricultural community of his county. He is a republican. There are two sons, Dr. Paul R. and Ralph. The latter has worked his way from lineman to chief clerk in the Chicago offices of the Western Union Telegraph Company.

Paul Rainey McLaughlin was reared in a country community, attended country schools, also high school, and finished his literary education in Wooster University. He graduated in 1904 from the pharmacy department of Ohio Northern University, and subsequently entered the medical department of Ohio State University, from which he received his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1909. Soon after graduating he located at Guysville in Athens County, and has made and sustained an enviable record as a professional man. He spent fourteen years in the Ohio National Guard, becoming a member of the Fourth Infantry in 1904, and in 1909 he was made first lieutenant of the Medical Corps and captain in 1912. In 1916 he went out with the troops sent to the Mexican border, a member of Companies A and B of the Ohio Signal Corps. He was trained for the medical service at Fort Bliss, Texas, also at Fort Sheridan, Illinois. and Camp Perry, and Camp Sheridan, Alabama. In September, 1917, he was raised to the rank of major and at Sheridan, Ohio, his corps became the One Hundred and Twelfth Field Signal Battalion, and in November, 1917, he was transferred to command Field Hospital No. 146, Thirty-seventh Division, and went overseas with that outfit. He was discharged about the 1st of May, 1919, at Camp Dix, and immediately returned home to take up his practice. He is now a member of the Officers' Reserve Corps and a member of the American Legion, Crossen Post, at Athens. He had ten months of service overseas as administration officer at Camp Hospital No. 51 and Hospital No. 29 in France. Altogether his active service as a soldier and medical officer covered a period of two years and ten months.

He is a member of the various medical organizations and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In 1905 he married Miss Leta Richmond, of Moundsville, West Virginia. They have three children: Claire, Paul R., Jr., and Paulleta.

Ora Morris Spink. In county and local politics and public affairs probably no citizen of Ohio has been more frequently and distinctively honored than Ora Morris Spink, of Painesville, present sheriff of Lake County.

Mr. Spink, who has been a resident of Northeastern Ohio for over twenty years, was born in the Village of Texas, Oswego County, New York, November 9, 1879, and represents a prominent American lineage. He had at least six ancestors in the War of the Revolution, namely: Lieut. William Vincent and David Crumb-Crumby, of Rhode Island; Joseph Denison and Joseph Rudd, of Connecticut; Robert Spink, of Massachusetts; and Ensign John Casterer, of New York. The mother of his paternal grandfather was Cynthia Castor. Her father, who spelled his name Casterer, and whose first name was John, was born at New London, Connecticut, July 16, 1748, and served with the rank of ensign in the Revolutionary Army and after the war drew a pension for his services. He was an educated man and a musician. He died at Ellisburg in Jefferson County, New York, May 21, 1835. The father of this Revolutionary soldier bore the name of John DeCasterer. Born of noble French family he left that country during the uprising against nobility, and at the age of nineteen came to America and settled in New London, Connecticut. This French exile married Lucretia Richards, who was

baptized October 24, 1731, and died at the age of ninety-six. The Revolutionary soldier, John Casterer, married Anna Calkins, a direct descendant of Elder William Brewster, who came over in the Mayflower. She was born in Lyme, Connecticut, May 9, 1745-46, was married in 1770, and died at Ellisburg, New York, October 25, 1835.

Elijah Spink, grandfather of the county sheriff, was born at Nobletown, Columbia County, New York, November 22, 1803, but spent most of his life in Jefferson County, that state. He was a son of Elijah Spink, Sr., and great-great-grandson of Robert Spink, born in Rhode Island November 10, 1738, great-grandson of Capt. Benjamin Spink, born in 1712; grandson Captain Ishmael, great-great-great grandson Robert Spink 1st. Elijah Spink, Jr., was one of the old time mechanics of surpassing skill, with trained hands and eye. He was a carriage maker and blacksmith, and did not only the rough work of his trade, but also made such things as clock springs and knives. He died at the Village of Texas in Oswego County, December 5, 1880. The wife of Elijah Spink was Wilhelmina Vincent, daughter of Thomas and Polly (Crumb-Crumby) Vincent. She is a descendant, through her mother, of John Howland, of the Mayflower; Capt. George Denison and his wife, Lady Ann Borodell, of Connecticut, and Lieut. Thomas Tracy of Norwich, Connecticut, who was descended from a long line of kings, beginning with King Eghbert, first Saxon King of all England. She was born at Russia in Herkimer County, New York, January 30, 1813, and died at Port Ontario, in Oswego County, November 13, 1892. Her grandfather, Dr. William Vincent, of Wesley, Rhode Island, was a surgeon and lieutenant in the Revolutionary Army.

Albert Milo Spink, son of Elijah Spink, was born at Depauville, Jefferson County, New York, in 1836, spent his early life in that and in St. Lawrence counties, was married at Ogdensburg, and he also became a carriage maker. In 1877 he moved to the Village of Texas, and in 1892 to Pulaski in Oswego County. He built up a prosperous business as a carriage maker, and died at Pulaski in February, 1901. He was active in local republican politics, and was affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal Church. Among other attainments he was noted for his splendid tenor voice, and took part in many musical events and taught singing schools. Albert M. Spink married Mary Ann Hemens, daughter of Sylvester and Maria (Box) Hemens, both born in England. Her grandparents, John and Ann (Robins) Box, came from England in 1833-35. She was born at Pulaski, New York, October 11, 1845, and died there August 15, 1913. She was the mother of seven children: Harlow E., a civil engineer in the Government service living at Oswego, New York; Wilhelmina Maria, who died unmarried at the age of thirty-two; Nellie Jane, who died in December, 1920, aged fifty, at Hannibal, Oswego County, New York, where her husband, Rev. Willis A. Havens, is a Methodist minister; Miss Alice Bertha, of New Haven, Oswego County, New York; Melzar Myron, a mechanic at Pulaski; Ora Morris; and Florena Mae, a graduate of the Spencerian Business College at Cleveland, Ohio, now a private secretary and stenographer at New Haven, New York.

Ora Morris Spink spent his boyhood days at Texas and Pulaski, New York, attending public schools and high school in the latter village. Leaving school at the age of eighteen, he worked for his father until the latter's death in February, 1901. After passing a successful examination under the United States civil service rule he was appointed a member of the United States life saving service, and in June, 1901, was assigned to duty at Fairport Harbor in Lake County, Ohio. Three years later he resigned, then going to work for the Cleveland, Painesville and Ashtabula Electric Railroad Company, working up to dispatcher. In June, 1906, by civil service examination, he was appointed a member of the Painesville city police department as patrolman, and in 1908 was promoted to lieutenant.

Mr. Spink's first election as sheriff of Lake County occurred in November, 1912. He was the republican candidate. On January 1, 1913, he began his first term, and in November, 1914, was reelected for a second two-year term. Not being eligible for a third successive term, in January, 1917, he took the state civil service examination for the office of superintendent of the Lake County Home at Painesville, Mrs. Spink at the same time taking the examination for the position of matron. They were chosen over eight other couples who were similarly examined, and on April 1, 1917, removed to the Lake County Home. They remained on duty there, giving a careful and considerate administration of the office, until January, 1921.

In November, 1920, Mr. Spink had the singular distinction of being elected sheriff of Lake County as an independent candidate, the first time an independent was ever elected to any county office in Lake County. It was also the first time any one who had previously served four years as sheriff was again elected to that office. In January, 1921, Mr. Spink began his first term and in November, 1922, was accorded reelection, this time on the republican ticket. In that election he received more votes than were given to any candidate on the national, state or county ticket. The sheriff's residence is at 132 East Erie Street, Painesville, Ohio.

Mr. Spink has other services to his credit. He spent four years on the Painesville Township School Board, and for two terms, six years, was a trustee of the Painesville City Hospital. While superintendent of the County Home he took an active part in the various local campaigns for the successful prosecution of the World war. Fraternally he was affiliated with Watertown Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Watertown, New York, belongs to the Union Encampment of that order, and Adams Lodge No. 350 of the Rebekahs. He is also a member of Painesville Lodge, Knights of the Maccabees; Painesville Lodge No. 549, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, State No. 2674; and Sons of the American Revolution, National No. 37031. He owns the old family homestead in Pulaski, New York, and also has a modern home of his own, built in 1917, at 503 South St. Clair Street in Painesville.

Mr. Spink married Miss Arta Mena Harrison at Little Mountain in Lake County, Ohio, August 10, 1904. She is a daughter of William D. and Almena A. (Tuttle) Harrison, grand-daughter of William and Phebe Flint Hopkins Tuttle. She was born in Mentor Township of Lake County, September 22, 1881, graduated in 1902 from the Painesville High School, from the Painesville Normal School in 1903, and for a year before her marriage was a teacher in Concord Township of Lake County. Mrs. Spink is a member of the Christian Church, is affiliated with the Rebekahs and her membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, National No. 181918, is based on the service of several ancestors in the war for independence. Isaac Messenger, a soldier of the Revolution, was her great-great-great-grandfather on her mother's side. Through her father she is a great-great-granddaughter of William Deming, Sr., a native of Scituate, Plymouth County, Massachusetts, who at the age of sixteen enlisted as a soldier, participating in the battles of Lexington, Bennington and Morristown, and who died at Elizabethtown in Essex County, New York. Another Revolutionary soldier and a direct ancestor of Mrs. Spink was Capt. Ebe-

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nezer Hathaway, who was born in Bristol County, Massachusetts, and who died at Freetown in that county in 1791. His son Shadrach, born in 1752 and died in 1780, was also in the army in the war for independence. Her great-great-grandfather, Walter Dean, born at Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1764, was one of the patriots from Bristol County, and died at Dalton, Massachusetts, in 1833. In addition to her Revolutionary ancestry Mrs. Spink is a direct descendant of Governor William Bradford of Massachusetts through his granddaughter, Hannah Bradford, who married Nathaniel Gilbert. Nathaniel Gilbert was of the family of the distinguished Sir Humphrey Gilbert, the explorer. She is also a descendant of John Alden and Priscilla Alden, and of Thomas Rogers, another Mayflower passenger.

Four children were born to the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Spink. Albert William, the oldest, born June 9, 1905, died August 15, 1907. The daughter Geraldine Ruth was born July 7, 1910. The two younger children, both of whom were born in the official residence of the sheriff of Painesville, are Roland Ora, born October 12, 1913, and Myra Jane, born August 17, 1916.

JOHN M. HOWARD, M. D., of Amesville, Athens County, Ohio, was born April 16, 1863. He is the only son of Peter and Mary (Wolfe) Howard. His great-grandfather, John William Howard, was born in England. Immigrating to this country he settled in Maryland. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. His ancestors belonged to an old historic and honored family of England. His grandfather, John Howard, was born in Maryland in 1796, and moved to Bedford County, Pennsylvania, about the year 1823. In 1827 he married Lydia Koons, whose ancestors immigrated from Germany and located in the same county. They were the parents of three sons: Mason, Peter and John. Mason and John lived and died in Pennsylvania.

Peter, the second son, was born near Everett, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, September 29, 1830. In 1848, when he was eighteen years of age, he moved to Athens County, Ohio, and in 1852, September 9th, he married Mary Wolfe. They were the parents of one son and five daughters: Amanda (Mrs. M. L. Fornwalt), Blair County, Pennsylvania; Lydia (Mrs. J. M. Brookins), Millfield, Ohio; Laura (Mrs. B. F. Roberts), New Castle, Wyoming; Elizabeth, widow of the late Dr. George E. Knode, Alexandria, Pennsylvania; Dr. John M., of Amesville, Ohio; Helen, of Millfield, Ohio.

Peter Howard was a farmer, and in 1861 purchased and removed to what is known as the Peter Howard farm, located in Dover Township, Athens County, near Millfield. He was a member of the Christian Church, an earnest worker for the welfare of the community and the advancement and improvement of the public schools. He was an officer of the church and a member of the school board for many years. He was a lifelong republican, and took great interest in political history. He was a good citizen, a highly moral and temperate man and was respected by all who knew him. He died November 13, 1908, at the age of seventy-eight years. Mary (Wolfe) Howard, the doctor's mother, was born October 15, 1829, in Athens County, Ohio. Her grandfather, George Wolfe, was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. His ancestors immigrated from Germany. In 1796 he came to Ohio with a company of pioneers and settled on the head waters of Federal Creek in Athens County. Her father, George P. Wolfe, was born at this settlement in 1805. In 1826 he married Elizabeth Wilkins. They were the parents of two daughters and ten sons. Six of the ten sons were soldiers in the Civil war. He died in 1856, at the age of fifty-one years. Her mother, Elizabeth (Wilkins) Wolfe, was of Scotch-Irish descent, and came to Ohio from Bedford County, Pennsylvania. She died in 1875, at the age of sixty-six years. Mrs. Howard was a woman of fine character and great ability. She was a teacher in the public schools before her marriage. She was a faithful wife and mother, and consecrated her life to her family and her home. She was a member of the Christian Church. She died January 21, 1924, at the advanced age of ninety-four years, three months and six days.

Doctor Howard spent his boyhood and early youth on his father's farm. He attended the public schools and normal schools, where he fitted himself for teaching. He taught in the country and village schools and for two years was principal of the Jacksonville schools. In 1892 he resigned the superintendency of the Buchtel schools and entered the College of Medicine known as the Starling Medical College at Columbus, Ohio. He graduated from this institution in 1895. After graduation Doctor Howard located in Jacksonville, Athens County, where he successfully engaged in his profession for three years. In 1898 he moved to Amesville, where he has earnestly and faithfully continued his practice and has richly earned a place in the ranks of the leading physicians of the county. He is an alumnus of the Ohio State University, and a member of American Medical Society and of the State and County Medical societies. He is a republican and is active in the affairs of state, of church and of school.

In 1899, May the 11th, Doctor Howard married Vinnie Adelaide, only daughter of James A. and Mary (Green) Henry. Doctor Howard is a trustee of the Presbyterian Church of which he is a member. He is a man of high ideals and noble character, and has won the confidence and esteem of the community he so faithfully serves.

JOHN D. RIGGS. One of the most modern undertaking establishments in Southern Ohio is that conducted in the City of Middletown, Butler County, by John D. Riggs, and in all departments he has brought the service of his establishment up to the best metropolitan standard.

Mr. Riggs was born at Moundsville, West Virginia, January 15, 1875, and is a son of Wesley C. and Amanda Jane (Hammond) Riggs, his father having been influential in political affairs in that section of West Virginia and having served many years as sheriff of Marshall County. The public schools of his native place afforded John D. Riggs his early education, and in 1894 he was graduated from the Pennsylvania College of Embalming, in the City of Pittsburgh. Later he was graduated also from the Massachusetts College of Embalming, in the City of Boston. In 1896 he was licensed as an embalmer in West Virginia, and in his native state he gained large and varied experience in connection with the general undertaking business. There he was employed in turn in the undertaking establishments of William Hicks & Company at Bluefield, D. L. Garrison at Morgantown, and the Palace Furniture & Undertaking Company, the A. C. Byha Company and Louis Bertschy, all in the City of Wheeling.

On the 22nd of July, 1905, Mr. Riggs established his residence at Middletown, Ohio. and opened undertaking parlors on Main Street. He later purchased a building on Broad Street, and there he successfully continued his business until 1923, when he sold the property to the White Star Oil Company, for a consideration of $75,000 and purchased a new site, one block north on Broad Street, where he forthwith instituted the erection of his present fine building, equipped both for his undertaking business and for residence purposes. Mr. Riggs here maintains the largest stock

of caskets and funeral supplies to be found in Southern Ohio. He was the first undertaker in Middletown to provide free ambulance service, and his establishment has a modern chapel for funeral services, together with all other metropolitan equipment and facilities.

In the Masonic fraternity Mr. Riggs has received the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite, besides which he is affiliated with the Mystic Shrine. He is a member likewise of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Protective Home Circle and the Knights of Pythias. He is a director of the Commercial National Bank of Middletown, and is an active and valued member of the Middletown Civic Association. He is a member of the Ohio Funeral Directors' Association and the National Funeral Directors' Association, besides having been formerly identified with the West Virginia Funeral Directors' Association. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On February 4, 1914, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Riggs and Miss Bertha L. Weishaar, daughter of Joseph and Anna (Weigold) Weishaar, of Middletown, her father being now deceased. Mrs. Riggs was graduated from the Middletown High School, and in her home city she is a popular figure in the representative social and cultural circles. She is affiliated with the Order of the Eastern Star, and is a member of the Middletown Music Club, the Woman's Club and the Ohio Federation of Woman's Clubs. She is specially zealous in the work of the local Methodist Episcopal Church, in which she formerly had charge of the music. The Riggs home, at 125 North Broad Street, is known for its gracious hospitality, with Mrs. Riggs as its popular chatelaine. Mr. and Mrs. Riggs have two children, John Dix and Anna Jane, aged, respectively, seven and three years (1924).

Within a short time prior to the obtaining of the data for this review Mr. Riggs admitted to partnership in his business his brothers, Mount D. and Benson W., both likewise natives of Moundsville, West Virginia, where the former was born October 29, 1886, and the latter on the 3rd of September, 1888.

Mount D. Riggs gained his early education in the schools of Moundsville, and at the inception of the World war he was employed in the undertaking establishment of his brother, John D., of this review, in 1916-17. He enlisted in the United States Army, and was for twenty-two months in service with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

Benson W. Riggs profited by the advantages of the public schools of his native town, including the high school, and in West Virginia he advanced his studies also by attending McMechen Academy. He has been identified with the undertaking business since 1911, and is a licensed embalmer. In Masonry he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, with membership in the Consistory at Dayton, Ohio, where also he is affiliated with the Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member also of the Loyal Order of Moose, the Modern Woodmen of America, the Middletown Civic Association, and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

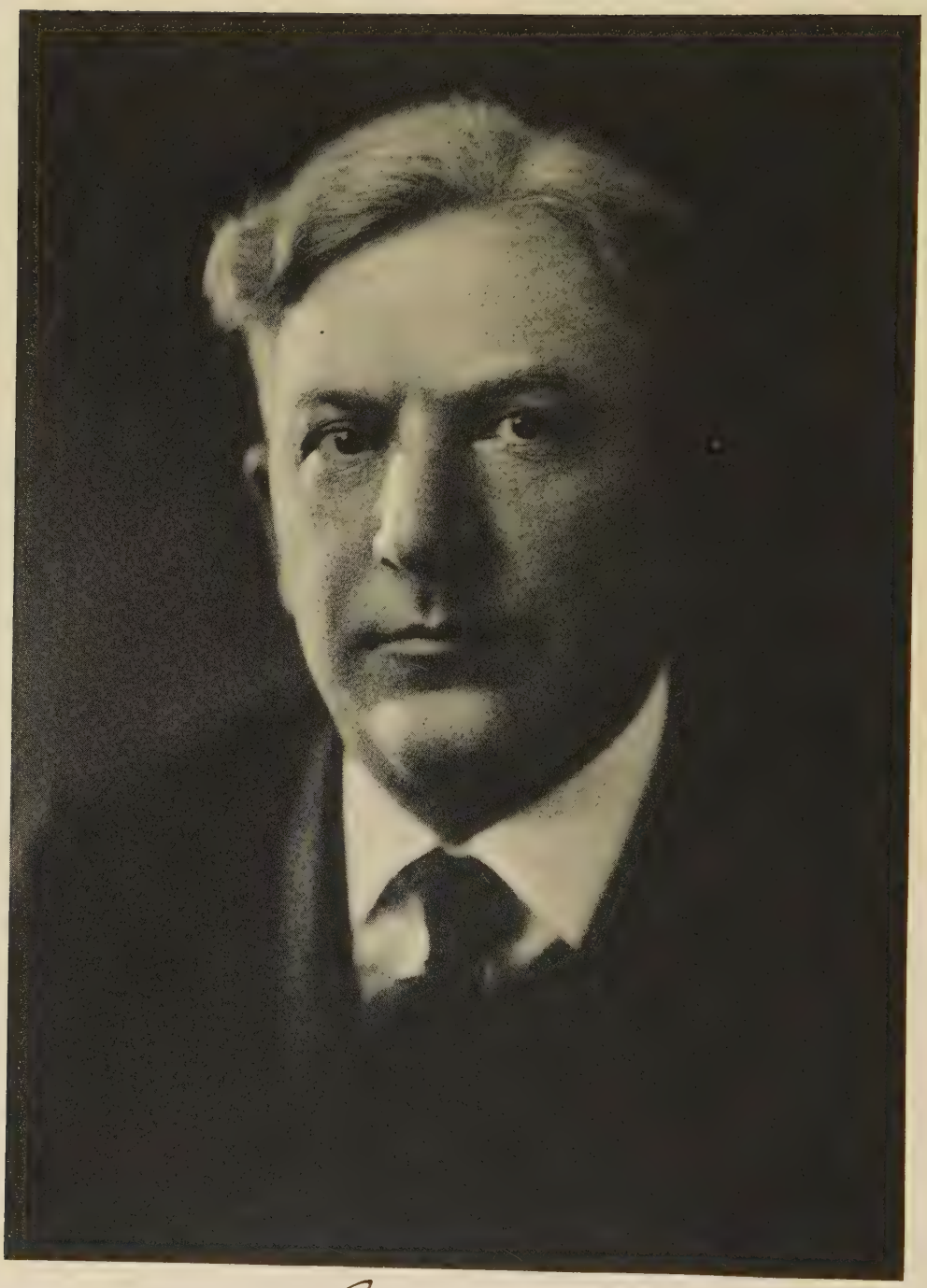
HENRY GRAEFE, M. D., is one of the popular and successful representatives of his profession in his native City of Sandusky, and represented Ohio in overseas service with the Medical Corps of the United States Army in the World war. He is a scion of a family whose name has been prominently and worthily identified with the history of Sandusky for nearly three-fourths of a century. He is a grandson of Dr. Philip and Dorothea (Kranz) Graefe, who were born and reared in the historic and picturesque old city of Wiesbaden, Germany. Dr. Philip Graefe received in his native land the best of educational advantages along both academic and professional lines, and was there graduated in a leading medical college. He was a young man when he came to the United States and engaged in the practice of his profession at East Orange, New Jersey, a place which is now one of the beautiful suburban districts of New York City. In the early '50s the doctor came with his family to Sandusky, Ohio, where he continued his able ministrations as one of the leading physicians and surgeons of Erie County until the time of his death.

Henry Graefe, father of him whose name introduces this review, long held precedence as one of the honored and influential citizens and representative men of affairs in Sandusky. He was the founder of the Citizens Bank, of which he became cashier, and of which he later served in turn as vice president and president, he having been the executive head of this institution at the time of his death, in 1919. He passed his entire life in Sandusky, and was one of its most loyal and progressive citizens. His wife, whose maiden name was Carrie Belle Moon, was born in Lorain County, Ohio, and since the death of her husband has continued to maintain her home in Sandusky.

After completing his studies in the Sandusky High School and attending for one year the Case School of Applied Science, in the City of Cleveland, Dr. Henry Graefe went to New York City and entered the great Bellevue Hospital Medical College, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1908. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was enabled to fortify himself still further through the valuable clinical experience which he gained in nearly two years of service in Bellevue Hospital, and in 1910 he engaged in the general practice of his profession in his native City of Sandusky. Here he built up a substantial and representative practice to which he continued to give his attention until the nation became involved in the World war, when he promptly subordinated all personal interests to the call of patriotism. On the 15th of December, 1917, he enlisted in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, and in March of the following year he was assigned to service with Base Hospital No. 1 in New York City. With this command he forthwith embarked for overseas service with the American Expeditionary Forces, and on the stage of conflict he continued his loyal and effective service until after the armistic brought the war to a close. He was mustered out April 21, 1919, and received his honorable discharge with the rank of captain in the Medical Corps. He then returned to Sandusky, where he has since continued his able ministrations in his exacting profession. The doctor is a popular and influential member of the Erie County Medical Society, and has membership also in the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He gave four years of effective service as city health officer of Sandusky. He is a republican in political adherency, is affiliated with the Nu Sigma Nu and the Kappa Sigma college fraternities and the American Legion, and he and his wife are communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

November, 1912, was marked by the marriage of Doctor Graefe and Miss Florence Lee Ryan, who was born at Kelloggsville, New York, in which state were likewise born her parents, the late Frank and Fannie (Lee) Ryan. Doctor and Mrs. Graefe have two children, Henry, Jr., and Mary Lee, the third child, Philip Elbridge, having died in infancy.

GEORGE F. HARTUNG, JR. The Hartung family is a well-known one in Erie County, and its members have long been connected with truck gardening and



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plant growing, in which they have attained to an expertness that is generally recognized. The ones who have achieved the most in this line are George F. Hartung, Jr., and his brother, Harold, both of Sandusky, two of the most enterprising young men of this locality, sons of George Hartung, Sr., who with his father conducted the business for years.

The Hartungs were established in the United States by the grandparents, Fred A. and Regina (Streit) Hartung, natives of Germany, but married in the United States. Following their marriage they settled on a farm in Erie County, Ohio. The maternal grandparents of George F. Hartung were Gotlieb and Dorothea (Buckner) Sturzinger, natives of Germany, who came while young to Erie County, and they, like the Hartungs, were truck farmers.

George F. Hartung, the father of the young men mentioned above, married Emma E. Sturzinger, like him a native of Erie County, and they settled on the homestead of thirty acres just outside of the city limits of Sandusky. They worked hard, and developed an excellent business, putting two and a half acres under grass for raising commercial vegetables, in which they had a large trade and also in plants which they raised. They continued to live on the farm, but on August 1, 1923, George F. and Harold Hartung bought the business, and since then have expanded it considerably, and, cultivating more land, are reaching out for the bigger markets.

George F. Hartung, Sr., and his wife have had the following children born to them: Margaret, who is the wife of O. L. Piper, of Sandusky; Harold, who is mentioned above, married Nora Troike, and they have one daughter, Bettie Ann; Gertrude, who is principal of the public schools of Sandusky; Dorothy and George F., twins, who are both at home, the former stenographer and secretary to Guy Manough, secretary and treasurer of the Sandusky Packing Company; and Wesley R. and Donald, who are also at home. The twins were born in Perkins Township, Erie County, April 8, 1902. George F. Hartung, Jr. attended the Sandusky graded and public schools. He belongs to Salem Evangelical Church. In politics he is a republican. Alert, thoroughly abreast of the times, the brothers Hartung are rapidly advancing and have a very bright future before them. Backed by the reputation for sterling honesty and conscientiousness in dealing by their family, combined with their ambition and the enthusiasm of youth, they are bound to go far in their present undertaking.

Charles Knapp. A native of Sandusky, Charles Knapp for thirty years has been a well known figure in its commercial affairs. In later years he has developed an important real estate business, his headquarters being on South Campbell Street.

He was born in Sandusky March 9, 1874, son of George and Barbara (Weidemaier) Knapp. His parents were natives of Wurttemberg, Germany. His father, who settled at Sandusky in 1868, was for many years successfully engaged both in the wholesale and retail meat business, retiring in 1920. His wife died about 1906.

Charles Knapp was educated in public schools, attended business college, and from early youth was employed in his father's establishment, learning every detail of the meat business. In 1910 he became associated with the Dorzbach Brothers in the establishment of a packing plant just south of Sandusky. After two years he sold his interests in that enterprise and since then has been more or less continuously engaged in the real estate business and in service as an auctioneer. However, for about a year, beginning in 1918, he was in the oil business in Southern Texas, with headquarters at Houston. Mr. Knapp has a large clientele in his profession as an auctioneer. In the real estate business he has developed and put on the market the Fairview Beach Company's property on Sandusky Bay, utilized for summer homes. In 1920 he opened a general store at the corner of Perkins Avenue and Campbell Street.

Mr. Knapp married in 1907 Elizabeth Lechler, a native of Sandusky and widow of Conrad Miller. By her first husband she had three children: Leontine, Norman and Dorothy. Mr. Knapp is a Lutheran and a republican in politics.

Arthur J. Hill, M. D. A specialist at Canton, in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, Doctor Hill had the benefit of ten years or more of training in the general practice of medicine. He is one of the ablest specialists in his line in Stark County.

Doctor Hill was born in Columbiana County, Ohio, October 14, 1871. He is descended from an old English family of which Sir Arthur Hill was a conspicuous member. Doctor Hill grew up on a farm, attended country schools, and while getting his higher literary and his professional education he taught for several terms as a means of defraying his expenses. He attended the academy at East Rochester, and in 1893 graduated Doctor of Medicine from the medical department of Western Reserve University at Cleveland. Following that he was engaged in general practice at Minerva, Ohio, for nine years. Before taking up his special line he spent two years of study in clinical work in the Polyclinic Hospital, Philadelphia, and the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary. In 1906 he located at Canton, and the work he has done has brought him a wide reputation as a specialist. He is a member of the County, State and American Medical associations and the American Academy of Ophthalmology, Otology and Laryngology. He has been president of the Stark County Medical Society.

During the World war Doctor Hill was a medical member of the county draft board. He is a Mason, and belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church. Doctor Hill married Miss Nettie Taylor in 1893. They have three children, Donald B., of Cleveland, Mrs. Edwin Raley, of Ohio, and Miss Miriam.

Wilbur Gideon Palmer, member of the law firm of Palmer & Elliott at Middletown, has practiced his profession for a quarter of a century, and has represented a large amount of important interests before the courts and has rendered much service in a public capacity.

Mr. Palmer was born at Lockland, Ohio, June 19, 1876, son of C. B. and Maranda L. (Dye) Palmer. His home has been in Middletown since early boyhood. He attended public schools there, studied law, and in October, 1898, was admitted to the Ohio bar. He has practiced before all the State and Federal courts, and some of the practice of the firm extends to other states. The law firm of Palmer & Elliott is now handling the litigation in behalf of the Methodist Protestant Church in the United States Court at Indianapolis against the Hawkins Mortgage Company. The same firm represents all the heirs on the maternal side in the Pugh Estate case now pending in the Supreme Court of Indiana. This case involves the construction of the law of descent in the State of Indiana.

Mr. Palmer throughout his professional career has been active in local affairs at Middletown. He was a member of the Charter Commission which drafted the commission form of government for Middletown, and as first city attorney under the new charter he served six years, and under the old form had been president of the City Council. He has been a local leader in republican politics, was a delegate to the State Republican Convention which endorsed the administration of President Taft. He served on the

Republican County Committee, and has proved his ability as a speaker in many exciting campaigns.

Mr. Palmer is one of the prominent Masons of Ohio. He is affiliated with the Lodge at Middletown, the Middletown Royal Arch Chapter, Hamilton Council, Royal and Select Masters, Middletown Commandery, Knights Templar, and belongs to the Scottish Rite Consistory in the Valley of Dayton and has been made an honorary member of the Supreme Council in the thirty-third degree of the Scottish Rite. He is also a member of Antioch Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Dayton.

Mr. Palmer married miss Naomi Butler, of Middletown, daughter of L. H. and Mary (McAdams) Butler. Mrs. Palmer was educated in the public schools at Middletown and the Conservatory of Music at Cincinnati, and is much interested in musical affairs in her home town. She is a member of the Woman's Music Club of Middletown. Four children were born to the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer: Douglas, born in 1905, now a student in Miami University; Nan, born in 1911, a pupil in the public schools at Middletown; Charles B., born in 1915; and George H., born in 1923.

Carleton William Finney. Since leaving the university with the degree of Mechanical Engineer, Carleton William Finney has been actively identified with the iron and steel industries of the Mahoning Valley. He is vice president and secretary of the Standard Boiler and Plate Iron Company at Niles, and is officially connected with a number of industrial and financial corporations at Niles.

Mr. Finney represents the eighth generation of the Finney family in America, which was established in New England as early as 1631. One of his ancestors, Josiah Finney, was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. Josiah Finney, a son of this soldier, came from his native State of Connecticut to the Western Reserve of Ohio in 1804, settling in Trumbull County. He was a captain of militia and a soldier in the War of 1812. He married Clarissa Bushnell. Their son, Theron L. Finney, who was born in Trumbull County, was for many years a merchant in his native community of Johnston. He married Lucy Eidelia Andrews.

Drayton Josiah Finney, oldest child of Theron L. Finney, was born at Johnston, Trumbull County, January 9, 1855, and has been a conspicuous figure in the commercial and civic affairs of Niles. He was educated in common schools, began work in his father's store at the age of thirteen, and after learning telegraphy was employed as an operator on the Erie and Pennsylvania Railroad systems from 1872 to 1883. In 1883 he became associated with his father-in-law, Dr. W. F. Ball, in the drug business at Niles, and subsequently became proprietor of the store and continued as such until 1898.

In 1906 he was associated with E. A. Gilbert in organizing the Standard Boiler and Plate Iron Company. He became secretary and treasurer of the company, and after the death of Mr. Gilbert, in 1920, became president and treasurer. He has also been president of the Home Savings and Loan Company and the Niles Trust Company, and president of the Niles Memorial Library Association. In 1903 he was elected county commissioner of Trumbull County, is a republican in politics, and is affiliated with Mahoning Lodge No. 394, Free and Accepted Masons; Mahoning Chapter No. 66, Royal Arch Masons; Warren Commandery No. 39, Knights Templar; and Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland.

Drayton J. Finney in 1880 married Miss Luella M. Ball, who was born at Harlem Springs, Ohio, in 1863.

Carleton William Finney, only child of Drayton J. Finney and wife, was born at East Liverpool, Columbiana County, Ohio, September 28, 1882. He was educated in the public schools in Niles, graduating from high school in 1901, after which year he went to work in a machine shop, where he remained until 1904, and then entered the Technical School of Ohio State University. He received his degree of Mechanical Engineer in 1908. For one year he was in the master mechanic's department of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Plant, and in 1909 became layer out of shop work for the Niles Standard Boiler and Plate Iron Company. He was promoted to assistant superintendent in 1912, and since 1920 has been vice president and secretary and a director. The plant and offices are in the northwest part of Niles. This is an industry employing about 125 persons, and manufactures a large and important line of tank and refinery equipment, the products being shipped all over the United States and to foreign countries.

Mr. Finney is also a director of the Storage Transfer and Supply Company of Niles, and the Dollar Savings Bank of Niles. He is a republican, a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Niles, and is affiliated with Mahoning Lodge No. 394, Free and Accepted Masons at Niles, and the Niles Chamber of Commerce.

His home is at 162 Sayers Avenue at Niles. He married in that city, June 11, 1911, Miss Mary L. Kerr, daughter of Alexander Z. and Margaret (Williams) Kerr. Her mother lives at Riverside, near Niles. Her father, who died at Niles in 1920, was a retired merchant and farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Finney have two children: Drayton Kerr, born August 19, 1914; and Margaret Ball, born January 19, 1918.

Albert F. Stahl is a native of Cleveland, where he had his early business training, but for the past thirteen years has been a resident of Youngstown, where he is well known in the coal trade circles.

Mr. Stahl was born in Cleveland, in 1881, son of George and Julia (Bierman) Stahl, his father a native of Germany and his mother of Pennsylvania. His father is a retired resident of Cleveland. Albert F. Stahl was educated in public schools, and, beginning at the age of eighteen, he spent three years in the stock room of the H. P. Nail Company and subsequently he was for three years timekeeper with the American Steel & Wire Company at Cleveland and was also employed in the meter department of the Cleveland City Water Works.

Removing to Youngstown in 1911, Mr. Stahl was associated with his brother in the drug business for seven years, and then he and Ebenezer Williams established a retail coal business. His headquarters are located at 203 W. Front Street.

Mr. Stahl married in November, 1902, Miss Ethelyn K. Neff, a native of Cleveland, a daughter of Louis and Anna (Hildebrand) Neff. Mr. and Mrs. Stahl had two children, Alden who died in infancy, and Adele Grace. Mrs. Stahl is a member of the Christian Church. In politics Mr. Stahl is independent.

Wilbur R. Meredith for over thirty years has been identified with printing, newspapers and various interests connected with the art of printing. He became a citizen of Painesville in 1909.

Mr. Meredith was born in the old village of Mount Union, now the Sixth Ward of the City of Alliance, on November 12, 1871. His grandfather was John H. Meredith, who was born in Chester County, Pennsylvania, in 1817, moved to Stark County, Ohio, about 1848, and settled in the friends' community near Mount Union. He was himself a member of the Society of Friends, coming from a noted community of those people in Pennsylvania. He was a farmer and contracting carpenter, and died at Alliance in

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1893. His wife, Hannah Wiley, was also a native of Chester County, Pennsylvania, and died in Stark County. Isaiah W. Meredith, father of Wilbur R., was born near Philadelphia, in Chester County, August 12, 1843, and was about five years of age when his parents removed to Stark County, Ohio. He was reared on his father's farm there, and in April, 1861, enlisted for service in the Union Army. At first he was in the Sixteenth Ohio Infantry, and subsequently was a member of Company I of the Fifth United States Cavalry. He served from practically the beginning until the end of the war, and participated in twenty-three major engagements. While with the Sixteenth Ohio Infantry he participated in the second battle of Bull Run. Afterwards in the cavalry he fought the battles of Shiloh, Gettysburg and the Wilderness, and many other campaigns of the West and in Virginia. In 1865 he returned to Alliance, where he died December 25, 1916. He was a democrat in politics and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Isaiah W. Meredith married Phoebe Rakestraw, who was born April 12, 1844, in Stark County, and now lives at Alliance. Her birthplace, four miles south of Mount Union, is now the farm on which is located the Fairmount Children's Home. The farm itself originally was called Fairmount. Isaiah W. Meredith and wife had a family of six children: Laura Lillian, wife of Charles O. Kille, Mary Eliza, wife of John W. Fawcett, Wilbur R., Miranda Irene, wife of William E. Hawn, Albert H., and Luella Grace, who married Arthur Schaub.

Wilbur R. Meredith was reared in Stark County. When he was sixteen years of age he left school and began learning the printing trade at Louisville, and a year later went to Canton and took a position on the Stark County Democrat. In 1909 he came to Painesville, and in 1914 became superintendent of the Educational Supply Company. This company, the largest concern in its special line in the country, does a general line of printing, copper plate and steel die engraving, and manufactures and handles an important line of educational and school supplies. The company owns its plant and offices on South State Street in Painesville.

On October 17, 1922, Mr. Meredith became editor and manager of the Lake County Herald, a newspaper established in 1899, democratic in politics, and has an extensive circulation over Northeastern Ohio. Mr. Meredith is a member of the Church of Christ, the Lake County Chamber of Commerce and the Painesville Kiwanis Club.

On August 5, 1894, at Alliance, he maried Miss Mary E. Davies, daughter of Evan and Eliza (Williams) Davies. Her parents are now deceased. Four children were born to the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Meredith. James Harold, the eldest, is a veteran of the World war. With the Sixth Marines he went to France April 19, 1918, and saw overseas duty in France and with the Army of Occupation, returning home August 13, 1919. He was appointed a sergeant, and participated in fourteen engagements, offensive and defensive, including Belleau Wood, Chateau Thierry, the Meuse-Argonne, and St. Mihiel. He now lives at Alliance, where he is assistant superintendent of the Alliance Agency of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. The second son, Mark Bertram, who is foreman in the Educational Supply Company at Painesville, also has a veteran's record, having been in service for eighteen months, at the Watervliet Arsenal in New York State. He was appointed a sergeant from Washington. The third son, John Paul, graduated from the Painesville High School in 1923, and is an employe of the Kintner Jewelry Company at Painesville. Wilbur Jr., is the youngest of the family.

George S. Tillotson was from the year 1898 the active executive officer of the Sterling Grinding Wheel Company, one of the important industrial concerns of Tiffin, Seneca County, and as general manager of this company his careful and progressive policies contributed in large measure to the cumulative success of the enterprise.

Mr. Tillotson reverts to the historic old Bay State as the place of his nativity, his birth having occurred in Berkshire County, Massachusetts, April 5, 1863, and the same state having been likewise the birthplace of his parents, George W. and Mary L. (Palmer) Tillotson, representatives of sterling Colonial New England families. George W. Tillotson was actively associated with farm industry in Massachusetts during virtually his entire business career, but he gave more or less attention also to contracting operations. Both he and his wife were well advanced in years at the time of their death, and both were zealous members of the Congregational Church. Of the four children three attained to years of maturity.

George S. Tillotson found his initial practical experience through his association with the activities of the old home farm, and the public schools of Massachusetts afforded him his early education. He had a natural predilection and talent for mechanics, and in his youth gained experience that developed his technical skill along this line. He has been associated with the manufacturing of grinding wheels during the greater part of his career, and in this connection he came to Tiffin, Ohio, and became connected with the Sterling Grinding Wheel Company in the autumn of 1897. He had active charge of the affairs of the company from January 1, 1898, until February 15, 1924, and as its general manager he ordered operations with marked discrimination and efficiency. He was a director of the company, which is capitalized for $100,000, and the products from the company's large and modern plant at Tiffin are shipped to all parts of the world.

Mr. Tillotson is a republican in political allegiance, and as a liberal and loyal citizen he has taken deep interest in all things tending to advance the civic and material welfare of his home city. He was one of the first safety directors to be appointed in any city in Northwestern Ohio, and of this position he has been the incumbent a long term of years. He has given admirable service also as president of the board of education at Tiffin, and was the first president of the first commercial club organized in this city. He is a member of the board of trustees of the local Young Men's Christian Association, and he and his wife are earnest members of the Methodist Protestant Church, in which connection both were members of the building committee having charge of the erection of the Tiffin church edifice of this denomination. This fine modern building was completed in 1924. Mr. Tillotson is past noble grand of the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Chester, Massachusetts, and in the time-honored Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a Noble of its Mystic Shrine.

The first marriage of Mr. Tillotson was with Miss Minnie Mixer, who likewise was born and reared in Massachusetts, and whose death occurred in February, 1903. The one child of this union is Vera, who is the wife of Ralph Sprague, of Tiffin. For his second wife Mr. Tillotson wedded Miss Mabel Chandler, of Tiffin, and the two children of this union are George C. and Frederick W., both students (1924) in the public schools of Tiffin, George C. being a member of the class of 1925 in the high school.

Frederick Moore. The Buckeye Realty Company of Middletown, of which Frederick Moore is proprietor, is an important organization through which

many large transactions have been carried out involving deals not only in local real estate, but in industrial lines, including coal and timber sites.

Mr. Moore, of this company, has had an extended experience in real estate and other lines of business. He was born in West Virginia, October 20, 1870, son of Alpheus and Lucinda (Yoak) Moore, of Belington, that state. His father was a fruit grower in West Virginia. Frederick Moore acquired his early education in the public schools, and in 1897 graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree from West Virginia University at Morgantown. Remaining in the university for post-graduate work, he secured his Master of Science degree in 1898. This liberal education qualified him for responsibilities in the educational world, and for one year he was a teacher in the State Reformatory at Pruntytown, West Virginia. Then followed several years of activity in newspaper work, and for eighteen months he was paymaster for the Belington and Northern Railway. He then resumed newspaper work until he came to Middletown, Ohio, in 1910.

The Buckeye Realty Company does business in coal and timber lands over the states of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Virginia and Pennsylvania. Another branch of the business is the insurance department, handling fire and tornado insurance. The office of this company is a room in one of the old residences of Middletown, now an office building in the heart of the city. It has unusual associations with Ohio history from the fact that the room in which Mr. Moore has his office is the one in which former Governor James E. Campbell was born, and former Governor James M. Cox at one time lived in the same building.

Mr. Moore is a member of the Middletown Civic Association, is affiliated with Grafton Lodge No. 308, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, in West Virginia, with the Phi Kappa Psi college fraternity, and is a prominent Baptist layman. He was clerk of the First Baptist Church in Middletown, and since 1919 has been a member of the board of managers of the Ohio Baptist conventions. He teaches the Brotherhood Bible Class. Mr. Moore married Miss Susie Smith of Breathitt County, Kentucky, in January, 1922. She is a daughter of William and Luella Smith, and finished her education in the Hazel Green Academy in Wolfe County, Kentucky, and was a public school teacher in her native state for three years. Mr. and Mrs. Moore have one daughter, Caroline, born in November, 1923.

Charles Joseph Krupp. Continuously since 1870, the name Krupp has been identified with the undertaking business in the City of Sandusky. Charles J. Krupp, who for thirty years was an active head of the business founded by his father, was one of the first students of the modern methods of scientific embalming, and enjoyed national distinction in his profession. In 1921 he was made an honorary life member of the Ohio State Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association, and in 1893 served that association as president.

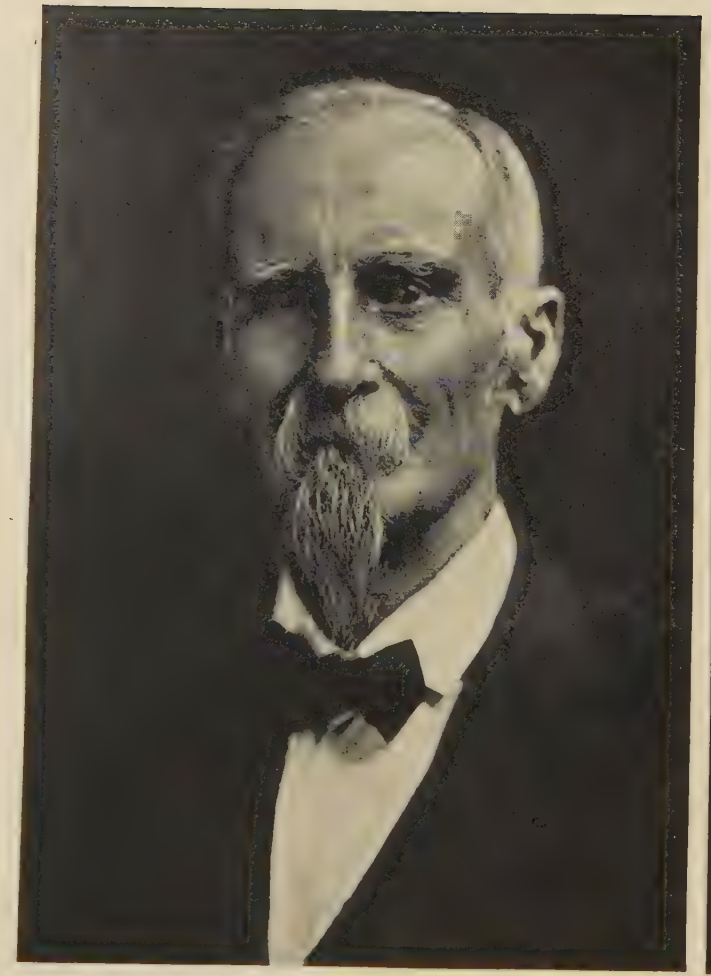
He was born in Sandusky April 28, 1857 and died May 14, 1924. His father, John Krupp, was born in Bavaria, Germany, January 28, 1822, and was eleven years old when, in 1833, his parents, Charles and Catherine (Schabacher) Krupp, left Germany with their family of ten children, and after sixty-two days on the ocean, traveled west from New York by river, canal and lake to Huron County, Ohio, and made permanent settlement in Seneca County, where they cleared a farm. John Krupp after finishing his education in the country schools of Seneca County, and after leaving the farm, served a three years apprenticeship at the cabinet making trade in Tiffin, Ohio, and for twenty-two years and two months was pattern maker in the Sandusky shops of the Sandusky, Mansfield and Newark Railroad Company. In 1870 he engaged in the furniture and undertaking business, and was active until 1895, and lived retired for a number of years until his death on February 25, 1911. He was one of the organizers and from 1886 until his death was vice president of the Citizens Bank of Sandusky, and was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. He married in Seneca County, February 6, 1849, Catherine Simon, who was born in Germany in 1827, only child of John and Catherine Simon.

Charles Joseph Krupp was reared in Sandusky, attended parochial schools, and at the age of eleven entered the Sandusky High School. He was there two years, and on May 1, 1870, at the age of thirteen went to work for his father. After eight years, he was made a member of the firm of John Krupp and Son, and in 1895, succeeded to the head of the firm of Krupp and Goebel, furniture dealers and undertakers, but since 1900 had given his exclusive attention to the undertaking branch of the business. In 1882, he was one of the class at Detroit who studied this being one of the first embalming classes held in this country. Since then he kept in close touch with all the advances made in his profession, and for many years had been a member of the Ohio State Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association, of the National Funeral Directors Association, and by appointment from Governor Herrick and Governor Harris, he served two terms on the Ohio State Board of Embalming Examiners, being president two years and secretary two years. For one year he was vice president of the State and Provincial Board of Examiners for the United States and Canada.

Mr. Krupp married November 5, 1878, Ida M. Palmerton, a native of Erie County, Ohio, and daughter of Joshua Evans and Sarah Maria Palmerton. The two children of this marriage are Ida Estella, wife of Thomas Arthur Hicks, of Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, and Ira C. J., whose home is in Connecticut. Mr. Krupp on June 12, 1907, married Mary Louise Buyer, daughter of Anthony J. Buyer. Mrs. Krupp was for fourteen years organist at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, is president of the Woman's Building and Rest Room Association, member of the Catholic Woman's Study Club, and prominent socially. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Krupp is carrying on the business. Mr. Krupp was Past Grand Knight of Council No. 546, Knights of Columbus, Past Exalted Ruler of Lodge No. 185, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, had served as Chief Ranger of St. George Court No. 238, Catholic Order of Foresters, was a member of Protection Tent No. 7, Knights of the Maccabees, Lodge No. 444 Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Woodmen of the World.

Wade E. Miller. There is perhaps no high school principal in the State of Ohio who carries more responsibilities than Wade E. Miller, principal of the Middletown High School. Mr. Miller has a large school under his direct supervision, and, being a man of tremendous enthusiasm in educational work, has not been satisfied merely with the routine of administrative responsibility, but has entered actively into many of the school's organizations and departments and has made it one of the finest high schools in the state.

He was born near Barberton, near the City of Akron, August 20, 1886, son of Martin L. and Alice (Strohl) Miller, of Barberton. His father was an educator, spending more than twenty years in school work in Ohio. Wade E. Miller acquired a liberal education, attending the grade schools of Norton Township, near Barberton, was graduated from the high school of Seville in 1903, and after leaving high



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school had four years of experience as a teacher in the public schools. He is a Bachelor of Arts graduate with the class of 1911 from Heidelberg University at Tiffin, Ohio, and since then in addition to opportunities presented in his own work he has pursued special courses and studies in psychology at Ohio State University, from which he received the Master of Arts degree in 1916, and has also done special work in the State University in educational subjects. From 1911 to 1917 Mr. Miller was professor of history and public speaking in the public schools of Fostoria, Ohio. He has been principal of the high school at Middletown since 1917.

His working program is one that takes up most of the hours of the day. He is head of the staff of forty-two teachers in the high school, and the enrollment of pupils is 933. He is ex-officio head of all the high school societies, twenty-seven in number, including the Debating Clubs, Dramatic Club, Literary Society, High School Newspaper, The Optimist, Boosters Club, with over 400 members, the Poster Club, the Vigilance Committee, the Minute Men, Radio Society, Chemistry Club, for research work; Music Club, Chorus Club, Boys' and Girls' Glee clubs, Orchestra, High School Band, Latin and French clubs, and various athletic clubs. Mr. Miller also personally conducts the intelligence tests by which the high school pupils are classified. For a number of years he has been a student of every subject entering into boys' training and education, and at all times has used his influence to promote athletics.

He is a member of the National Educational Association, the Ohio State Teachers' Association, the Southwestern Ohio Teachers' Association and the Southwestern Round Table Teachers' Society. While in Heidelberg University he represented his school on the debating team six times in intercollegiate debates. In York Rite Masonry he is a member of the Lodge Royal Arch Chapter, Council and Knights Templar Commandery, and is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. He belongs to the First Presbyterian Church in Middletown.

Mr. Miller married Miss Dora L. Ruf, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, daughter of B. and Mary Ruf. She is a graduate of the Fort Wayne High School, and was a student in Heidelberg University at Tiffin at the same time as her husband. She graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1912. She is a member of the Eastern Star and the Woman's Century Club of Middletown. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have three children: Wadena, born in 1913, a student in the sixth grade of the public schools; Martin, born in 1917; and Alice, born in 1922.

JOHN MERTZ. A practical hardware man and sheet metal worker, John Mertz has expanded his operations until he is now head of the active concern that manufactures tanks, skylights, ventilators, washing machines and similar articles, under the name of the John Mertz Manufacturing Company, of which he is the founder as well. In addition to his business interests Mr. Mertz has long been connected with constructive work in behalf of Sandusky, and is rightly numbered among the city's most representative citizens.

John Mertz was born at Sandusky, October 23, 1859, a son of Jacob and Teressa (Hemmerle) Mertz, natives of Wurttemberg and Baden, Germany, respectively. At the age of nineteen years the father came to the United States, and began working at his trade of a tinner at Buffalo, New York, where he remained until 1851, when he came to Sandusky. Subsequently he went into business for himself, and conducted his establishment until his death in 1914. The mother's arrival in this country took place when she was a girl of sixteen years, at which time she settled at Sandusky. Her death occurred in 1903.

Until he was fourteen John Mertz was a student of the public schools, but at that age he left, and after taking a business course, began working for his father. For three winters he attended the night sessions of the Sandusky College to further improve his mind. While he learned the tinner's trade, he also served as his father's bookkeeper. At the age of about twenty-three, having by that time become a married man, he was taken into partnership with his father and brothers, under the name of J. Mertz & Sons, hardware merchants and tinners. From then until the death of his father Mr. Mertz run the mechanical end of the business, but then sold his interest to his brothers, and started his present company at Water and Decatur streets. In 1916 he erected his present plant, a two-story building, 66x115 feet, and here he gives employment to from fifteen to twenty skilled sheet metal workers. This business is a very successful one, and its annual growth is steady and healthy.

On May 23, 1883, Mr. Mertz married Ida E. Feick, born at Sandusky, a daughter of Adam and Johanna (Fulton) Feick, natives of Germany and Pennsylvania, respectively. The former came to the United States many years ago and settled in Hardin County, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Mertz have one daughter, Alma E., who is the wife of Dr. D. D. Smith, Doctor of Dental Surgery, of Sandusky. She and her husband have two children, Elizabeth and Marjory. Mr. Mertz belongs to Grace Episcopal Church, of which he is a vestryman. He belongs to the Plum Brook Club and the Sunyendeand Club, of which he was trustee in 1923. He is an independent voter. Mrs. Mertz has been very active in public life, having served as president of the Federation of Woman's Clubs of Sandusky, and has been secretary of the Humane Society since 1900, and belongs to the Fortnightly Club. A lady of great sympathy and rare tact, she has long been a valued worker in various charitable organizations. Also active in Grace Episcopal Church, she has for some years been a trustee of its church guild, her labors in church work extending from childhood to the present time. She has traveled extensively over the country on sight seeing trips. She was for many years a member of the Board of Emergency Hospital which later became the Providence Hospital, and for a time was a member of the Board of the Good Samaritan Hospital. She was a charter member of the Woman's Building and Rest Room Association, and has served on several state committees for the State Federation of Woman's Clubs.

F. G. ROEHM since early manhood has been identified with the agricultural interests of the Willshire community of Van Wert County. He is also cashier of the Farmers and Merchants State Bank of Willshire, and has taken a hand in all the important interests of the community.

He was born in Willshire Township, July 26, 1872, and has lived at the old homestead where he was born all his life except for four years, from 1902 to 1906. He is a son of John and Rosine (Schumm) Roehm, both natives of Van Wert County and representatives of pioneer families in this section of Ohio. His father was born in Tully Township, December 22, 1842, and his mother in Willshire Township, January 1, 1845. They were married April 10, 1870, and a few years ago celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. After their marriage they located on a farm two miles east of Willshire, and remained there until 1906. They are now retired and living at Fort Wayne, Indiana. They have long held membership in the Lutheran Church at Schumm, and John Roehm was an elder in the church and in politics is a democrat. Of eight children seven are now living: Minnie, wife of F. G. Schin-

nerer, of Willshire Township; F. G.; Julia, wife of William Franke, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Pauline, wife of Fred Acker, of Fort Wayne, Indiana; L. J. Roehm, a graduate of Concordia Theological Seminary at Fort Wayne, and now a minister of the Lutheran Church at Norfolk, Virginia; Albert and Alma, both living with their parents at Fort Wayne.

F. G. Roehm grew up on the old homestead and attended the public schools nearby. He assisted his parents on the farm until he was twenty-one. Mr. Roehm married Miss Henrietta Schumm, of Mercer County, Ohio. They have eight children: Paul, Emanuel (a student in the International Business College at Fort Wayne, Indiana), Anna Frederick, George, Louisa, and Albert and Alman, twins. The family are members of the Lutheran Church at Schumm, and Mr. Roehm is one of the elders and is financial secretary. He is a democrat in politics. In addition to his duties as cashier of the bank he owns and operates his farm of 127 acres, and for a number of years has raised some of the fine stock in this section of his county. He is a stockholder in the Willshire Telephone Company.

Frederick L. Allen has rounded out a life of three-quarters of a century, and all the years since his boyhood have been filled with commendable activities. His business career made him a prominent figure in the commercial affairs of Kent, and no one has been more active in the line of public service to that community.

He was born at Akron, Ohio, July 10, 1848, son of Dr. Asa S. and Electa (Arms) Allen. His father was born at Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, and his mother at South Deerfield, Massachusetts. They were married in their native state, and in the early '40s came to Akron, Ohio, where Doctor Allen practiced medicine. From there he removed to Lisbon in Columbiana County, where his wife died. For a number of years his home was in Cuyahoga County, where he died. He had come to Ohio with his father, Henry Allen, who later died at the home of a daughter in Pennsylvania.

Frederick L. Allen attended the public schools at Berea, Ohio. When he was thirteen years old he began learning the printing business as an apprentice at Oberlin. About that time the Civil war came on, and he soon enlisted for service in the Third Ohio Cavalry. On account of his youth his father took him out of the army. However, in the spring of 1864, before he was sixteen years of age, he enlisted in Company D of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Volunteer Infantry. He was with the Army of the Cumberland in Tennessee, Louisiana, Texas, Alabama and elsewhere. He took part in some of the battles of the Atlanta campaign, was in the battles of Franklin and Nashville, and in many skirmishes. He was never injured. After his honorable discharge in October, 1865, he returned to Oberlin for several months, and then located at Kent, which city has been his home for nearly sixty years. For about four years he was a clerk in a drug store, learning the business, and for four years was a partner of Doctor Shively in the drug business. He then withdrew and established a drug store of his own, and for about twenty-five years made this one of the leading establishments of the kind in Kent. After selling his business Mr. Allen was retired until 1901, when he was elected county treasurer of Portage County. He was reelected and served altogether four years. When he left the courthouse he took up the general insurance and real estate business, but since 1916 has been retired. However, he is a director of the Williams Brothers Milling Company and of the Davey Tree Expert Company. He has been financially interested in a number of other local enterprises. He owns residential property, but sold the Allen Business Block along River Street.

In 1875 Mr. Allen married Miss Mary Bosley, a native of Geauga County, Ohio. To this marriage were born two children: Myrtie, wife of F. A. Kershaw, of Kent; and Louis F., who lives at Wadsworth, Ohio, and is the father of two children, named Frederick George and Bettie G. In 1904 Mr. Allen married for his second wife Nellie B. Wolcott, a native of Kent and daughter of Simon P. Wolcott.

Mr. Allen is a vestryman of the Episcopal Church. He is a Knight Templar Mason, and a member of A. H. Day Post No. 185, Grand Army of the Republic, which he has served as senior vice commander and chaplain. He is a member of the Twin Lake Golf Club. Mr. Allen was once a candidate for mayor of Kent. He served five years as trustee of the Springfield Lake Tuberculosis Sanatorium, being one of the promoters of that institution and was also its secretary for some years. He was one of the orginators of the Kent Board of Improvements, and held the office of secretary in that organization. He was a member and for a time chief of the local fire department, and he helped organize the first band at Kent.

George Lewis Behrens was born near Lancaster, Fairfield County, Ohio, December 12, 1869, being the youngest of a family of twelve children. His father, Ernst Henry Christian Behrens (known as Henry Behrens), a native of Landringhausen, Germany, crossed the Atlantic to America in August, 1848, the year of political upheaval in Europe in which so many sons of the fatherland sought liberty in the new world. He came direct to Ohio and cast in his lot with the early settlers of Fairfield County, where he followed the occupation of farming. He possessed to an eminent degree the thrift and industry characteristic of his race, and owned several good farms in the vicinity of Lancaster. He operated a large quarry on one of these and furnished the stone for many buildings in the county. He was one of the substantial citizens of the community, a devoted and active worker in the Lutheran Church and furnished all the stone from his quarries for the erection of Emmanuels Lutheran Church on Chestnut Street, Lancaster. He married Henrietta Christena Dorothee Hartman, who was born November 10, 1822, in Amt Wennigsen, near Hanover, Germany, eldest daughter of John Frederick William Hartman, who was a farmer by occupation and also came to America about 1847, at which time he chose Ohio as a place of residence.

Henry and Dorothee Behrens were the parents of twelve children, seven sons and five daughters: Henry W., William F., August H., Charles W., Sophie D., Dora M., J. Christopher., Minnie (1) C., John, Lena, Minnie (2) K., and George L. the subject of this sketch. Three, Minnie (1), Lena and John, died in infancy. The others all married and became parents of families.

George Lewis Behrens in his boyhood days was a pupil in district school Nos. 7 and 4 in Pleasant Township, the public school and the German Lutheran schools in Lancaster, Ohio, and Fort Wayne, Indiana. He was a youth when his father died, and at an early age he began working for himself. In April, 1882, his mother, an older sister and he came to Columbus, where he entered the employ of the Columbus Buggy Company. Subsequently he was employed by the firm of Turpin and Company and the Coleman and Felber Baking Company, and attended the Capital City Commercial College in the evenings, eventually completing his education in the college of travel and experience. In the spring of 1886 he went to Columbus Grove, Putnam County, Ohio, to live with one of his sisters, and while there he became an expert marksman with the rifle and gave many exhibitions in

trick and fancy rifle and pistol shooting. The following spring he returned to Columbus and secured a position in the tailoring establishment of J. P. Miller and Company as a salesman, and at various periods he gave fancy rifle shooting contests and exhibitions, carrying away championship prizes. One exhibition of special note was at Pleasantville, Ohio, in W. L. Buchannan's Opera House in 1888. He fired some 250 shots with the rifle, held in every conceivable position, including the use of a mirror. At this exhibition six peanuts were shot from off the head of an assistant in rapid succession. In April, 1889, he joined the Stowe Brothers Circus and Wild West Shows, acting as ticket agent and treasurer, and participated in the daily performances by giving exhibition rifle shooting and rough riding, ending his exhibition shooting and riding career in 1891 in a six weeks' engagement in the City of Cleveland, where he broke eighteen broncho horses and came very near losing his life while out on parade. The mustang he was riding slipped on the street car track and fell; the rider's hold on the pummel of the saddle gave way as the horse jumped up quickly; the rider fell back and with his foot caught in the stirrup was dragged for a block or more before becoming extricated from his perilous position.

In the fall of 1891 he entered the dramatic field and was successively with the May Henderson Company, the Carl Brehm Company and the Middaugh Musical Comedy Company and Gold Band in a tour of the Pacific Coast States, closing his connection with the last named company at Jefferson City, Missouri, in March, 1893. Returning home, he spent the summer on the farm with his brother at Maple Grove, Ohio. The following year he was connected with a stock company in Columbus, and was afterward with Rogers and Wolfe in the Way Down in Dixie Company. Subsequently he was engaged to play the leading and heavy roles with Daisy Beverly's Little Pansy Company, and with the Harry Choate Dramatic Company.

In 1896, upon request of his mother, he left the road and entered the grocery business, which he conducted for about a year, whereupon he again entered the theatrical profession, giving gun and drum major baton spinning exhibitions in amusement parks, theaters and at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha. Following its close he joined the Pringle Comedy Company, and was later with the Frank Reddick Stock Company in Denver, Colorado, remaining there until March, 1899, when he received tidings of his mother's death and immediately returned to Columbus.

On the 10th of October, 1899, Mr. Behrens married Etta C. Vincent, of Columbus, a daughter of Amos Vincent, who served as a soldier in the Civil war. Mrs. Behrens is an honor graduate of the College of Music and Oratory in Cincinnati, where she studied elocution and physical culture. She taught physical culture three terms in Belmont College, Nashville, Tennessee. By her marriage she has become the mother of one son, George Lewis Behrens, Jr.; he was born June 4, 1904.

In July, 1900, Mr. Behrens became connected with the life insurance business as agent for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, where he was soon promoted to the position as assistant superintendent. He resigned his position in November, 1902, to take the general agency for Central Ohio for the Washington Life Insurance Company of New York, and occupied that position until February, 1906, when he resigned to accept the state agency for the New Amsterdam Casualty Company of New York. He remained in the service of said company until February, 1913, at which time he became identified with the Columbus Mutual Life Insurance Company and was made managed of the accident and health department, a position he filled until May, 1914, when he left this company to organize the Globe Casualty Company of Columbus, Ohio, an Ohio corporation, and to his duties as secretary and managing executive he brought an unusual practical experience covering the insurance field and has made the company one of the most successful in the state. It is the oldest Ohio company writing all lines of accident and health insurance policies on the commercial, monthly and weekly premium plans, and he has won for himself an enviable position in insurance circles.

Mr. Behrens for over a quarter of a century has given freely and liberally of his talents and time to civic, military, church and fraternal organizations. He was a charter member of the Columbus Rifles, acting as sergeant of the band, and was also connected with the Fourteenth Regiment Band, Ohio National Guards. He was instrumental in organizing the West Side Board of Trade of Columbus, serving as its first secretary for several years. His political allegiance is staunchly given to the republican party, and for two years he has served on the republican county executive committee. He is a man of marked enterprise and determination, possessing strong executive force and his cooperation with any movement is sure to further its interest. He is a member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, and is now serving on the building committee of said congregation in the erection of their beautiful stone edifice at 24 E. Norwich Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

He became a member of Franklin Lodge No. 5, Knights of Pythias, of Columbus, the three ranks of knighthood being conferred upon him September 24, 1897, by special dispensation. He filled all the chairs in his subordinate lodge, served as county deputy grand chancellor in 1903 and district deputy in 1904, was an active member of the Past Chancellors' Association of Franklin County and presided one term over this body as president and was also one of the moving spirits in organizing the Pythian Association of Franklin County, serving one term as president. He planned and brought to a successful consummation the Central Ohio Pythian Jubilee, November 23, 1904, which has gone down in the history of the order as one of the largest Pythian gatherings ever held. Over 30,000 Pythians participated in the parade in the afternoon and over 500 candidates were initiated in the knight rank in the Old Goodale Street Auditorium in the evening. He served as representative to the grand lodge from 1905 to 1910, at which time he was elected grand outer guard, passing through each of the chairs in the grand lodge and presiding as grand chancellor of the order in Ohio from June, 1916, to June, 1917. He has been a faithful student of the great and learned Greek philosopher Pythagoras and is the author of a new Pythian ceremonial in which this character stands out prominently and which was exemplified at the Thirty-third Bi-annual Convention of the Supreme Lodge assembled in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, August 14, 1924, by request of the Supreme lodge officers, the title character being assumed by Mr. Behrens, assisted by his son, G. Lewis Behrens, Jr. This exemplification was enthusiastically received by the supreme lodge officers, representatives and a large attendance of the members of the order from all parts of the United States and Canada. He is also the author of a rearranged ritualistic ceremony of the knight rank as exemplified by the famous Knight Rank Team of Franklin Lodge No. 5 under his personal supervision. He has made a thorough study of all the written and unwritten ritualistic work, and has in all probability given more exemplifications of the unwritten work than any other member of the order. He has personally knighted upwards of a thousand candidates, and is regarded by the highest officials as the foremost ritualist of the order.

The highest honors have also come to him in the Ancient Order of Free Masonry. He became a member of Magnolia Lodge No. 20, Free and Accepted Masons, November 26, 1901; Enoch Lodge of Perfection, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, November 18, 1903; Franklin Council, P. of J., Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, April 21, 1904; Columbus Chapter, Red Cross, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, April 21, 1904; Scioto Consistory, S. P. R. S., Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, April 22, 1904; Aladdin Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, April 28, 1911; Ohio Chapter No. 12, Royal Arch Masons, May 2, 1912; Columbus Council No. 8, Royal and Select Masters, October 4, 1912; Mount Vernon Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, November 8, 1912. He passed through the chairs in Magnolia Lodge No. 20, Free and Accepted Masons, and presided as its master from December, 1917, to December, 1918. He was elected sovereign prince of Franklin Council, P. of J., in May, 1914, which office he has held continuously, and was again unanimously reelected in May, 1924. He served as the first patron of Light O'Day Chapter No. 472, Order Eastern Star, and was appointed grand sentinel of the grand chapter at the convention in Cincinnati in 1923 by Worthy Grand Matron Dr. Florence A. Meck. His masterful exemplification of all his ritualistic ceremonies has brought him fame throughout the fraternal world. He was crowned a thirty-third degree member of the Supreme Council, N. M. J., September 18, 1918, in Boston, Massachusetts.

Raymond M. Hughes, president of Miami University at Oxford, has been identified with that old and honored institution of higher education for over a quarter of a century as teacher or in administrative office.

Mr. Hughes, who is an alumnus of Miami, was born at Atlantic, Iowa, January 14, 1873, son of Melancthon and Emily (Mollyneaux) Hughes. At the close of his undergraduate days in Miami University in 1893 he received the Bachelor of Arts degree. From 1895 to 1897 he was a Fellow in chemistry at Ohio State University, taking his Master of Science degree there in 1897. Later, during 1907-08, he was a special student in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

He returned to Miami University in 1898 as professor of physics and chemistry, and held the chair of chemistry alone from 1904 to 1913. In the meantime, in 1908, he was made dean of the College of Liberal Arts, and on July 1, 1911, was designated as acting president and in June, 1913, was formally inaugurated president.

He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Delta Kappa Epsilon, and of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He served as secretary-treasurer of the Association of American Colleges from 1918 to 1921, as a member of the Executive Committee of American Council on Education, 1923—; and as secretary of the Commission on Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, 1923—.

In 1918, during the World war, he acted as educational director of the Students' Army Training Corps for the Sixth District. Mr. Hughes is a republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. July 11, 1901, he married Ella Brainerd Rogers, of Monmouth, Illinois.

Edgar W. King, librarian of the Miami University Library at Oxford, graduated from Oberlin College with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1916. In 1922 he received the Master of Arts degree from Columbia University, and in the same year was awarded a diploma by the Library School of the New York Public Library.

John Henry Fisher since boyhood has been identified with the glass cutting industry. He was an expert workman for twenty years or more, and for the past seven years has been identified with a cut-glass manufactring establishment at Oak Harbor known as the Oak Harbor Cut Glass Company. He is secretary, treasurer and general manager of this business.

It was established at Oak Harbor in 1917 as the Brilliant Cut Glass Company. The next change of management took the name of the Liberty Cut Glass Company, and from that it became the Oak Harbor Cut Glass Company. Mr. Fisher has been manager of the plant since it was established. The president of the company is George McCracken, of Detroit. This is a company manufacturing a fine line of the cut table glassware.

Mr. Fisher was born at Honesdale, Pennsylvania, April 15, 1871, son of John and Mary Fisher. His father in the early days was captain of canal boats on the Delaware and Hudson Canal. He served four years with a Pennsylvania regiment in the Civil war, suffering one wound in the hand, and also a sunstroke. In spite of that experience as a soldier and a very active life he is now eighty-six years of age. His wife is seventy-six, and they enjoy good health and reside at Honesdale, Pennsylvania. Their children were three sons, John Henry, Christ, a furnace man with the Libby Glass Company of Toledo, and Henry, a glass cutter in Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania.

John Henry Fisher acquired his education in the parochial schools of Honesdale, and learned the glass cutting trade with the P. E. Clark plant at Honesdale. As a boy he had worked as a slate picker in the coal mines. While at Honesdale he reached the expert trade known as cutter in the glass plant. From there he went to Toledo and was a cutter in the Libby plant for some years. He was with the Brilliant Cut Glass Company in Toledo until 1917, when he located at Oak Harbor.

Mr. Fisher married Miss Hattie Graham, of Toledo.

Rev. Joseph R. Waechter has the consecrated zeal and devotion and the administrative ability that admirably equip him for the exacting responsibilities and services that are his in his pastoral charge of the old and important parish of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in the City of Fremont, Sandusky County. The history of this parish, originally a part of that of St. Ann's Church, has been one of interesting order, and its record is one of broad and benignant service in this community.

Rev. Gabriel Richard, a French missionary, came to America in 1792, and was sixty-eight years of age at the time of his death, which occurred in Detroit, Michigan, in 1832. It is to be recorded that this zealous and devoted missionary priest visited and gave effective service in Sandusky County in the early pioneer days, and became one of the first emissaries of the Catholic Church in this section of Ohio. Here he held services in the homes of the various Catholic families, and in such ministration he was succeeded by other priests, who effectively carried forward the work. One of the number was Rev. Amadeus Rappe, who later became bishop of the diocese of Cleveland, in which he continued his administration from 1847 until his resignation in 1870, he having been venerable in years at the time of his death in 1877. Another of the early priests who likewise gave service at Fremont and other parts of Sandusky County was Rev. Father Joseph P. Macheboeuf. At Fremont the first high mass was celebrated by Rev. Martin Henni, who in 1844 became bishop of the

Milwaukee (Wisconsin) diocese and who was later, in 1875, consecrated archbishop.

In the original St. Ann's parish at Fremont the first resident priest to assume charge as pastor was Father Nightingale. In 1857 Rev. Father Francis X. Wenninger initiated the movement which resulted in the German element of Catholic people in the parish establishing an independent church, there having been previously but the one Catholic organization at Fremont, from 1842 to 1857, since which latter year there have been the two well ordered local parishes of St. Anns and St. Josephs. At the separation of the two parishes the original church edifice of St. Joseph's was erected. Father Mollen gave earnest and effective service as pastor of St. Joseph's Church, as did also his successor, Father Moos. September 21, 1862, Father Bauer assumed the pastorate, and his administration likewise was one of zealous and constructive order. Successive incumbents since that time have ably upheld the fine prestige that has ever attached to this important parish, in which there are about 500 Catholic families. The parochial school, with excellent buildings and general equipment, has a corps of fourteen sisters in charge of its various departments, its enrollment of pupils totals about 500 and the parish high school is on the accredited list of the State of Ohio. The church edifice is one of exceptional architectural consistency and attractiveness, and its beautiful interior is notable for the fine hand-carved woodwork, and ornate and beautiful ceiling, representing a high type of ecclesiastical art conception.

Rev. Joseph R. Waechter, present pastor of St. Joseph's Church and parish, is doing admirable service in furthering both the spiritual and temporal interests of his important charge, and his gracious personality and fine civic loyalty make him one of the popular citizens of Sandusky County, the while he manifests deep interest in all that concerns the communal welfare.

Father Waechter was born at New Washington, Crawford County, Ohio, the founders of the Waechter family in Ohio having come to this state, from Rochester, New York, about the year 1840. The lineage traces back to Alsace, France, whence came the first representatives of the name in the United States, about the year 1820.

Father Waechter completed a philosophical and theological course in St. Marys Seminary in the City of Cleveland, and on the 24th of May, 1902, he was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Horstman. For eight years thereafter he served as assistant priest of a leading Catholic parish in the City of Tiffin, Seneca County, and thereafter he was for ten years pastor of St. Joseph's Church at Crestline, in his native County of Crawford. In 1920 he was assigned to his present pastoral charge at Fremont.

EDWARD P. QUICK is a native of Sandusky, and for many years has been identified with the undertaking business. He was with the noted old time pioneer undertaker Krupp until the latter's death, and he has since established a business of his own.

Mr. Quick was born in Sandusky, in October, 1877, son of Philip and Fannie (Creeler) Quick. His father was born in England, but was married in Sandusky. He was well known in lake transportation circles, being a lake captain and marine engineer. He died in 1907 and his wife, in 1909.

Edward P. Quick grew up in Sandusky, attending the grade and high schools to the age of seventeen. For three years he served an appreticeship at the iron workers trade, and also spent some years in the butcher trade. It was in 1904 that he became an employe of Charles J. Krupp in the undertaking business. In 1906 he passed examination and was given a license as an embalmer, and after 1909 he handled practically all the embalming work of the Krupp undertaking establishment. Mr. Krupp died May 14, 1924, and on July 1, 1924, Mr. Quick engaged in business for himself, having his parlors and undertaking rooms at 1715 Columbus Avenue. He has a business and service that ranks with the best in Northern Ohio.

Mr. Quick married in 1906 Miss Mabel Hodges, who was born near Columbus, Ohio. The two children of that marriage are Charles and William, both at Sandusky. On March 4, 1921, Mr. Quick married Miss Jennie Snook, who was born at Van Lue, Ohio, daughter of Lindsey and Margaret (Taylor) Snook, her father a native of Van Lue and her mother of Carroll County, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Quick have one daughter, Margaret Alice. Mrs. Quick is a graduate of the Norwalk High School and a business college. They are members of the Congregational Church, and Mr. Quick is a republican and belongs to the Masonic Lodge and Grotto.

SAMUEL A. SCHIEBER learned the trade of carpenter in his youth, and the result of his work as a building contractor is found in practical evidence in many of the substantial homes and other buildings of Crawford County. At the same time he has been a farm operator and owner, and is on several accounts regarded as one of Bucyrus' most substantial citizens.

He was born in Liberty Township of that county December 21, 1872, a son of Jacob and Eva (Mann) Schieber. His mother was born in Stark County, Ohio, June 21, 1837. Jacob Schieber was born at Wurttemberg, Germany, in 1829, was brought to the United States when an infant, the family locating in Crawford County, where his parents spent the rest of their lives as farmers of Liberty Township. There Jacob Schieber grew up, acquired his education and married, and then took up farming. His home was in Liberty Township until his death in 1881. He had a farm of about 240 acres there, another place of 200 acres in Whetstone Township, and a farm of eighty acres in Holmes Township. He was a man of great industry and accumulated much property by his good management. He was a member of the German Lutheran Church and a democrat. Jacob Schieber and wife had nine children, and the seven now living are: John, Henry, David, Emanuel, Mary, Lizzie and Samuel A.

Samuel A. Schieber was reared on his father's farm, and acquired a country school education. At the age of seventeen he began learning the carpenter's trade, and until he was twenty-one he turned over all his wages to his father. After that he worked with various contractors in Bucyrus, and at the age of twenty-three started out for himself, and the scope and importance of his work as a contractor has steadily increased during the quarter of a century he has followed the business.

At the age of twenty-seven Mr. Schieber married Miss Mary Neff. After their marriage they bought a farm and lived on it for ten years. Mr. Schieber still owns 200 acres in Whetstone Township. He is also a stockholder in the Farmers and Citizens Bank of Bucyrus. Mr. and Mrs. Schieber have had their home in Bucyrus since 1910. They have three children: Howard A., born March 22, 1902, a graduate of the Bucyrus High School, now a junior in Denison University; Mabelle, born January 25, 1904, who is a high school graduate and is now attending Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware; and Evelyn M., born June 26, 1906, completing her junior year in the Bucyrus High School. The family are members of the Evangelical Church, and Mr. Schieber

is one of the trustees of the church. He is an independent in politics.

CHARLES W. SCHOEPFLE is a well known retired resident of Sandusky, and for many years was identified with the postal service of the city.

He is a native of Sandusky, where he was born in 1862, son of Christian F. and Sarah (Kniepfle) Schoepfle. His parents were born in Germany, but were married in Sandusky, and his father had a successful position for many years as a dealer in lumber and as a sash and door manufacturer.

Charles W. Schoepfle grew up at Sandusky, attended grammar and high schools, and at the age of fifteen began working in his father's shop. He was connected with this industry for fifteen years. Leaving the lumber business, he became a mail carrier in Sandusky, and for twenty-five years was with the postoffice, finally becoming a clerk in the main office. After five years in that service he retired on account of ill health, and now resides at 428 Jefferson Street.

Mr. Schoepfle married in 1886 Rosa Hoelzaepfel, a native of Erie County. Her parents, Christian and Fredericka (Seitz) Hoelzaepfel, were born in Germany and were married in this country, her father being a farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Schoepfle have two children, Karl C. and William Henry. Karl C., a resident of Cleveland, married Bessie Till, and has a son, Carl William. Mr. Schoepfle and family are members of the Lutheran Church. He is affiliated with the Modern Woodmen of America.

CHARLES SCHEID. Among the men who played an active and influential part in the business and civic life of Sandusky during the past half century, one name deserving particular mention was Charles Scheid.

He was born in Sandusky, June 4, 1857. His parents, William and Caroline Scheid, had come from Germany and were settlers at Sandusky, where his father was in the liquor business. Charles Scheid after finishing a public school education learned the tinsmith's trade, and after a few years became a brass worker. On the death of his father he took over the business, and conducted it for seventeen years. After closing it out he lived retired in his fine home at 1326 Central Avenue, where he died March 30, 1906, and where his widow now resides.

Mr. Scheid married, April 8, 1880, Christina Rupprecht. Mrs. Scheid was born in Sandusky, October 11, 1856, and her recollections of the city and its growth and development cover a period of more than half a century. Her parents were John and Caroline (Meyers) Rupprecht, her father a native of Hesse Darmstadt, and her mother of Bremen, Germany. As young people they came to Sandusky, were married there, and her father was a shoemaker by trade. Mrs. Scheid has three children: Albert Joseph, of Sandusky; Emma, wife of Alfred Wennes, of Sandusky; and Cora, Mrs. Allen Martin, of Sandusky. Mrs. Scheid attends the Christian Science Church.

GEORGE ARTHUR BROWN was well known in marine circles in Sandusky and other points around Lake Erie, being one of the lake captains who made their home in Sandusky.

He was born in Canada, in 1841, son of Joseph and Ann Brown, natives of England. George Arthur Brown grew up in Canada, and after a common school education went on the lake as a sailor, and had a steady progression through the various posts of responsibility, eventually becoming owner and captain of several lake passenger sidewheel steamers. He was owner and captain of the ship Arrow at the time of his death in 1910.

He married in 1869 Emma Larned, who was born at Sandusky in 1855, daughter of Jonathan, and Mary (Baker) Larned, early settlers of Sandusky, where her father was a boat builder and lake captain. A year after their marriage Captain Brown built the fine home at 427 Jackson Street, Sandusky, where Mrs. Brown resides. The children born to their marriage were: Verdi, married to James Stark at Toledo, Ohio; Von Daltion, who died at the age of four years; Vere Arthur, who died in infancy; and Victor Waldo, of Sandusky, who married Ruth Sanderson and has a son, Wayne Victor. Captain Brown was a Methodist, a republican, and a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason.

BYRON A. CROSIER was for half a century an industrious and capable citizen and business man of Sandusky, where his name and family are held in high esteem.

He was born at Vermilion, Ohio, February 5, 1844, son of Philander F. and Mary E. (Brooks) Crosier, and a grandson of John Crosier. His father was a native of England, while his mother was born in Vermilion, Ohio. Byron A. Crosier attended common schools in Vermilion, and for several years was in the service of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway Company. In about 1865 he moved to Sandusky, and was engaged in the grocery business a short time, and then went with the United States Express Company, serving as shipping clerk in Cleveland two years, and then returning to Sandusky and for thirty-five years was with the local offices of the express company. He was an expert in traffic rates and regulations, and from the express company he entered the service of the American Crayon Company, and was with that industry as shipping clerk for twenty-two years.

He married, May 6, 1869, Anzonetta Whitworth, who was born at Paterson, New Jersey, December 4, 1850, daughter of Jonathan and Nancy (Wallach) Whitworth, natives of England, and granddaughter of John Whitworth. Mrs. Crosier has one daughter, Elsie Elizabeth, who is connected with the American Crayon Company. Mr. Crosier belongs to the Bible Students Association and his family are all members of the Methodist Church. He is independent in politics. Mrs. Crosier is a member of the Relief Corps, and her daughter belongs to the business Girls' Association.

JOHN BECK. During a long period of years the late John Beck was one of the highly respected citizens of Sandusky, where he was engaged in the cigar-making business. His career was one in which he worked his own way upward from small beginnings to a position of influence and business prominence, gaining and holding the respect and esteem of those with whom he was associated.

Mr. Beck was born in March, 1847, in Germany, and was a youth when he accompanied his parents to America, the family first settling at Buffalo, New York. A few years later Mr. Beck came to Sandusky, and here applied himself to the trade of cigar-making, in which he was engaged for some years as a journeyman. His death at Gardenville, New York, in 1918, lost to this city one of its public-spirited citizens. Politically Mr. Beck was a stanch republican, while his religious affiliation was with the Presbyterian Church. Fraternally he was identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

On December 3, 1871, Mr. Beck was united in marriage with Miss Mary Stahl, who was born at Sandusky in April, 1851, a daughter of George and Eliza (Rhinemiller) Stahl, the former born in Bavaria, Germany, September 25, 1825, and the latter in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany. In 1834 Mr. Stahl accompanied his parents to the United States, the family settling

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at New York City, and subsequently moving to Erie, New York, where the parents died. Mr. Stahl came to Sandusky in 1848. In 1850 he embarked in the retail liquor business on Water Street, and for fifteen years continued therein, but in 1865 entered the wholesale liquor and tobacco business, and also conducted a popular restaurant, all of these enterprises being markedly successful. Mr. Stahl's progressiveness is shown in the fact that he manufactured the first ice cream sold at Sandusky, where he also brought the first celery for his restaurant patrons, while Mrs. Stahl had the distinction of bringing to the city the first baking powder. Mr. Stahl was also not unknown to public life. In his early years in the city he served as infirmary director, later he was chief engineer of the Sandusky Fire Department, and finally was elected county treasurer of Erie County, a position in which he served for one term. His death occurred February 22, 1912.

Mr. and Mrs. Beck became the parents of the following children: George Stahl, Arthur John, and Elsie M., now the wife of Daniel E. Welch, and the mother of two sons, George Edwin and Franklin William, all residing with Mrs. Beck.

THOMAS E. B. RISK. One of Sandusky's substantial and representative citizens is Thomas Emery B. Risk, who is engaged in the real estate business, and formerly for many years was identified with the United States Express Company. Mr. Risk is a self-made man, having won his way upward unassisted from boyhood, at the age of fourteen years being left alone, with but meager educational equipment and no available capital.

Thomas Emery Buchanan Risk was born near Haynes Corners, Ripley County, Indiana, January 23, 1869, a son of James M. and Charlotta (Gordon) Risk, the latter of whom was born in Ripley County, and the former near Barbersville, Indiana. He came from old pioneer stock, his paternal grandparents, James and Susan (Buchanan) Risk as well as his maternal grandparents, Dr. Jonathan W. and Mary (Shrieves) Gordon, belonging to the same era as Daniel Boone, when in Indiana and Kentucky the only safe refuge from the Indians were the block houses that marked for years many a tragic spot in pioneer history. The father of Mr. Risk served through the Civil war as a soldier in the Thirty-second Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and after his return to Indiana engaged in farming, but the hardships of army life had sapped his constitution and he died a victim of consumption in 1883.

For a number of years after starting out, dependant on his own efforts, Mr. Risk worked for famers by the month in the neighborhood of Lafayette, Indiana, then in the village for a short time, and after that tried soliciting for a business college, with courage and determination making every possible effort to honestly advance himself. Thus he accepted a job as truckman on the Lake Erie & Western Railroad, on which line he later became a brakeman and thereby came into touch with the United States Express Company, for which organization he worked for sixteen continuous years as agent on the above railroad between Peoria, Illinois, and Lafayette, Indiana. During this time he sought other business opportunities, as occasion offered, and in the handling of real estate found a congenial line of business, in which he embarked after retiring from the express company, in which he still has many friends among both officials and associates. After his marriage he settled permanently at Sandusky, in which city he has built up a substantial business connection and become a valued and respected citizen.

Mr. Risk married, November 9, 1898, Miss Sophronia Henkins, daughter of Leath and Nancy Ann (Lee) Henkins, of Jefferson County, Indiana, and they have five children: Gay, Thomas Raymond, Wilbert Lee Gordon, James Emery and Robert Charles Aaron. Mr. Risk owns his handsome, modern residence at No. 220 East Madison Street, and has other city property. With his family he belongs to the Christian Church. Fraternally he is a member of the Order of Maccabees, and in political sentiment has always been a democrat.

OLIVER F. RINDERLE is one of the prominent young business men of his native city of Sandusky, where he is the executive head of and owns the controlling interest in the Brown Clutch Company, one of the important industrial concerns of the city. His experience in connection with industrial affairs has been exceptionally wide and varied, as later data in this review will indicate more specifically.

Mr. Rinderle was born in Sandusky on the 13th of May, 1888, and is a son of Frank X. and Louise (Scherer) Rinderle, both natives of Germany. Frank X. Rinderle is now living retired, and still maintains his home in Sandusky, his wife having died in 1912, as the result of severe injuries she received when badly burned in an accident.

Oliver F. Rinderle attended the public schools, and at the age of sixteen years had completed a course in the Sandusky Business College and initiated practical service as stenographer in the office of a local business concern. As stenographer and secretary he continued his effective services for a term of years, and it may be noted that in 1906-7 he was sales correspondent for the National Carbon Company of Cleveland; that in 1908-9 he was secretary to Colonel Devol, chief quartermaster of the Isthmian Canal Commission at Panama; and that in the period of 1910-12 he was secretary to Hon. A. P. Davis, chief engineer of the United States Reclamation Service, Washington, D. C. In 1912 he returned to Sandusky and became assistant and secretary to the late J. J. Dauch president of the Hinde & Dauch Paper Company and the Dauch Manufacturing Company. In 1918 he was made president of the latter corporation, which was engaged in the manufacture of farm tractors, and in January, 1922, he assumed the office of treasurer of the Hinde & Dauch Paper Company. He severed his association with this corporation in January, 1924, when he purchased the controlling interest in the plant and business of the Brown Clutch Company, of which he has since continued the presidency. This company, with a modern plant of the best equipment, manufactures friction clutches and hoisting machinery, and maintains a foundry devoted to the manufacturing of brass, bronze, gray-iron and aluminum products.

Mr. Rinderle is significantly liberal and progressive both as a citizen and a business man, and at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1924, he is giving an effective administration as president of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce. He is an active member of the local Rotary Club and the Plum Brook Country Club, and he and his wife are members of the First Congregational Church of Sandusky, of which he is a trustee.

In June, 1912, Mr. Rinderle wedded Miss Ada E. Crass, who likewise was born and reared in Sandusky, and whose father, Martin Crass, was born in Holland. Mr. and Mrs. Rinderle have two sons, Oliver F., Jr., and Karl T.

FREDERICK W. GREEN, one of the prominent young men in financial affairs of the city and assistant treasurer of the Home Savings & Loan Company, the pioneer institution of its kind in Youngstown and the second largest savings and loan association in Ohio, was born at Youngstown June 24, 1888. His father, Fred S. Green, who was born in England, married Mary Davies, born in Pittsburgh, Pennsyl-

vania, and moved to Youngstown, where he spent some years in the steel mills of the Mahoning Valley until he became engaged in the contract painting and decorating trade.

Frederick W. Green received his education in the public schools of Youngstown. His first employment was selling newspapers, which he did for four years. In 1906 he entered the services of the Home Savings & Loan Company and has remained with this institution. All of his training has been received with this company and his natural ability has brought him the responsibilities he assumes as its assistant treasurer and building manager. He is also a director and assistant secretary and treasurer of the Abstract & Real Estate Company.

On August 4, 1914, Mr. Green married Ruth Hazel Haileston of Painsville, Ohio, a daughter of William and Lillias (McMillan) Haileston, who were born in Scotland. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Green are: Wanda Ruth, born August 29, 1916, and Billy Carlton, born August 29, 1918.

Mr. Green was formerly a member of the Wilson Avenue Baptist Church and superintendent of its Sunday school for eleven years but is now affiliated with the Central Christian Church. He is a republican and a member of the Masonic order.

Morison Remich Waite, Cincinnati lawyer, was born at Toledo, Ohio, December 13, 1866, son of Henry S. and Ione (Brown) Waite. He took his bachelor degree at the Yale University in 1888, his law degree in Cincinnati College in 1890, and since that year has been engaged in practice at Cincinnati, largely involving railroad and corporation law. He served as local attorney in 1905, as general solicitor from 1909 to 1917 of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railway Company, was general solicitor in 1911-14 of the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern, was general attorney for Ohio & Indiana of the Baltimore & Ohio system in 1917-18, and since 1918 has been general solicitor for the Baltimore & Ohio Railway, western lines. He has been active in the cause of good government at Cincinnati, serving on the executive committee of the Citizen's Municipal Party from 1901 to 1906; he is a trustee of Kenyon College, the Ohio Mechanics Institute, Diocese of Southern Ohio, and the Children's Hospital.

William Oscar Loudenslagel owns and conducts the Sandusky Business College, which he maintains at a high standard of efficiency in all of its departments, and he has incidentally the distinction of thus being the head of one of the pioneer institutions of the kind not only in Ohio but in the United States, as the Sandusky Business College is the lineal successor of the Buckeye Business College, which was here founded in 1865, by E. A. Hall. The college has given effective service during the long intervening years, and former students are to be found prominently identified with commercial and other lines of business enterprise throughout the Union—from Maine to California. The college has kept in line with the advances made in methods and mediums of business education, and under the present administration is giving its maximum service, with facilities of the best grade in all departments and with an able corps of instructors. The college is represented in membership in the National Association of Accredited Commercial Schools, the purpose of this organization being to advance the standards of individual schools, so that the entire system of privately controlled commercial schools may constitute a most valuable part of the educational machinery of the country.

Mr. Loudenslagel was born at Flat Rock, Seneca County, Ohio, October 28, 1885, and is a son of the late Wilson and Mary (Ware) Loudenslagel, his father having been for many years engaged in the operation of threshing machines. After his course in high school at Bellevue, Huron County, Mr. Loudenslagel completed a normal course in Heidelberg College, at Tiffin, in 1905. He made a record as a successful teacher in the district schools of his native county, and in 1906, became a student in the business college of which he is now the owner. From 1907 until 1918 he was a valued member of the faculty of the Sandusky Business College, and in the latter year he purchased the institution, which he has since conducted with unqualified success, the college being in active operation throughout the entire year.

Mr. Loudenslagel and his wife are communicants of the parish of Grace Church, Protestant Episcopal. He is a valued member of the local chamber of commerce and the Kiwanis Club, and is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity.

In 1911 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Loudenslagel and Miss Christina Loth, who was born and reared in Sandusky and who is a daughter of Joseph Loth. Mr. and Mrs. Loudenslagel have three children: William Oscar, Jr., Martha Ann and Mary Esther.

Otto Carl Holzaepfel is one of the representative business men of the younger generation in his native city of Sandusky, where he is secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Sandusky Tool Company. Mr. Holzaepfel likewise had the distinction of being one of the gallant young men who represented Ohio in overseas military service in the World war.

Otto C. Holzaepfel was born in Sandusky, on the 6th of February, 1888, and is a son of Frederick and Tena (Wagner) Holzaepfel, the father likewise having been born and reared in Sandusky and having here become a prosperous ice dealer. The subject of this review received the advantages of the public schools of his native city, including the high school, and thereafter completed a course in the Sandusky Business College. At the age of eighteen years he assumed the position of stenographer in the offices of the Sandusky Tool Company, in 1910 he was advanced to the position of bookkeeper, and in 1916 he became assistant treasurer of the company, the office of which he was the incumbent at the time he entered World war service.

In September, 1917, Mr. Holzaepfel enlisted in the Fifteenth United States Cavalry, with which he was stationed at Douglas, Arizona. In connection with the military remount service he went to France in March, 1918, and took a number of good horses to the front. He continued in service for an appreciable period after the armistice brought the war to a close, and, with the grade of squadron sergeant major, he received his honorable discharge September 9, 1919. In the following month he resumed his position with the Sandusky Tool Company, and of the same he has been the secretary, treasurer and general manager since January, 1921, William L. Allendorf being president of the company, and E. E. Stephens, its vice president.

Mr. Holzaepfel is aligned in the ranks of the republican party, has received in the time-honored Masonic fraternity the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a noble of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is serving at the time of this writing (1924) as excellent king of his chapter of Royal Arch Masons, as captain of the guard in his Council of Royal and Select Masters, and as standard bearer of the Commandery of Knights Templar. He maintains affiliations also with the American Legion and the Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Congregational Church.

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GUY MANAUGH, one of the organizers and the secretary and treasurer of the Sandusky Packing Company, has gained place as one of the vital and progressive business men of Sandusky, and his effective policies and management are making the success of his company one of constantly increasing tendencies.

Mr. Manaugh was born at Madison, Indiana, September 11, 1883, and is a son of Andrew and Louise Manaugh, the father having been one of the substantial farmers of that section of the Hoosier State, and the widowed mother being still a resident of Madison. Guy Manaugh profited by the advantages of the public schools of his native county, and thereafter took a course in a business college in the City of Indianapolis. For two years thereafter he was bookkeeper for a firm engaged in the meat business in the capital city of Indiana, and during the ensuing ten years he was a salesman in a meat-packing house at Logansport, Indiana. He next gave two years to the conducting of a meat brokerage business in the City of Detroit, Michigan, and it was after this experience that he came to Sandusky and effected the organization of the Sandusky Packing Company, of which he has since continued the secretary and treasurer, W. C. Routh being president of the company and J. H. Routh, its vice president.

In civic as well as business affairs Mr. Manaugh is distinctly liberal and progressive, and in national politics he supports the cause of the democratic party. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is affiliated with the Veiled Prophets. He has membership also in the Knights of Pythias, and is an active member of the Plum Brook Golf Club. He attends and supports the Presbyterian Church, of which his wife is an active member.

The year 1911 recorded the marriage of Mr. Manaugh and Miss Cordelia Routh, daughter of William C. and Sarah Routh, of Logansport, Indiana, her father, as noted in the preceding paragraph, being president of the Sandusky Packing Company. Mr. and Mrs. Manaugh have two children, William and Louise, and the son functions with vitality under the more familiar name of "Bill."

WILLIAM J. FISHER is a native son of Erie County and here has became one of the substantial business men of Sandusky, the metropolis and judicial center of the county, where he is secretary, treasurer and general manager of the Sandusky Sash, Door & Lumber Company, one of the important industrial concerns of the city. This company was organized in 1884 by the Bennett Brothers, and in 1905 the business was purchased by the J. M. Hastings Lumber Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In 1913 Edward M. Vietmeier became the sole owner of the business, of which he continued in control until his death in 1917. On the 1st of January, 1920 the business was incorporated under the present title, and the personnel of its official corps is here noted: E. H. Vietmeier, president; Mrs. Mary A. Vietmeier, vice president; and William J. Fisher, secretary, treasurer and general manager. The company conducts a general lumber business, and operates a well equipped planing mill and also a carpenter shop, with an average force of thirty-five employes throughout the entire year. The business is largely confined to Erie County, and proves a valuable adjunct to the service of the leading contractors and builders in the City of Sandusky.

William J. Fisher was born at Milan, Erie County, on the 21st of January, 1889, and is a son of John and Helen (Diehl) Fisher, both likewise natives of Erie County, the former having been a son of Anthony and Emma Fisher, who were born in Germany, and his widow being a daughter of Philip and Mary Diehl, who likewise were born in Germany, the respective families having long been established in Erie County. John Fisher was successfully engaged in the coal and meat business at Milan at the time of his death, February 26, 1921, and there his widow still maintains her home.

The public-school education of William J. Fisher included the discipline of the Milan High School, and thereafter he was graduated from the Sandusky Business College. His entire business career has been in connection with the concern of which he is now the general manager, as well as secretary and treasurer. He became a clerk in the office of this company in 1909, later served as bookkeeper and stenographer, was then advanced to the position of estimator, and that his efficient services have not lacked appreciation is shown in his being now the chief active executive of the company.

Mr. Fisher is a democrat in his political proclivities, he is an active and valued member of the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the local lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He and his wife are communicants of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

In 1915 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Fisher and Miss Alice Callan, who was born at Huron, this state, and whose parents, Barney and Bridget (McQuillan) Callan, were born in Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher have a fine son, William John, Jr., born February 1, 1922.

WALLACE F. JUDD is one of the leading young attorneys of the Youngstown bar, and has proved himself a broad minded and public spirited citizen, taking an influential part in many phases of the city's public, religious and social life.

Mr. Judd was born at Dixon, Illinois, September 4, 1890, son of Asa G. and Carrie (Fuller) Judd. His father was also born at Dixon, while his mother was a native of Ottawa, Illinois. Asa G. Judd since 1899 has lived at Warren, Ohio, and is now retired.

Wallace F. Judd attended Warren High School for two years, and in 1908 was graduated from a noted preparatory school, Wyoming Seminary, at Kingston, Pennsylvania. He then entered Princeton University, graduating Bachelor of Arts in 1912. He took his law course in the University of Michigan, graduating Bachelor of Laws in 1915. Mr. Judd was admitted to the Michigan bar in 1915, to the Illinois bar in 1916, to the Ohio bar in 1918, and on May 14, 1923, was admitted to practice in the United States District Court. After graduating in 1915 he became identified with the claim department of the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York in the Chicago office. In April, 1917, he was made examiner for the branch office at Kansas City, Missouri, and on October 1, 1917, came to Youngstown, where for five years he was an associate in the prominent law firm of Harrington, DeFord, Heim and Osborne. Since October 1, 1922, Mr. Judd has carried on an individual law practice, with offices in the Wick Building.

During 1917-18 he was a member of the Mahoning County Legal Advisory Draft Board. He is active in the County, Ohio State and American Bar associations, is on the Board of Governors of the Optimist Club of Youngstown, is a former president of the Princeton Alumni Association of Youngstown, a member of Dial Lodge of Princeton University, and belongs to the Chamber of Commerce. A republican, he acted as chairman of the Hoover Republican Campaign Committee for Mahoning County in 1920. He is a deacon in the First Presbyterian Church and a teacher in the Sunday school.

On October 16, 1915, at Scranton, Pennsylvania,

Mr. Judd married Miss Margaret Wylie, who was born in Rutherford, New Jersey, daughter of Henry C. and Katharine (Wynkoop) Wylie. Her father was a native of Brooklyn, New York, and her mother of Newtown, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Judd have one son, Wallace Wylie, born March 10, 1917.

JOHN GROVER HEYMAN is engaged in the wholesale and retail trade in Sandusky as a dealer in flour, feed and coal, with a well equipped establishment at 410 Reese Street.

Mr. Heyman was born at Monroeville, Huron County, Ohio, in the year 1884, and is a son of Frank William and Rose C. (Boehm) Heyman, both likewise natives of Huron County, where the former was born at Hunts Corners and the latter at Standersburg. John P. and Jeanette (Scheid) Heyman, paternal grandparents of the subject of this sketch, were born in Germany and became early settlers in Huron County, Ohio, where they passed the remainder of their lives. The maternal grandfather, John Boehm, likewise was born in Germany and became a pioneer settler in Huron County. Frank W. Heyman succeeded his father-in-law, John Boehm, in the flour milling business at Monroeville, and was one of the substantial citizens and representative business men of that place at the time of his death, in 1902, his widow passing away in June, 1911.

John G. Heyman continued his studies in the public schools of his native place until his graduation from high school in 1903, and thereafter he pursued a higher course of study by attending fine old Kenyon College at Gambier, Ohio. From June, 1905, until January, 1907, he was a traveling salesman for the Heyman Milling Company, and he then assumed the management of the company's branch in the City of Sandusky. He continued his effective service in this capacity until July 1, 1912, when he established his present independent business, as a wholesale and retail dealer in flour, feed and coal, large and substantial success having attended his vigorous and well directed activities in the management of this enterprise. He is a democrat in political qualification and allegiance, and is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Heyman has taken lively interest in the affairs of the Erie County Agricultural Society, and served one term as a director of this organization.

December 31, 1921, recorded the marriage of Mr. Heyman and Miss Ella Amelia Lee, who was born and reared in Sandusky and who is a daughter of Charles Frederick and Elizabeth (Pfisterer) Lee, the former of whom was born at Birmingham, this state, and the latter in Sandusky. John and Sarah (Brewer) Lee, paternal grandparents of Mrs. Heyman, were born in the Birmingham district of Erie County, and her maternal grandparents, Louis and Elizabeth (Buck) Pfisterer, were born near Massillon, Stark County. Mr. and Mrs. Heyman have a daughter, Rose Elizabeth, born February 3, 1923.

HENRY J. SCHILLER, attorney-at-law and successful realtor, is one of the well-known men of Sandusky and Erie County, and one whose present position is entirely due to his own efforts, for he is self-educated. He was born in Erie County, October 15, 1873, a son of George S. and Mary (Biegler) Schiller, natives of Bavaria, Germany, and Cincinnati, Ohio, respectively. She was a daughter of one of the first contractors of Cincinnati, who had his own brick yard and burned the brick, lime and other materials he used in his operations. George S. Schiller came to Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1854, and was married in that city. A gardener by trade, he worked at his calling there and after he located at Sandusky in 1861. His death occurred in this city in April, 1897, but his widow survives him and resides in Sandusky, although she is a very aged lady, having been born in 1838.

Mr. Schiller, of this review, had but few educational advantages, but he has always been ambitious, and after studying alone, was able to pass the high school examinations in 1905, and a year later the state bar examination, and was admitted to the bar in 1906. Immediately thereafter he entered upon the practice of his profession. In the course of his practice he became interested in real estate, and has handled property in various parts of the county, and is a recognized authority on real-estate law.

On September 15, 1897, Mr. Schiller married Lillian Virginia Lowe, born at McKeesport, Pennsylvania, a daughter of John A. and Anna (Leigh) Lowe, natives of Virginia and Pennsylvania, respectively. Mrs. Schiller attended the graded schools of Columbus, Ohio, and the high schools of Galveston, Texas. She traces her ancestry back in a direct line on the paternal side to a Revolutionary soldier, and to one of the War of 1812, and her father was a Union veteran. Mr. and Mrs. Schiller have no children. He was reared in the faith of the German Lutheran Church; she is a Baptist. In political belief he is a republican. Fraternally he maintains membership with the Masonic Order and with the Eagles. He holds Carnegie Medal Number 50 for saving the life of Wendell Tussing from drowning at Lakeside, Ohio, August 30, 1905. For this act of heroism Congress also bestowed upon him a silver medal. In this brave act, which resulted in saving a human being, Mr. Schiller risked his own life, and showed the courage inherent in his character.

LOUIS W. HERBEL. One of the most admirable features of modern humanitarianism is the maintenance of comfortable homes for the indigent in which they may pass the remainder of their lives. Far and wide the Erie County Home is known as one of the models of its class, and much of this reputation has been gained because of the efficient management of its superintendent, Louis W. Herbel, a practical farmer and good business man.

Louis W. Herbel was born at Sandusky, in 1855, a son of John and Catherine (Weir) Herbel, natives of Baden, Germany, who in 1852 located at Sandusky. By trade the father was a sawyer, and found ready employment in the sawmill at Milan, Ohio, during the period that lake boats were made in the shipyards at that point. Subsequently he bought a farm in Oxford Township, and on it he and his wife both died.

Growing up on this farm, Louis W. Herbel learned the fundamental principles of agriculture in his youth, and continued to reside with his parents until his marriage, in 1880, when he moved to Milan, but a year later began working on different farms. For some years he was engaged in operating a farm in Lime Township, but later moved to Sandusky and for five years was employed by the Hodgeman Manufacturing Company. From that concern he went to the Warren Electric Company as a mechanic, and continued with it until March, 1913, when he received his present appointment, resigning from his former position to take up his new duties. The home has a farm of 100 acres, and the land is operated at a profit and provides the inmates of the refuge with wholesome food.

On January 11, 1880, Mr. Herbel married Louisa Keller, born at Milan, Ohio, a daughter of Joseph and Barbara Keller, natives of Switzerland. Mr. and Mrs. Herbel have one son, Fred J., who is corresponding agent for the Matthews Engineering Company. He married Cora Marquart, and they have one daughter, Marjory. Mr. and Mrs. Herbel belong to the German Lutheran Church. He is a democrat, and has been active in local politics. A hard-working,

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frugal man, he has made good use of his opportunities, and is held in high esteem by all who knows him.

WILLIAM M. LUTTENTON, district agent for Erie County of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, with headquarters at Sandusky, is one of the ablest insurance men of Ohio, and a man whose knowledge of insurance and expertness in his line of business are unquestioned. Since coming to Sandusky he has not only built up his company's business, but he has won warm appreciation from his fellow citizens. He was born near Jonesville, Michigan, September 5, 1879, a son of Eugene B. and Clara Amelia (Housknecht) Luttenton, natives of Jackson County, Michigan, and Pennsylvania, respectively. The father was a farmer, and died January 23, 1884. The mother survives and makes her home at Concord, Michigan.

At the age of nineteen years William M. Luttenton was graduated from the high school of his native place, and then began working for the Western Union Telegraph Company, and continued with it for eighteen months, during that time being in different parts of the country. He then became a troubleman for the Bellevue Telephone Company, and in September, 1904, located at Willard, Ohio. Eighteen months later he was sent to Monroeville, Ohio, and spent the succeeding thirteen years in its environs, being manager of the telephone company of that locality. It was in 1912 that he entered the insurance field with the Ohio State Life Insurance Company as part time agent, but resigned his position with it in August, 1915, to become agent for the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, and made so excellent a record with that concern that in March, 1919, he was promoted to his present position, and has since then made Sandusky his home.

In December, 1903, Mr. Luttenton married Maude Benson, born near Jonesville, Michigan, a daughter of George and Mary (Culver) Benson, natives of Michigan and New York, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Luttenton became the parents of the following children: Ralph Benson, Harold Eugene and Mary Louise. Mr. Luttenton is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is secretary of the Men's Class, and while at Monroeville, served for three terms as superintendent of the board of public affairs. While he is a democrat, he is very liberal in his political views. The Masonic fraternity has in him a zealous member, and he is a past master of Roby Lodge No. 534, Free and Accepted Masons, of Monroeville. He also belongs to the Sandusky Grotto, Erie Commandery No. 23, Sandusky Lodge No. 285, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Kiwanis Club, being chairman of the classification committee of the club, and to the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce.

CHARLES PAIGE CALDWELL. The late Charles Paige Caldwell was a man of whom too much in praise cannot be said, for he was an honorable and upright man and good citizen, who for many years was connected with the affairs of Sandusky, first for a long period in an editorial capacity, and later as a public official. His career was filled with useful accomplishments and kindly deeds, and his memory is cherished by all who had the honor of his acquaintance.

Charles Paige Caldwell was born at Bristol, Ohio, January 27, 1852, a son of Eben Eckman and Harriet (Cox) Caldwell, natives of Trumbull County, Ohio. After he had been for a time a student of Hiram College, Charles Paige Caldwell was taken by his father to Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and placed on the large plantation in its vicinity which was owned by the older man. With the outbreak of the war between the North and the South they returned to Ohio.

It was at the age of seventeen years that Charles Paige Caldwell began his connection with the newspaper business, in a reportorial capacity, and gradually progressed in his work until in 1873 he came to Sandusky to become managing editor of the daily and Sunday Register, and held this responsible position for the succeeding twenty-years. Later he was appointed deputy collector of customs at Sandusky, and continued as such until 1922, when he retired. His death occurred February 10, 1924, terminating a life that had been spent in service for others.

In 1879 Mr. Caldwell married Sophia A. Bickley, born at Malone, New York, in 1860, a daughter of John and Sarah D. (Russell) Bickley, natives of Malone, New York, and France respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell had two children, Harriet C. and Harry E., the latter being unmarried and an express-messenger for the Pennsylvania Railroad. Harriet C. Caldwell is the wife of Edwin Bert Fenton, assistant editor of the Bronx Home News at New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Fenton have six children, namely: Charles B., who is sporting editor of the Sandusky Register, and Eben, Garwood, Maurice, Marian and Harry, all of whom reside at Sandusky. Mr. Caldwell was a stanch republican, but his time was too much occupied for him to desire political preferment.

STROTHER B. JACKSON. Among the attorneys of the younger generation practicing at the Dayton bar, none has made more rapid strides toward prominence and success in his profession that Strother B. Jackson. Mr. Jackson has been a resident of Dayton since 1914, but has been engaged in the practice of his profession only since 1921. During this time, however, he has made great progress, not only in his calling but in public affairs, and is one of the active democrats of Montgomery County.

Mr. Jackson was born in May 19, 1889, in Champaign County, Ohio, near Urbana, and is a son of James W. and Mary (Bird) Jackson, both of whom survive as residents of Delaware, Ohio, where James W. Jackson is a well-known building contractor. Strother B. Jackson was given the advantages of a public school education in Delaware County, Ohio, and was a member of the graduating class of 1908 at the Ostrander High School of that county. At that time he went to Marion, Ohio, where he secured employment with the Huber Manufacturing Company, but subsequently returned to Delaware and became associated with his father in the general contracting business. After being thus engaged for several years, in 1914 he came to Dayton and here entered the plant of the National Cash Register Company. It was while he was thus employed that he decided to adopt the law as his profession, but he was not possessed of means with which to secure the necessary training, and in the meantime was forced to earn his living. This problem he solved by working during the days and then studying law at nights in the office of Frank Krehbeil of Dayton, eventually going to Cincinnati, where he entered Judge Frank R. Gusweiler's well-known "quiz class." He was admitted to the bar in June, 1921, at which time he entered actively upon the practice of his profession, in which he has been engaged to the present, and now occupies four rooms in the Reibold Building, Dayton. From the start Mr. Jackson has been the recipient of some of the best kind of practice that falls to the lot of the attorney, and he now has a large and imposing clientele, including some of the leading business houses of the city. In 1924 he was chosen as the democratic candidate for the office of prosecuting attorney for Montgomery County. He has been a prominent figure in local democratic circles for several years, and prior to coming to Dayton had been a member of the Delaware County Central Committee of his party.

Mr. Jackson holds high rank among the legists of his adopted community, and in addition to being a

member of the various organizations of his calling, is president of the X-L Lawyers Club of Dayton. He also holds membership in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. All worthy movements pertaining to the betterment of his community have received his active support, and his standing as a citizen is high. Mr. Jackson is unmarried.

Henry Kuemmel. One of the industries that of late years has assumed important proportions is that of manufacturing non-alcoholic beverages, and one of the concerns that is successfully engaged in this line of production is the Bass Island Vineyards Company, manufacturers of unfermented grape juice. The excellent quality of the product of this company has led to large sales and extended trade connections until it is one of the leaders in its specialty in Ohio. The active president of this company is Henry Kuemmel, who since 1912 has been a useful citizen of Sandusky.

Henry Kuemmel was born in Germany, in 1860, a son of Johanes and Ann Elizabeth (Keim) Kuemmel, natives of Germany who died in that country.

Brought up on a farm, Henry Kuemmel remained in Germany until 1893, and in that year came to Sandusky and worked at whatever he could find to do for a year. Later he worked in the local vineyards and fisheries, and then, in 1901, went into partnership with a Mr. Hitchcock, and for a year was engaged in fishing. Subsequently he bought his partner's interest, and continued the business alone for fourteen years, and then sold it. In the meanwhile, with sagacious foresight, he had bought land on Middle Bass Island and began raising grapes. By 1906 he was cultivating twenty-two acres of vineyards, and with others organized the Bass Island Vineyards, a stock company of which he has been president since 1906. In 1912 he returned to Sandusky, and has since made this city his headquarters. Rudolph Siefield is vice president of the company; John W. Kuemmel is secretary and treasurer; and these gentlemen, with Peter F. Long, Stewart Fox, S. M. Johannsen and Henry Burggraf, form the directorate. In 1909 the company purchased lots on Campbell Street, and the following year built a large, two-story plant, a brick structure 125x80 feet, with boiler and steaming rooms.

In 1900 Mr. Kuemmel married Jennie Wilhelm, born at Sandusky, a daughter of John and Eilzabeth (Hein) Wilhelm, natives of Germany and Sandusky, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Kuemmel had the following children born to them: John Wilhelm, August Oliver Perry, and Conrad Henry, all of whom reside at Sandusky. Mr. Kuemmel attends the Lutheran Church. He is a republican, and while residing on Middle Bass Island served on the school board for eight years. Fraternally he belongs to the Knights of the Maccabees and to the Loyal Order of Moose, as well as to several social organizations. An excellent business man and good citizen, Mr. Kuemmel stands deservedly high in public esteem.

William Dallas Hoyer, M. D. One of the representative citizens and well established physicians of Sandusky is Dr. William Dallas Hoyer, who has served as city health officer and in other public professional capacities. He comes of old Ohio pioneer stock, and was born at Millersburg, Ohio, July 7, 1875, son of William Exline and Amada F. (Harriss) Hoyer, natives of Holmes County, Ohio. His father at one time was superintendent of the public schools of Millersburg, Ohio.

After completing his public school course at Columbus, William D. Hoyer pursued his studies in Ohio Wesleyan University and completed his medical course in the Ohio Medical University, from which he was graduated in 1900. Doctor Hoyer opened his first office at Columbus, and was engaged in medical practice there for four years, removing to Sandusky in 1904. After eleven years there he went to Cleveland, in 1915, where he remained for three years and was then at Columbus for four and one-half years, returning to Sandusky in 1923. He has built up a large and substantial practice here, and has high standing in his profession.

Doctor Hoyer married, April 14, 1897, Miss Helen Monroe, who was born at Columbus, daughter of Peter and Magdalena (Schneider) Monroe, the former of whom was born in Scotland and the latter in New York City. Doctor and Mrs. Hoyer have three children: Emerson Monroe, Helen M. and Doris K. The two latter were born in Columbus, Ohio, and both attended the Ohio State University. Doctor Hoyer is surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railroad. He is a member of the Ohio State and the Erie County Medical societies, and is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Mason and belongs to the Grotto.

Emerson Monroe Hoyer, a veteran of the World war, was born at Columbus, Ohio, January 29, 1898, only son of Dr. William D. and Helen (Monroe) Hoyer. He attended the public schools of Sandusky, and in 1917 was graduated from high school at Cleveland and then spent six months in the dental school of Western Reserve College. In April, 1918, he enlisted for service in the World war, entering the Medical Reserve Corps, was assigned to duty at Cleveland and was honorably discharged in December, 1918. After his military service was over he completed his education in Ohio State University, and in 1923 received his diploma entitling him to practice dentistry, immediately establishing himself professionally at Sandusky.

Dr. Emerson Hoyer married, May 15, 1924, Miss Viola H. Phillipp, born at Jamestown, Missouri, November 4, 1898. She is a daughter of Rev. Paul C. and Emma (Klefe) Phillipp, the former of whom was born in Saxony, Germany, and the latter at Claington, Ohio. Their present place of residence is Louisville, Kentucky. Mrs. Hoyer is a highly educated and accomplished lady, a graduate of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, and formerly teacher of modern languages in Martin College, Pulaski, Tennessee. She belongs to Greek letter fraternities, the Alpha Omicron Pi and the Phi Beta Kappa.

Dr. Emerson Hoyer took part in fraternal activities also while in college and preserves membership in the Delta Tau Delta and the Delta Sigma Delta fraternities, and belongs to the Kiwanis Club at Sandusky. He is a member of the Erie County Dental Association and the American Dental Association, and of the North Central and the Ohio State Dental societies. Like his father, he is a republican in his political views and is a member of the Masonic fraternity. All the family belong to the Methodist Episcopal Church.

C. S. Garrettson Lumber Company. On July 1, 1922, the C. S. Garrettson Lumber Company of Ashland, Ohio, established a branch at Sandusky, and placed the business in charge of Earl L. Zolman, its present efficient manager, who during the intervening period has developed a large trade in lumber and building materials in the city and vicinity. This is fast becoming one of the leading concerns of its kind in Erie County, as the main house is at Ashland.

Earl L. Zolman was born at Fredericktown, Ohio, February 11, 1888, a son of Lewis D. and Olive (Albert) Zolman, natives of Knox County, Ohio. After being graduated from high school, in 1907, Mr. Zolman clerked for a year in a grocery store, and then became yardman and teamster in a lumber yard. After four and one-half years of this work he went to Mansfield, Ohio, and was foreman for the Constance Lumber Company for two years. Going then to Ash-

land, he entered the employ of the Sharer-Kagey Lumber Company, and remained with that concern for six years, leaving it to assume control of the Sandusky branch of his present company, in which capacity he has proven his worth.

On September 8, 1909, Mr. Zolman married Mary G. Brentlinger, born at Fredericktown, Ohio, a daughter of Lewis and Eunice Brentlinger. Mr. and Mrs. Zolman have one son, Robert Eugene, who was born June 2, 1921. Mr. Zolman belongs to the Christian Church, and is active in its good work. His political convictions make him a democrat, and he believes that the principles enunciated by his party are those most likely to insure the best government of the people. As a Mason he is zealous in behalf of his order. The Kiwanis Club has in him an enthusiastic member and staunch supporter. Since coming to Sandusky Mr. Zolman has been active in civic matters, although not aspiring for public honors, and is recognized as a forceful factor in the life of the city. His firm is one of the most responsible in Ohio, and in addition to headquarters and the Sandusky concern, maintains branches at Wellington and Norwalk, Ohio. Because of its size and importance the company can quote prices and terms that are particularly advantageous, while at all fimes the stock is large and varied, and deliveries are prompt and satisfactory. The location in this city of a branch of so important a firm was regarded as a valuable addition to Sandusky's commercial interests.

Homer E. Black is a member of the Canton law firm of Herbruck, Black, McCuskey and Ruff. This firm handles a corporation law practice extending throughout Stark and adjoining counties.

Mr. Black is an attorney well qualified by education and natural ability and by long and successful experience. He was born in the Village of Bolivar, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, March 18, 1883, and attended the grammar and high schools there. At the age of sixteen he began teaching, and for the next six years taught school and read law. His studies were continued under the direction of Attorney John C. Welty, of Canton. In December, 1907, he was admitted to the bar, and then became associated with his preceptor, which continued until 1911, when he joined Clarence G. Herbruck in the practice of law, under the firm name of Herbruck and Black. In 1922 the firm was organized under its present title.

Mr. Black is a republican in politics. He is former president of the Stark County Law Library Association, and is a member of the Board of Trustees at present. He is vice president of the Stark County Bar Association, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite and Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, is president of the Lakeside Shrine Country Club, a member of the Brookside Country Club, the Canton Club and the Exchange Club of Canton. In 1909 he married Miss Nellie M. Tomer.

Fred J. Gillam. In business circles of the thriving community of Bloomville, Seneca County, the name of Fred J. Gillam is recognized as one that is synonymous with business enterprise and integrity. As the proprietor of an up-to-date pharmacy he occupies a position of importance in his community, where his influence has always been extended in behalf of high principles, civic advancement and good citizenship.

Mr. Gillam was born at Nevada, Wyandot County, Ohio, March 2, 1874, a son of James M. and Ida (Thatcher) Gillam. The father, a native of Wyandot County, born in 1852, was reared at Nevada, Ohio, where he acquired his education in the public schools, and in young manhood learned the trade of carpenter. This vocation he followed with some success until 1881, when he became a salesman and local agent for farm binding machines, and through this connection became general agent for the International Harvester Company, a position which he held until his death in May, 1904. He was a republican in his political views, but did not seek preferment at the hands of his party or his fellow-citizens. Mrs. Gillam, who was born in Seneca County, Ohio, still survives. They became the parents of five children: One who died at the age of ten years; Fred J., of this review; C. D., of Columbus, Ohio; Lucile, a graduate of the Nevada High School, and now the wife of E. W. Knapp, of Nevada; and Bess, also a graduate of high school, who is the wife of Joe Ricker.

Fred J. Gillam was reared at Nevada, where he attended the graded and high schools, and for several years after his graduation from the latter was variously employed at such honorable work as came to his hand. In 1896 he commenced as a drug clerk at Gibsonburg, Ohio, and, having decided upon this calling for his life work, took a course in pharmacy at Ada, Ohio, where he was graduated January 10, 1899. For one year he was pharmacist at the school, and he then returned to his former employer, Dr. N. B. Ervin, for whom he acted as manager until 1904. In that year he came to Bloomville and purchased his present establishment, which he has developed into a very successful enterprise. He carries a full line of drugs, medicines, sundries, toilet articles, candies, etc., and his honorable dealing and courteous treatment of patrons have combined to attract a large patronage to his store.

In 1901 Mr. Gillam married Miss Mae Lichty, who was educated in the public schools, and to this union there have been born three children: Maxine, a graduate of the Bloomville High School, who is now engaged in teaching; James F., a graduate of high school, who is assisting his father; and W. Carlyle, who graduated from the Bloomville High School in 1924. With his family Mr. Gillam attends the Methodist Episcopal Church. Fraternally he is affiliated with Eden Lodge No. 310, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master; Seneca Chapter No. 42, Royal Arch Masons. Politically he is a republican, but he has no desire for public preferment at this time, being fully engaged with the duties of his business. He has several business connections and is a director of the Exchange State Bank of Bloomville.

William Bishop McIntosh since the close of the World war has won an enviable position as a practicing attorney at Akron, where he has his offices in the Second National Building.

He was born at Clinton, Illinois, March 21, 1892, son of William Wescott and Grace (Bishop) McIntosh. He has spent most of his life at Akron, where he attended the grammar and high schools. He did his advanced college work and took his law course in the University of Pennsylvania, attending the Law School and the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce. He was admitted to the bar in January, 1917, having graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, Law School, in June, 1917.

From November 28, 1917, to December 21, 1918, he served with the rank of chief petty officer in the United States Naval Reserves. Since then he has been engaged in general practice as an Akron attorney. Mr. McIntosh is a member of the Summit County and Ohio State Bar associations, is affiliated with the Sigma Chi college fraternity and a member of the University Club. He is a Knights Templar Mason and a Shriner, being a former member of Al Koran Temple of Cleveland and is now a charter member of Tadmor Temple of Akron, Ohio. He was president of the University Club in 1923, and vice president of the Akron Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the Portage Country Club.

Mr. McIntosh married, July 20, 1918, Miss Elizabeth Currie.

CLYDE M. BORDNER. In any thriving and growing community one of the most important offices in the municipal government is that occupied by the chief of police. No community can attain substantial growth or advancement without the presence of strict discipline in the way of law and order, and thus it becomes the responsibility of the head of the police department to maintain lawful conditions and to protect the lives and property of those who make prosperity and progress possible. In this connection Tiffin is unusually fortunate in the possession of so virile and energetic a chief of police as Clyde McKinley Bordner, who during his occupancy of the office has heightened the standards of the department and established an excellent personal record for courage and efficiency.

Chief Bordner was born on a farm in Lykens Township, Crawford County, Ohio, April 26, 1894, and is a son of Levi and Mary (Waller) Bordner, natives of Crawford County, who were products of the agricultural region and secured country school educations. They passed their lives in agricultural operations, were highly respected people of their community, and faithful members of the Baptist Church, and were useful members of their locality. Mr. Bordner was a democrat in politics and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He passed away on his farm in 1911, following which Mrs. Bordner located at Tiffin, where her death occurred in 1920. They were the parents of five children: Pearl, Clyde M., Tracy, Osmer and Helen. Tracy, who is in the army, saw overseas service in France and Germany during the World war.

Clyde McKinley Bordner received his education in the district schools of Crawford County, and at Lykens, and lived on the home farm there until he was about seventeen years of age. At that time the father died and the widowed mother with her children moved to Seneca County, settling on a farm north of Tiffin. There the youth engaged in farming until the fall of 1915, at which time he secured a position as fireman with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Columbus. This post he held for two years, following which he returned to Tiffin, married and settled down. In 1922 he joined the city police force, and in the same year was appointed chief thereof by Adolph Unger. As before noted, his incumbency has been characterized by an elevation of the standards of the department thorough discipline and a record for thief-catching and prevention of criminal actions. Chief Bordner is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and has belonged to the Junior Order United American Mechanics for six years. In politics he is a republican.

Chief Bordner married Miss Dora E. Grimes, who was educated in the district schools of Seneca County, and they have two children: Dalton Harold, born in 1919; and Wayne Melvin, born in 1922. They are members of the Baptist Church.

C. A. WEIDAW. A substantial citizen of his community and a representative of its business interests, C. A. Weidaw, of Bloomville, a real estate man and insurance salesman, has been tried and not found wanting in official capacities. During the time that he served as postmaster of Bloomville he demonstrated his ability and desire to aid his community, and this has been characteristic of his entire career.

Mr. Weidaw was born in Carbon County, Pennsylvania, November 28, 1875, and is a son of Thomas and Priscilla (Shearer) Weidaw, both also natives of the Keystone State. The childhood of the parents of Mr. Weidaw was passed on farms, and each acquired their education in district schools. Following their marriage they settled on a farm in Carbon County, Pennsylvania, where they resided until 1880, Mr. Weidaw then disposing of his holdings there and moving to Eden Township, where he improved a property. Finally he took up his residence with his family in Bloom Township, where his death occurred in 1921. He was a stanch republican in politics, and one of the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the work of which he was active. Mrs. Weidaw, who survives him, is also a consistent member of this faith. They were the parents of six sons: F. E., of Delaware, Ohio; C. A., of this notice; H. A., of Akron; C. S., of Toledo; F. A., of Delaware, Ohio; and H. P., of Toledo.

C. A. Weidaw was reared on farms in Eden and Bloom townships and his education was acquired in the district schools and the Ohio Northern Normal School. Coming to Bloomville he became town marshal, a position which he held for several years, and at the expiration of his term of office entered the real estate and insurance business, to which he devoted himself uninterruptedly until he was appointed postmaster in 1913. He served in that capacity until March, 1922, since which time he has returned to his business affairs as a handler of realty and insurance. Mr. Weidaw has an excellent business and has transacted some large deals in choice real estate, both at Bloomville and in the surrounding country. In business circles his reputation is that of a man of sound worth and integrity.

Mr. Weidaw married Miss Halcyon L. Valentine, and to this union there has been born one child, Bernice, a graduate of high school, who is now a technician in a Toledo hospital. Mr. Weidaw is a member of Eden Lodge No. 310, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master; Seneca Chapter and Clinton Council. He has various business connections and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Exchange State Bank of Bloomville. As a public-spirited citizen he has always been ready to contribute of his time and abilities to the furtherance of worthy movements, and no enterprise for the public good is considered complete that does not have his support.

D. W. FELLERS, M. D. The town of Bloomville, Seneca County, has profited by the professional services of Dr. D. W. Fellers ever since he established his office and added his permanent citizenship here in 1904. He is one of the wide-awake and progressive medical practitioners of this part of the county, and numbers among his patrons many of the oldest and best families.

Dr. Fellers was born at Arcanum, Darke County, Ohio, January 6, 1874, and is a son of Harvey M. and Mary A. (Hursh) Fellers, natives of the Buckeye State. Harvey M. Fellers grew to manhood in his native state, and during the Civil war fought as a soldier of the Union with a regiment of Ohio volunteer infantry. At the close of his military service he returned to his home community, married, and settled down on a farm in Darke County, in the operation of which he spent the remaining years of his life. He was a man of industry and integrity, who enjoyed the esteem and good will of his fellow-men. He was a republican in his political support, although not a politician. His religious faith was that of the Reformed Church, to which also belonged Mrs. Fellers, who survived him until June 25, 1924. They were the parents of three children, of whom two are living at this time: Dr. D. W., of this review; and Eva, the wife of Edwin T. Wagner, a farmer of Darke County.

D. W. Fellers was reared on the home farm and attended the public schools at Arcanum, also taking a course in a normal school. He then entered Heidel-

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berg University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, this being followed by a course in the medical department of Ohio University at Columbus. He received his degree of Doctor of Medicine as a member of the class of 1902, and immediately began practice at Tiffin, but in 1904 settled at Bloomville, where he has since built up an excellent practice. He has a pleasing and confidence-inspiring personality, and his professional and general equipment has led him far toward his realization of a broad and exceptionally useful life. Doctor Fellers belongs to the Seneca County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. During the World war he enlisted for service in the United States Army Medical Corps, and after receiving his captain's commission was assigned to Base Hospital No. 111, which was located at Beau de Sert, France, and where he spent eight months. Doctor Fellers is a stockholder in the Exchange Bank at Bloomville. In politics he is a supporter of the principles of the republican party. Fraternally he belongs to Eden Lodge No. 310, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master; the Chapter, Council and Commandery at Tiffin, and thirty-second degree Mason, Valley of Toledo; and to the Knights of Pythias, of which he is a past chancellor. Mrs. Fellers is a past worthy matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, and past excellent chief of the Pythian Sisters.

In 1903 Doctor Fellers was united in marriage with Miss Grace LeCrone, a graduate of the Tiffin High School. They have had no children of their own, but are rearing an adopted daughter whose name is Zoe. Doctor and Mrs. Fellers are Consistent members and generous supporters of the Reformed Church.

CRAYTON E. WOMER. In the less extensive and populous villages and towns of a state the postmaster is very likely to be brought into contact with a greater number of the inhabitants and at more frequent intervals than any other member of the community. Few are the individual residents of either sex who do not become familiar with his presence and deportment, and cognizant of his habits and characteristics, and there are likewise few, on the other hand, even to the older children, whom he has not learned to know. With such an intimate relationship existing between the man conducting the postoffice, and the townspeople depending upon it fortunate and thrice happy is the incumbent of that office, when the people of his community have for him only words of commendation. Such is the favored position of Dr. Crayton E. Womer, who is the possessor of those qualities of candor, sincerity and affability, which give the best class of public officials a high standing in the estimation of those whose interests are entrusted to their care, and who is serving efficiently as postmaster at Republic, Seneca County.

Doctor Womer was born at Republic, March 13, 1869, and is a son of B. F. and Jennie E. (Breyman) Womer, the latter a daughter of Mahlon Breyman. The parents, natives of Pennsylvania, were reared, educated and married in that state, from which Mr. Womer enlisted in Company K, Second Pennsylvania Cavalry, during the Civil war. Following the close of his military service he came to Republic and became the proprietor of a general store, which he developed into a successful enterprise. A cooper by trade, he also established a stave factory, which was one of the large manufactories of its day, and this he also made a prosperous venture. In his declining years ill health overtook him, and he was forced to retire to a life of invalidism, eventually dying of a stroke of paralysis. He was a republican in politics. Mr. Womer never affiliated with any church, but Mrs. Womer, who still survives her husband, belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which she was for many years an active worker. They were the parents of four children, of whom one died in infancy, the others being: Drayton L. and Crayton E., twins, the former of whom is superintendent of the Pennsylvania Steel Tube Works; and Alice W., the wife of Aaron Miller.

Crayton E. Womer was reared at Republic, where he acquired a high school education. He then took a partial course in dentistry and became assistant to his grandfather, Mahlon Breyman, in the practice of that calling at Republic. After the elder man's death Doctor Womer took an examination from the State Board of Dental Examiners, and December 21, 1896, was certified as qualified to practice his calling. He is still engaged in practice and has a large and appreciative following. A republican in his political views, Doctor Womer has served as township clerk, member and clerk of the school board and member of the council, and May 12, 1903, was appointed postmaster of Republic, a position which he has occupied for eleven years. His conduct of the office met with the full approval of the community and in July, 1921, he was again appointed postmaster, an office which he still holds. Doctor Womer has a number of interests, and is a stockholder in the Republic Banking Company. As a fraternalist he is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Tiffin (Ohio) Aerie No. 402; Republic Lodge No. 165, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Chapter, Council and Commandery at Tiffin; Republic Lodge No. 40, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is a past grand; and he and Mrs. Womer are members of Rebekah Lodge No. 168, and of the Order of the Eastern Star, in which he is a past patron and Mrs. Womer, past matron.

On December 23, 1897, Doctor Womer was united in marriage with Miss Mattie B. Cummings, who until her marriage taught school at Republic. She is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

WILLIAM E. ROBERTS for the past twelve years has been one of the leading funeral directors in Dayton, a city in which he completed his education and in which he has had an active business experience covering almost a quarter of a century.

Mr. Roberts was born at Centerville, Ohio, September 23, 1887. His father, William H. Roberts, was a stock raiser at Centerville. William E. Roberts attended the Patterson School at Dayton and the Steele High School of that city, and his first regular employment after leaving school was with the National Cash Register Company at Dayton, in the foreign shipment department. He was also an employe of the Smith Grocery Company for several years. In 1911 he graduated in embalming from the Ohio State University at Columbus, and in 1912 was licensed by the State Board of Embalmers. In that year he engaged in the undertaking business on Warren Street. The place of business was destroyed in the great flood of 1913, and in the same year the firm of Walters, Moosburger and Roberts moved to 1919 South Brown Street, where Mr. Roberts continues the business today. At the end of three years Mr. Roberts bought out his partners, and has had the entire responsibility of management since then. He has a complete modern motorized equipment of ambulances, hearse and private cars, and has a complete funeral home.

Mr. Roberts is affiliated with the Junior Order United American Mechanics and the Knights of Pythias and its social branch, the Knights of Khorassan. He belongs to the Oak Street United Brethren Church; and is a member of the Old Conquerors Club of that church.

Mr. Roberts married in 1920 Miss Anna Southard,

of Dayton. She was educated in the grammar and high schools of Lebanon, Ohio.

A. T. Ward, who has had a remarkable diversity of experience in business affairs, and for many years was in the grain business, is now president of the Fostoria Storage and Transfer Company and one of the very active business men and citizens of Seneca County.

He was born in Boonville, New York, July 31, 1867, son of R. A. and Harriett (Davis) Ward. His father was liberally educated. He entered the ministry of the Wesleyan Church, and later became a Presbyterian, and devoted his life to this service. He died at Lakeland, Florida. There were two children, A. T. and Ella, the latter the wife of Fred L. Upson, a resident of Florida. In May, 1873, when A. T. Ward was six years old, the family moved out to Western Kansas, locating near Sterling, where Reverend Ward erected a big sod barn. That was in pioneer times, and shortly afterward Kansas was devastated by a visitation of grasshoppers. The government established a commissary department to feed the destitute homesteaders, and Reverend Ward was appointed commissary and the supplies were placed in the sod barn. The Ward family lived in that section of Kansas for eleven years, and during that time A. T. Ward attended a school taught by his mother. In the meantime, in 1878, the family moved to Barber County, Kansas, where A. T. Ward did work on a cattle ranch until he was sixteen. In 1880 his father was elected county clerk of Barber County, serving one term. The county seat was Medicine Lodge, a town famous as the home of sockless Jerry Simpson and Carrie Nation. A. T. Ward earned his first wages, of $8 a month, herding sheep. In March, 1884, the family left Kansas, traveling by wagon to St. Louis, down the Mississippi on steamboat to Memphis, and by railroad from Memphis to Jacksonville, Florida. A steamer landed them at Sanford, Florida, and in the fall of 1884 they reached Melburn. A. T. Ward reached his majority in Florida. For a time he was steward in a hotel at Rome, Georgia, and then went back to Atlanta for two years, being shipping clerk for a patent medicine company. While in Atlanta he met his future wife, and after their marriage he resigned from the medicine company and for a short time was in the subscription department of the Atlanta Constitution.

He returned North to Sheldon, Illinois, and was secretary of a company manufacturing a paper bag holder. Subsequently he became bookkeeper for Watkins, Lynch & Company, grain dealers, and was on the pay roll of this firm seven years. In the spring of 1897 the Watkins Company was absorbed by the Cleveland Grain Company, and Mr. Ward was kept at the Sheldon plant until the following November, when he was called to Cleveland, and continued in the grain business there until 1906. In that year he and W. E. Townsend formed the Townsend-Ward Company, grain merchants at Buffalo, New York. In 1915 they bought a controlling interest in elevators at Fostoria, Ohio, and since then Mr. Ward has been in business in this city.

Mr. Ward has three children: Russell D., member of the Smith-Ward Company of Buffalo, New York; Leon A., in the tire business with Henry J. Adams of Fostoria; Mildred, a normal graduate who is a kindergarten teacher in the Buffalo public schools. Mr. Ward is a Methodist, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and a republican.

Albert C. Hoyt is president of the A. C. Hoyt Company, one of the largest seed houses in the state, located at Fostoria. Mr. Hoyt has spent all his life in this section of Ohio, is a farmer by early training, and still owns and gives much of his attention to the management of two thoroughbred stock farms.

He was born near Fostoria, September 27, 1862, son of Samuel and Clarinda (Watson) Hoyt, natives of New York State. His father was born near Lyons, in 1829, and his mother, in 1832. They were reared and married in that state, and soon afterward came to Ohio and bought a tract of land covered with heavy timber in Bigley Township, Hancock County. Samuel Hoyt built a cabin in the woods, cleared and developed a farm of eighty acres, and though he went into debt on coming to Ohio in his later years he was ranked as a very substantial business man. He sold his first farm and bought other land, and finally retired, and he and his wife spent their last days in Fostoria. They were active members of the Methodist Church, and in politics he was a republican. There were three children: Josephine, wife of David Cole, of Fostoria; Jennie, wife of N. B. Niebel, of New Baltimore, Ohio; and A. C. Hoyt.

Albert C. Hoyt grew up on a farm in Hancock County, and supplemented his advantages in the public schools by attending Fostoria Academy. On October 16, 1887, he married Miss Althea Ogg, who was born near Cary, in Seneca County, Ohio, and was educated in the common schools.

After his marriage Mr. Hoyt continued farming in Hancock County for ten years, and in May, 1897, removed to Fostoria and engaged in the seed and wool business. He has kept improving and expanding this business, and it is now a large mail order house, selling seeds all over the eastern states. In 1918 he organized and incorporated the A. C. Hoyt Company, and since June, 1919, the company has occupied a new building, covering a fourth of a block. Mr. Hoyt is president of the company, Charles Burge, vice president, and H. J. Jefferies is secretary and general manager.

Mr. Hoyt is a land owner in Hancock and Wood counties, and for some years has specialized in the breeding of pure bred live stock and his annual sales are largely attended. He also specializes in farm grains, which he raises on Corn-Falfa Farm. His two farms in Hancock County are known as Corn-Falfa Farm and Oak Lawn Farm, the two comprising 380 acres. Mr. Hoyt is also president of the Hoyt-Brooks Hardware Company, a mail order house at Fostoria. He is a director of the Ohio Savings and Loan Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt have one daughter, Grace, born in July, 1892. She is the wife of Mr. J. A. Brooks, of the Hoyt-Brooks hardware business, and they have one daughter, Weldon Brooks. Mr. Hoyt is a republican, and for several years was a member and for one term president of the school board.

Joe M. Barrett, secretary and general manager of the S. C. Regulator Manufacturing Company of Fostoria, Ohio, has distinguished himself as an active, successful and prominent business man. He was born in Minnesota, June 15, 1885, and is the son of James J. and Pluma (Haines) Barrett. His grandfather was Michael Barrett, a native of the Emerald Isle, who there grew to manhood and married, then crossed the Atlantic and settled near Scranton, Pennsylvania. He became a miner, made life a success, and there passed the remainder of his days. Both he and his wife were devout and active members of the Catholic Church.

James J. Barrett was born near Scranton, Pennsylvania, and there grew to manhood, receiving, unfortunately, only a limited education. While still a young man, full of ambition and energy, he moved to Minnesota, and soon thereafter was married. He early exhibited such unusual business capacity that he was

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made foreman of bridges on the Great Northern Railroad. After fifteen years of steady progress and improvement he moved to Ohio and located near Fostoria, where he helped to construct the well-known Mennell Flouring Mills. Soon he became associated in business with the Mennell Company, and has thus continued for about thirty years. He took such keen interest in local city and county government that he was finally chosen a member of the Board of Control, where he continued to reveal his capacity for wise and efficient administration. He is a member of the Catholic Church, and is the father of four children: Joe M.; R. J., who is a foreman of the Akron (Ohio) Times; Florence, the wife of O. L. Wonderly, who is associated with the Union National Bank; and Esther, who is the wife of Ray Connelly, of Kirby.

Joe M. Barrett was reared in Fostoria, Ohio, and was educated in the parochial and the public schools, taking two grades in the latter, the fifth and sixth. At the unusually early age of fourteen years he left school and went to work, and continued thus until he was eighteen years old. Determined then to have a better education in industrial specialties, he went to Scranton, Pennsylvania, and took the L. C. S. course in mechanical engineering. Upon completing this course he accepted a position with the Jeffrey Manufacturing Company of Columbus, Ohio, and began as a tracer and later was a checker of a squad. He was thus engaged for two years, and then returned to Fostoria and became connected with the Review Printing Company, where he remained for several years. During this eventful period he became financially interested in the company and served as business manager for nearly two years. In October, 1912, having through sound judgment made rapid advances in industrial problems, he became business manager of the S. C. Regulator Company, and at the present date he and George A. Snyder own a controlling interest in the plant which under their wise management has increased the value of the company's interests about 800 per cent.

When well started in business he married Anna Wonderly, and by her had three children: James, Bettie and William. His first wife dying in May, 1918, he chose for his second marital companion Izma C. Egbert, member of a well-known and prominent family of Kansas City, Missouri.

Joe M. Barrett has become conspicuous not only in modern business competition but in attractive social and important public affairs. He is a member of the Catholic Church, of the Knights of Columbus, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is president of the Fostoria Country Club. Though independent in politics, he takes notable interest in all the vital problems which now perplex the city, state and nation.

George T. West is most effectively giving administration in an important office in connection with the municipal government of Tiffin, Seneca County, in which city he is serving as service and safety director.

Mr. West was born in Seneca County, on the 20th of February, 1858, and is a son of Alexander D. and Sarah M. (Swigert) West, the former of whom was born in Eden Township, this county, and the latter was born in Pennsylvania. She was a girl when her parents came to Seneca County, Ohio, and established their home on a farm in Scipio Township, she and her future husband having been reared on farms only a mile apart. Mrs. West received the advantages of Heidelberg College, and prior to her marriage was a popular teacher in the schools of her home county. After his marriage Alexander D. West continued as a substantial exponent of farm enterprise in Bloom Township until his death, which occurred in 1884, his widow long surviving him and having been a resident of Van Wert, this state, at the time of her death, in 1914. Both were zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Mr. West went forth as a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war, he having taken part in many engagements and having served during virtually the entire period of conflict. He was mustered out with the rank of sergeant, and in later years he vitalized his interest in his old comrades by means of active affiliation with the Grand Army of the Republic. Of the six children only one is deceased. George T., of this sketch, is the eldest; Minnie E. is the widow of E. M. Crowe; William J. resides at Van Wert and is deputy sheriff of Van Wert County; Corwin S. is a farmer in Van Wert County, where he is serving as township trustee of Hoagland Township; and Ella M. is the wife of George J. Heyman.

George T. West passed his boyhood and early youth on the farm, and supplemented the discipline of the public schools by attending Ohio State Normal School at Republic. After leaving school he learned and followed the trade of stonecutter, and in 1907 he was appointed a guard at the Ohio State Penitentiary, where he remained thus employed about eighteen months. Thereafter he built up a substantial business as a contractor in stone construction work, especially in connection with the building of bridges, and with this line of business he continued his alliance, with headquarters at Tiffin, until he assumed his present city office. He is a republican in politics, is affiliated with the Junior Order United American Mechanics, and in their home city he and his wife are active members of Ebenezer Evangelical Church.

Mr. West married Miss Ruthena Kershner, and all of their nine children are now married and well established in life, namely: Nellie B., LeRoy M., Pearl, Myrtle M., Minnie, Edward J., Donald, Grace T. and Hazel.

Jesse T. Grierson fills an important place in the citizenship of Dayton, being one of the younger groups of business men, and giving his interest and enthusiasm without stint to many worthy causes connected with church and social welfare.

Mr. Grierson, who is a funeral director by profession, was born at Ellsberry, Brown County, Ohio, July 24, 1897, son of James A. and Mary (Worstell) Grierson. His father for many years followed the profession of landscape engineer, but is now retired. Jesse T. Grierson was reared in Maysville, attending the grammar and high schools there, and came to Ohio to become a student in the National Normal University at Lebanon. He continued his education in Ohio State University, and in 1919 graduated from the Columbus College of Embalming and was licensed as an embalmer on June twenty-fifth of that year.

After two years in the employment of W. R. Smith, an undertaker, he opened his funeral home at 1500 East Third Street, and on November 1, 1923 moved his establishment to 1536 East Third Street, where he occupies a beautiful old brick residence, once the home of the noted Brownell family. This residence is finished throughout in walnut, and its spacious rooms readily adapt themselves to their present use. Mr. Grierson in addition maintains an ambulance service.

Fraternally he is affiliated with the Improved Order of Red Men, the Tribe of Ben Hur, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. He is active in Saint Paul's Methodist Church, and is a licensed minister of the Dayton District and West Ohio Methodist Episcopal Conference, though he has never filled a regular pastorate. He gives much time to local church revivals, and has cooperated with the Ministerial Association in civic movements at Dayt
He teaches a class of young men in Saint Pau

Church. Mr. Grierson is a member of the Liberal Club, Shakespearean Club, Debating Club, and is a director in the Buckeye Fishing Club, which maintains a camp in Michigan. He is also president and general manager of the Gem City Realty Company. During the World war he enlisted, but was rejected on account of physical conditions. He participated in all the home drives for the sale of Liberty Bonds and raising of funds for the Red Cross and Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Grierson is unmarried. Recently he has taken as a partner in his business Mr. A. C. Jackson, who for fifteen years was engaged in the undertaking business at Cincinnati, and is a graduate of the Cincinnati College of Embalming.

HENRY LEE WENNER, M. D., is one of the leading representatives of his profession in his native city and county, and has been established in practice at Tiffin since the year 1884. For the first fifteen years his practice was of general order, and since that time he has specialized in surgery, in which department of professional work he has gained high reputation and unqualified success.

Dr. Wenner was born at Tiffin on the 19th of September, 1861, and is a son of the late Edward and Susan (Thompson) Wenner. In the public schools of Tiffin Doctor Wenner continued his studies until his graduation from high school, and in 1882 he was graduated from the medical department of Western Reserve University, at Cleveland. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he initiated practice at McCutchenville, Wyandot County, and later he was for a time engaged in practice at Arcadia, Hancock County, but in 1884 he returned to his native county and established himself in practice at Tiffin. Here he has continued his able and faithful professional ministration during the long intervening period of nearly forty years, and he is now an honored dean of his profession in Seneca County. He is a member of the Tiffin Board of Health, and is affiliated with the Seneca County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. In the long years of his earnest professional stewardship Doctor Wenner has insistently kept in touch with the advances made in medical and surgical science, and in his large surgical practice today he brings to bear the most modern methods and accessories.

Doctor Wenner has been one of the wheel-horses of the republican party in this section of Ohio, and in 1896 represented his party as presidential elector when William McKinley was elected president. The Doctor is treasurer of the Ohio state organization of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, has passed the official chairs in the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and in the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a noble of Zenabia Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Toledo. He is an influential member of the Baptist Church of his home city, and in the same he is a member of the Board of Trustees.

The year 1886 recorded the marriage of Doctor Wenner and Miss Emma Huss, and they have two children: Dr. Henry Lee, Jr., a representative surgeon engaged in practice in the City of Toledo; and Marjorie, wife of R. F. Machamer, M. D., of Tiffin.

CARL W. BAUMGARDNER is one of the substantial and progressive business men of his native City of Tiffin, Seneca County, where he is now established in the manufacturing of cement products, with a plant of modern equipment and facilities. He was born in this city on the 18th of April, 1883, and is a son of Martin L. and Johanna (Eidt) Baumgardner.

Martin L. Baumgardner likewise was born and reared at Tiffin, and through his own ability and well ordered activities he here achieved large and worthy success in his business operations. As a general contractor, especially in brick-construction work, he developed a large and representative business, a number of the prominent business buildings and private houses of Tiffin standing as monuments to his skill and his fidelity in his chosen field of enterprise. As a youth he learned the trade of brick mason, and from working at his trade he advanced until he became one of the leading building contractors in his native city, his association with this line of enterprise having here continued until his death. Of his three surviving sons the eldest is Frederick J., who is a successful contractor and builder at Tiffin; Carl W., of this sketch, is the next younger; and A. M., the youngest of the sons, is associated in business in Akron, Ohio, with his brother, Carl W.

Carl W. Baumgardner gained his early education in the parochial and public schools of Tiffin, including the high school, and as a youth he went to the City of Cleveland, where he was employed as a mechanical draftsman in 1906-07. In the latter year he returned to Tiffin, and here he became associated with his father and brother in the contracting and building business. Upon the death of his father he assumed control of the business, which he continued until April 1, 1923, when he acquired the property now occupied by the firm at 47 Miami Street, his attention now being given to the manufacturing of cement products, largely for general architectural purposes, and building supplies. He is a member of the Exchange Club at Tiffin, Ohio, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the United Commercial Travelers. Both he and his wife are communicants of St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Tiffin. Mrs. Baumgardner, whose maiden name was Gertrude C. Ehrenfield, likewise was born and reared at Tiffin, where she was graduated in the Ursuline Academy. Mr. and Mrs. Baumgardner have four children, whose names and respective ages (1923) are here recorded: John, ten years; Mary, nine years; Martha, six years; and Elizabeth, three years.

JOSEPH W. PARKS. Seneca County has had in the years of its history many able incumbents of the office of sheriff, and in this office Mr. Parks is at the present time giving an administration that fully measures up to the high standard set by the most efficient of his predecessors in the office.

Mr. Parks was born in Coshocton County, Ohio, on the 16th of June, 1858, and is a son of Jonathan an Catherine (Parks) Parks, who, though of the same family name, were of no kinship. Jonathan Parks was born in the State of New York, and his wife was born in Coshocton County, Ohio, where their marriage was solemnized. Mr. Parks was a boy at the time his parents came from the old Empire State to Ohio and established their home in Coshocton County, where he was reared to maturity and received his youthful education. Jonathan Parks was long engaged in saw-milling operations, and with this line of enterprise he continued his alliance until his tragic death, he having been killed in the explosion of the boiler of his saw mill. He was in the prime of life at the time of his death, and his widow subsequently contracted a second marriage and removed to Seneca County, where she passed the remainder of her life. Of the eight children of the first marriage, four are living at the time of this writing, in 1924: Jane, Mary, Orlando and Joseph W.

The present sheriff of Seneca County was reared to manhood in Coshocton County, and there received the advantages of the common schools of the period. At the age of twenty years he initiated his independent career as a farmer in Seneca Township, Seneca County,

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and in connection with his vigorous farm industry he operated a threshing machine. He became one of the substantial and influential citizens of his township, where he served five terms as township assessor and was a member of the school board five years. He thereafter served two terms as deputy county sheriff, and he was then elected sheriff, without opposition in either the primary or general election, his reelection in 1922 having been the latest voucher for the popular approval placed upon his administration.

Sheriff Parks has been active and influential in the local councils and campaigns of the democratic party, and is signally progressive and liberal in his civic attitude. He and his wife are members of the First Reform Church at Tiffin, and his fraternal affiliations are here briefly noted: Wyandotte Lodge No. 314, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master; Seneca Chapter No. 42, Royal Arch Masons; Clinton Council No. 47, Royal and Select Masters; De Molay Commandery No. 9 Knights Templar, at Tiffin, of which he is a past commander; William Myers Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of which he is a past patron; Tiffin Lodge No. 94, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Tiffin Lodge of the Junior Order United American Mechanics. He is an active member of the Seneca County Fair Association, and has shown deep interest in furthering the success of its annual fairs.

In the year 1878 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Parks and Miss Matilda Staib, who was born and reared in Seneca County. Of the children the eldest is Lewis O., who now resides in the City of Cincinnati; Mary J. is the wife of Jesse Manges; Charles W., Fern, Eva F., Inez L. and Mae, all of whom are married and well established in life. Lewis O., Inez L. and Mae all made excellent records as teachers in the public schools, and the latter two were graduated from the Tiffin High School.

Harold Z. Hakes, a popular and efficient member of the official corps of Seneca County in the City of Tiffin, is giving a most effective administration as county surveyor. He was born in London Township, this county, on the 7th of November, 1890, and is a son of Nathan and Susan (Hurbert) Hakes, the former a native of Delaware County, this state, and the latter of Seneca County. The parents were reared on the respective home farms, and both received the advantages of the public schools. After their marriage they established their residence on a farm in London Township, Seneca County, where the father still continues a progressive representative of agricultural and livestock industry, the mother being now deceased. Nathan Hakes is a republican in political allegiance, and is a communicant of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Fostoria, as was also his wife. Eight children survive the devoted mother.

While he early began to receive practical experience in connection with the activities of the home farm, Harold Z. Hakes gained his basic education through the medium of the district schools. In 1917 he was graduated from the Ohio Northern University, at Ada, with the degree of Civil Engineer, and there also he became a member of the Alpha Eta chapter of the Delta Sigma Phi college fraternity. Within a short time after his graduation Mr. Hakes was appointed deputy surveyor of his native county, and after he had given about one year of effective service in this capacity he subordinated all other interests to respond to the call of patriotism when the nation became formally involved in the World war. In his first attempt to enlist he was rejected, but on the 25th of May, 1918, he was accepted for military service and was sent to Camp Taylor, whence he was later transferred to Camp Sherman. He continued in service until the armistice brought the war to a close, and he received his honorable discharge on the 24th of December, 1918. Thereafter he was in active service as deputy surveyor of Hancock County about two years, and in the autum of 1920 he was elected county surveyor of Seneca County, his reelection in 1922 testifying to the high estimate placed upon his administration.

Mr. Hakes is unfaltering in his allegiance to the republican party, and he and his wife are active communicants of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Tiffin. At Fostoria he is a member of Emil Fous Post of the American Legion, and of the following named Masonic bodies: Fostoria Lodge No. 288, Free and Accepted Masons; Garfield Chapter No. 50, Royal Arch Masons; Fostoria Council No. 90, Royal and Select Masters; and Fostoria Commandery No. 62, Knights Templar. He is a member also of Fostoria Lodge No. 935, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he is affiliated also with the Knights of the Maccabees and the Junior Order United American Mechanics.

On the 3rd of February, 1923, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Hakes and Miss Ethel M. Herrick, who is a graduate of the high school at Findlay and also of Findlay College. She was official stenographer of the Common Pleas Court of Hancock County for twelve years prior to her marriage.

Charles Cutler Sharp is a mining engineer by profession, and during the past thirty or forty years has been identified in a responsible capacity with a large amount of mine development and mine operation work in Southern Ohio and elsewhere. His headquarters for a number of years have been at Nelsonville and Athens County, and he is officially connected with some of the leading mining interests in that section.

His family contains a number of men of successful careers. He was born on his father's farm in Fairfield County, Ohio, February 10, 1861, son of William and Ellen (Cutler) Sharp. His mother was born at Amesville in Athens County, the daughter of Charles and Maria (Walker) Cutler, the granddaughter of Ephraim Cutler and the great-granddaughter of Manassa Cutler. William Sharp was born at Taylorville, Muskingum County. The father of William Sharp died at the age of seventy years. He was a contractor, built bridges on the old National Pike and had a number of other important contracts, including one for the building of a dam on the Hocking River. He also bought a farm in Fairfield County, erected a mill, and that farm is still owned by the family.

William Sharp grew up in Fairfield County, and in the closing months of the Civil war was a commissioned officer on detailed service. He took charge of the operation of the mill at the old family homestead, and he also engaged in farming and for fifteen years conducted a general store at Sugar Grove, where he married. His education was acquired in country schools, and for a time he taught in rural districts. He also owned and operated canal boats on the Hocking Canal, using them for the transportation of coal and stone taken from his rock quarry. A number of years ago the mill was sold, but the land is still retained. William Sharp was a man of fine influence in this community as citizen as well as a successful business man. He was a member of the Reformed Church and a democrat in politics. He died at the age of seventy-five, in 1905, and his wife passed away in 1919, aged seventy-six. Of their family of seven sons and one daughter Charles Cutler Sharp is the oldest. The youngest is the daughter Anna, now the wife of Rufus Conrad, living near the old homestead. The other sons are: Joseph, a farm owner and lumberman at Lancaster, Ohio; Thomas,

superintendent of a roofing plant at Lancaster; James, vice president of the Citizens Central Bank of Nelsonville; Fred, on the old homestead; William, a rancher in California; and John, who is manager of the Nelsonville Lumber Company.

Charles Cutler Sharp spent his boyhood days at the old home near Sugar Grove and attended school there. He taught a term of school in his home district and another at Canover in Champaign County, Ohio. Later he entered Ohio State University, and was graduated with the civil engineering degree in 1888. Since graduation he has had thirty-five years in which to make his mark in his profession and in business. On graduating he was made assistant engineer on the Scioto Valley Railroad, now the Norfolk & Western, and served one year, and was then appointed assistant engineer for the Columbus & Hocking Coal & Iron Company. While still in this position and without resigning he was elected for one term as surveyor of Fairfield County, and employed a deputy to handle the office. His next important position was as superintendent of the Sunday Creek Coal Company, with headquarters at Corning. For seven years he had charge of the extensive development and construction work involved in the opening of five mines for this corporation. On leaving Ohio Mr. Sharp went to West Virginia, and for ten years was in the Kanawha Valley, at Gualey Bridge and Mount Carbon, acting as mine engineer and mine manager. Since leaving West Virginia his home has been at Nelsonville, and he has continued his professional work as a mining engineer and also as a mine operator. He is treasurer and manager of the Big Bailey Mining Company, Carrs Run and North Hill companies, and has a number of other interests.

In 1894 Mr. Sharp married Miss Cora Blake, daughter of Thomas Blake, of Nelsonville. Three children have been born to their marriage. The son Edward Blake was graduated with the Civil Engineer degree from Ohio State University in 1921, and during the World war was in the Students Army Training Corps at Columbus. The second son, William, is attending high school at Nelsonville, and Rebecca is in the public schools.

Mr. Sharp is an active member of the Presbyterian Church and teacher of the young men's class in Sunday school. He is a Knight Templar and a member of Beni Kedem Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Charleston, West Virginia. He is also affiliated with the Elks, is a liberal democrat in politics, and has membership in a number of scientific and technical societies, including the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

ARTHUR G. JOHNSON, superintendent of city schools of Burton, Geauga County, was a soldier of the great war, and was wounded in the Argonne campaign, and after his return home prepared himself for the vocation of an educator.

He was born in Union City, Madison County, Kentucky, August 11, 1894. His family has been in Kentucky since frontier days in that section of the Western wilderness. His grandfather, Thomas W. Johnson, was born at Richmond, Virginia, in 1796. At the age of sixteen he moved to Madison County, and owned and operated a country farming interest there. He died in Madison County in 1900, when 104 years of age. His wife, Rebecca Shearer, was a native of Virginia. Thomas W. Johnson, Jr., father of the Ohio educator, was born at Union City, Kentucky, in September, 1843, was reared and married there, and has devoted himself to looking after his large farming interests. His home is at Winchester, Kentucky. He is a republican, and for the past twenty-five years has been a deacon in the Baptist Church. Thomas W. Johnson, Jr., married for his second wife Nancy Ann Moore, a native of Madison County, Kentucky. Their children are: Arthur G.; William H., a farmer at Winchester, Kentucky; Mattie Belle, wife of Charles A. Burg, a professional ball player, living at Cincinnati; Cora Elizabeth, who died when eighteen years of age; Zetta R., in Cincinnati; James Claude and Walter G., both students in the Clark County High School at Winchester, Kentucky; and Bennie, a student in grammar school.

Arthur G. Johnson was educated in the public schools of Clark County, Kentucky, graduating from high school in 1916. On May 28, 1918, he was inducted into the United States service and was sent for training to Camp Beauregard, Louisiana, where he was assigned to duty with the Machine Gun Battalion of the One Hundred Fifty-third Infantry. With that regiment he went overseas to France, landing at Brest August 17, 1918, and was then transferred to the Thirty-fifth Division in a special detachment of machine gunners. He had been in France only a few days when he participated in the St. Mihiel offensive, and on September 26, 1918, the morning the great Argonne offensive opened, he was severly wounded by a high explosive shell. Following that came months of suffering and slow recovery in hospitals, and on May 3, 1919, he was invalided home and received his honorable discharge at Camp Zachary Taylor, receiving a surgeon's certificate of disability.

Soon after the close of his army service Mr. Johnson took up his studies in Kentucky Wesleyan College at Winchester, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1922, and in 1923 received the Master of Arts degree from the same institution. In 1922-23 he was principal of the Mount Sterling High School in Kentucky, and in the fall of 1923 was called to his present duties as superintendent of schools at Burton, Ohio. In this village he has under his supervision a teaching staff of nine and a scholarship enrollment of 400.

Mr. Johnson is a republican, is a member of the Church of the Disciples, is affiliated with Geauga Lodge No. 171, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Burton, is past chancellor commander of Ivanhoe Lodge No. 48, Knights of Pythias, at Winchester, Kentucky, and is a member of the Kentucky Educational Association, the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the Northeastern Ohio State Teachers' Association. He is first sergeant of Hospital Company No. 137 in the Kentucky National Guard.

May 30, 1922, at Richmond, Kentucky, Mr. Johnson married Miss Bernice Conlee, daughter of John W. and Kate (Thomas) Conlee. Her father, who died in Montgomery County, Kentucky, was a farmer, and held several important county offices. He was a democrat. Her mother lives at Winchester. Mrs. Johnson, who is now a senior in Kentucky Wesleyan College at Winchester, is the mother of two daughters, Indianola, born June 12, 1923, and Wyama, born August 9, 1924.

RALPH O. HIBSCHMAN has held since 1918 the position of superintendent of the public schools at Madison, Lake County, and under his effective executive supervision the work of the schools in all departments has been brought up to a high standard.

Ralph Otis Hibschman claims the historic old Keystone State as the place of his nativity, his birth having occurred near Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania, November 13, 1892. He is a son of Jacob and Rebecca (Bomberger) Hibschman, the former of whom was born in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, February 8, 1854, and the latter was born at Bethel, that state, on the 16th of September, 1853. Of the children the eldest is Harry J., who was graduated from Georgetown University, District of Columbia, and

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who now maintains his home at Spokane, Washington, he being a platform lecturer of exceptional talent; William B. is an instructor in a leading hosiery mill at Reading, Pennsylvania; Ida M., a trained nurse, holds a position in the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, Pennsylvania; Mary E. remains at the parental home; Ralph O., of this review, was the next in order of birth; George is a graduate of Penn State College, and was there a member of the Students Army Training Corps in the World war period, he being now an instructor in a vocational school at Leesport, Pennsylvania; and John A. is (fall of 1923) taking a pre-medical course in Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Jacob Hibschman was reared and educated in Schuylkill and Berks counties, Pennsylvania, and there also he learned the blacksmith trade. Shortly after his marriage he moved to the vicinity of Kansas City, but in the State of Kansas, where he followed his trade eight years. He then returned to Pennsylvania and established his residence in Berks County, where he and his wife have since maintained their home. He is still engaged in the work of his sturdy trade, at Strausstown, that county. He is independent in politics, has served in various township offices, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and both he and his wife are zealous members of the Reformed Church.

The public schools of Strausstown, Pennsylvania, afforded Ralph O. Hibschman his preliminary education, and he attended also the public schools of Reading, where he next entered Keystone Academy, in which he was graduated in 1908. In 1911 he was graduated from the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown, and received therefrom the degree of Bachelor of Education. It is worthy of special note in this connection that he has continued to advance himself in his chosen profession by effective post-graduate courses. In the summer of 1914 he attended Valparaiso University, at Valparaiso, Indiana, where he specialized in vocational education; he attended the summer sessions of the University of Ohio in 1919 and 1923, and there specialized in pedagogy; and the same specialty had gained his attention in his summer course in the great University of Chicago in 1916.

For two years Mr. Hibschman was principal of the public schools at Thompson, Geauga County, Ohio, where he next gave five years of service as superintendent of schools. In 1918 he became superintendent of the public schools at Madison, where he has since continued his effective administration, with supervision of five schools, twenty-six teachers and 760 pupils. He is an active member of the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the National Educational Association, is a member of the Madison Chamber of Commerce, and is a director of the Lake County Young Men's Christian Association. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is aligned in the ranks of the republican party, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church. He owns his attractive home property, on River Street at Madison, and also Lake front realty in Madison Township. He has indentified himself most loyally with community interests and is a progressive and public-spirited citizen.

June 21, 1916, recorded the marriage of Mr. Hibschman and Miss Ruby Murphy, daughter of Clarence and Nancy (Basquin) Murphy, of Thompson, Geauga County, where the death of the father occurred in 1914 and where the widowed mother still resides, Mr. Murphy having been one of the substantial farmers of that locality. Mrs. Hibschman attended Ohio State Normal School at Kent, and prior to her marriage she was for five years a popular teacher in the schools of her old home township in Geauga County. Mr. and Mrs. Hibschman have one child, Nan Rebecca, who was born October 11, 1919.

On both the paternal and maternal sides Mr. Hibschman is a scion of families founded in Pennsylvania many generations ago, and the lineage on both sides traces back to staunch German origin.

MILDRED LAW SNYDER, M. D. Women are numerously represented in the medical profession, a field in which they have won some of the highest honors open to the profession. Few of the women physicians of Ohio who have made a success in the vocation prepared themselves for the work under heavier handicaps and with more determination than Mildred Law Snyder, who has been in practice at Middletown since 1920.

She was born March 16, 1886, daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Schlenck) Law, of Oxford, Ohio, where her father was a merchant. Doctor Snyder attended the public schools of Oxford, and in 1903 graduated from the preparatory department of Miami University at Oxford. On September 25, 1907, she was married to William C. Snyder at New York City, and she moved with Mr. Snyder to New York, where they lived for three years. He died in 1910. His widow then returned to Oxford, Ohio, being left without any means and heavily in debt. Well qualified by mind and temperament for the career of a physician, without money, she determined to go to college and medical school, and paid most of her expenses while in the regular literary schools of Miami University, where she was graduated in 1914. She was given a scholarship in the university and also in the Ohio Medical College, from which she was graduated with honors in 1919. Doctor Snyder during 1919-20 was an interne in the general hospital at Cincinnati, and on July 6, 1920, was licensed to practice and in August located at Middletown. While engaged in general practice she specializes in obstetrics and pediatrics.

Doctor Snyder is a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority, and is a member of the Butler County, Ohio State and American Medical associations. She is on the staff of physicians of the Middletown Hospital. Doctor Snyder is a member of the First Presbyterian Church. She has one son, Thomas Charles Snyder, born in 1909, and now attending the Middletown High School.

WALTER O. R. JOHNSON. Both as an able attorney and veteran of the World war, Walter O. R. Johnson is well known at Youngstown and throughout Mahoning County, and his present prestige has been honorably earned in various ways. He was born at Renova, Pennsylvania, February 14, 1893, a son of Nels P. and Emma C. (Nelson) Johnson, natives of Sweden, who were married in the United States. For some years the father was in a general merchandise business at Renova, but in 1906 migrated to Youngstown, and since that date has been connected with the firm of Rose & Johnson, wholesale grocers of Youngstown.

Following his graduation from the high school course of Youngstown, Walter O. R. Johnson entered the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1917, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and in 1919 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, and in January, 1920, he was admitted to the bar of Ohio. Locating at Youngstown, he has since been engaged in the general practice of his profession.

In May, 1917, Mr. Johnson enlisted in the service, and spent three months at the First Officers' Training Camp, Fort Benjamin Harrison, from whence he was sent to Cambridge, Massachusetts, where he was trained under the supervision of French army officers in a school of French warfare. In September, 1917, he was assigned to the machine gun company of the

Three Hundred Thirty-second Infantry, Eighty-third Division, stationed at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio. He sailed overseas June 6, 1918, and after his arrival in France, sent to Chatillon-sur-Seine, Third Corps Army School, and from there to the Italian front, where he participated in the battle of Vittorio Benito, as well as others of less importance. In April, 1919, he sailed from Italy for the United States, and was discharged from the service May 21, 1919. He held the rank of first lieutenant.

On June 1, 1918, Mr. Johnson married Miss Maude Osberg, and they have two children: Theo Virginia and Nels Paul. Mr. Johnson is a member of the Presbyterian Church, while Mrs. Johnson is a member of the Methodist Church. He also belongs to the Swedish Mission Church and to the Swedish Fraternity of America, to the Phi Alpha Delta and Youngstown Lodge No. 403, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, as well as to the Youngstown Chamber of Commerce. An enthusiast with reference to the American Legion, he not only is a member of the local post, but has also served the organization as post advocate. Since returning to Youngstown he has built up an excellent practice, and is making a name for himself as a resourceful and honorable attorney.

William Frederick Reed is president of the Farmers Bank & Savings Company of Pomeroy, an institution established by him in 1904. Mr. Reed about that time returned to his native community from Kansas, where he had achieved an interesting record of success as a banker and financier.

The Reed family has been represented in the citizenship of Meigs County by five generations. William Frederick Reed was born at Pomeroy, June 5, 1859, son of Darius and Eunice (Curtis) Reed. His grandfather, Whittemore Reed, son of Whittemore Reed, of Grafton, New Hampshire, was a small child when in 1798 he was brought by his widowed mother to the woods of Orange Township in Meigs County. At that time a log house was built for the accommodation of the family, and it was in this pioneer structure that Darius Reed was born. Later the old house was replaced with a substantial brick mansion. Whittemore Reed acquired a fine farm of 500 acres, and eventually sold the homestead for $25,000, then regarded as a high degree of wealth. He afterwards bought a place of just half the acreage in Clermont County for the same money.

Darius Reed as a youth taught school in Southern Ohio, and subsequently went West, spending three years as a teacher at Arrow Rock in Saline County, Missouri. One of his pupils was a boy named Marmaduke, who subsequently became a cadet at West Point Military Academy, later a distinguished general in the Confederate army and governor of Missouri. A brother of Darius Reed, Lardine Reed, who was a schoolmate of Marmaduke at West Point Military Academy, died while stationed at Governor's Island, New York, after graduation from that institution. On his return from the West, Darius Reed engaged in the drug business at Pomeroy. His son, Curtis D. Reed, now conducts this business, which is the oldest drug store in Southern Ohio. Darius Reed was a very able business man, and for many years was a director of the Old First National Bank. He was also identified with the organization and management of salt companies of the county, including the Buckeye Salt Company and the White Rock Salt Company, of both of which companies he was president. Darius Reed was born in 1818, and died at the age of eighty-three. He finished his education at Ohio University at Athens, whither he had gone on horseback before the days of railroads or automobiles. When it came time for his son, William Frederick Reed, to enter Ohio State University, in the absence of a railroad the trip was made in a buggy, and showing the progress in transportation in the next generation, William Frederick Reed's sons went to college in high powered automobiles.

Eunice Curtis, who married Darius Reed, was born in Washington County, Ohio. Her father, Horace Curtis, was a farmer and merchant, lived at Little Hocking and for fifty years was postmaster in that community. The Curtis family were pioneers of Ohio, coming from Massachusetts. Eunice Curtis Reed died at the age of seventy-two, in 1899. The Darius Reed home is on Mulberry Street in Pomeroy and is now occupied by his daughter Helen, widow of Rev. Thomas Turnbull, who as a Presbyterian minister was pastor of the local church for twenty years. There were also two sons in the family: Curtis D., the successor of his father as a druggist at Pomeroy; and William F.

William Frederick Reed attended the high school at Pomeroy, and is the oldest graduate of that school now living in the community. He also attended Ohio State University, his intention at that time being to take up the medical profession. However, he subsequently entered the law department of the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, taking his law degree in 1882. While a lawyer by training, Mr. Reed's experience has been almost entirely in the field of banking and practical business. After leaving law school he spent two years at a bank at Des Moines, Iowa, then for a time lived at Portsmouth, Ohio, and, leaving there, went west to Anthony, Harper County, Kansas, where he was a pioneer and where he experienced all the vicissitudes of Kansas during the years of drought and financial depression of the '80s and '90s. For two years he was in the real estate and loan business at Anthony, and then located at Syracuse, Kansas, where he established the Bank of Syracuse, which was subsequently reorganized as the First National Bank. When he went there he had only $5,000 capital, and borrowed most of the capital for his bank. Out of the many banks that failed in that section during the '90s his presented an honorable contrast, weathering all the storms of adversity. About the time the financial panic of 1892 started, Mr. Reed was visiting in Ohio and found that everybody was hoarding gold, expecting a panic. On his return to Kansas he had his bank credit with the Old National Bank of Kansas City changed to gold. Subsequently this Kansas City bank closed its doors, and Mr. Reed claimed his gold and was paid in that metal. Out of the 3,000 correspondents of this Kansas City institution Mr. Reed's bank was the only one to be paid in full.

After twenty years of banking in Kansas Mr. Reed returned to his old home in Ohio, having long cherished an ambition to engage in banking there. As a result he opened the Farmers Bank & Savings Company in 1904. He was also interested in a bank conducted by Dennis Foley at his old home in Kansas for a number of years.

While in Kansas Mr. Reed served as mayor of Syracuse for a number of years. He was also county treasurer four years, was chairman of the republican central committee, and he built the Episcopal Church there. He was associated with the banking business in Denver also, where he started a bank and was elected manager of the Mining Stock Exchange Clearing House. Mr. Reed is a Knight Templar Mason, having taken his Masonic degrees in Kansas. He is a member and trustee of the Presbyterian Church of Pomeroy.

He married, at St. Paul, Minnesota, in 1885, Miss Lillian Thompson, daughter of John I. Thompson, who was the general solicitor for the Stickney Railroad from Chicago to St. Paul. Mr. and Mrs. Reed have four children: Theodore T., who finished his education at Poughkeepsie, New York, is in the stock and bond business at Akron, Ohio; D. Curtis, a gradu-

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ate of the high scohol at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and of the Colleges of Education and Law of Ohio State University, is now practicing law at Pomeroy with offices over his father's bank; William F. Jr., the third son, was educated at the local high school, Ohio State University, and Purdue University of Indiana, and is now teacher of chemistry in the Ely schools on the Superior Iron Range in Minnesota. The only daughter, Eunice, a graduate of the local high school, is still in college.

ELMER HYSON HOLMES. Born and reared on the Ohio River in the Syracuse community, Elmer Hyson Holmes' early career led him far afield, making him a successful traveling salesman, manufacturer, and finally, returning to Meigs County, he founded and became president of the Brocalsa Chemical Company, operating plants at Syracuse and Pomeroy. His business is both the manufacture of by-products and also the operation of coal, oil, gas and salt wells and mines.

Mr. Holmes was born at Syracuse, August 29, 1889, son of Franklin Elmer and Annie (Turley) Holmes, and grandson of Dr. Isaac Holmes. He is a descendant of Obadiah Holmes, who in the Colonial period of American history came from Southampton, England, to Massachusetts. Dr. Isaac Holmes moved from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, to Meigs County, Ohio, and for many years practiced his profession, looking after a very extensive country business. He died in Meigs County in 1892, when about seventy years of age. Franklin Elmer Holmes has for many years been identified with salt production at Syracuse, being an employe of the Syracuse Coal and Salt Company. He was born in 1865, and his wife, Annie Turley, was born in 1863, in Mason County, West Virginia, daughter of George W. Turley, who was a factor in salt production. The Turley home was at New Haven, just across the Ohio River from Syracuse, Ohio. Annie Turley is a great-great-granddaughter of a sister of Thomas Jefferson. Franklin Elmer Holmes and wife are members of the Methodist Church at Syracuse. They had seven children, five now living, there being three sons. The sons are Elmer H., Roy and William. Both Roy and William live at Columbus, Roy being district sales-manager for the Brocalsa Chemical Company. These brothers were also soldiers in the World war, Roy being with the Sixth Regiment of Marines. He was shot in the shoulder at Chateau-Thierry, and was one of the eleven men of his company to escape death in that terriffic fight. He was also wounded by rifle or machine gun ball in the ankle in the St. Mihiel campaign, and was also gassed. He was decorated both by the French and American governments, receiving the Croix De Guerre and the Distinguished Service Cross. The son William was with the Nineteenth Infantry, spending two years on the Texas border. Roy attended Ohio State University two years.

Elmer Hyson Holmes was educated in local schools, and then went to Valparaiso University in Indiana, taking special work in chemistry and journalism. He spent one year as a cub reporter on the staff of the Chicago Examiner, and was greatly attracted to journalism, though he soon decided that it did not offer sufficient rewards as a premanent career. For a time he sold pumping machinery, and then became a salesman for the Stewart-Warner Company, selling speedometers, and for three years covered a territory from Chicago to the Pacific Coast as district manager, with headquarters in Denver. Later he traveled over Louisiana and Texas, representing the Alexander Hamilton Institute, and made a special success at this. He was given territory in Chicago, and spent two years in the service of the company. Then for about a year he was in Chicago as a manufacturer of automobile accessories, and with two of the old employes of the Stewart-Warner Company he organized a company and established a plant to manufacture accessories near Indianapolis, Indiana. About that time America entered the World war and the plant was made a Government industry, the production being changed to truck wheels.

A few days after the armistice Mr. Holmes sold his interest in the business and, returning to Syracuse, organized the Brocalsa Chemical Company. This has become one of the largest successful industrial corporations in Meigs County. The company produces oil, gas, coal and salt and a varied line of by-products. The company owns five successful oil wells, and it also purchased the plant of the Syracuse Coal and Salt Company, having rebuilt the plant, and in July, 1922, acquired the Pomeroy Chemical Company's plant. Another purchase by the company has brought it 1,000 acres of coal land, and the Antiquity Coal Corporation has been organized to develop this property. Mr. Holmes is on the board of directors of the Antiquity Coal Corporation, and is president of the Brocalsa Chemical Company.

In 1914 he married Miss Frances Riley, daughter of Michael Riley, of Dallas, Texas. They have an adopted son, Kenneth. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes are Christian Scientists, and in politics he is a republican.

SHEPARD H. BURROUGHS, M. D. In the work of his profession Doctor Burroughs has specialized in surgery, and has long been recognized as a leader in that field in Northeastern Ohio. He has been in practice at Ashtabula nearly twenty years.

Doctor Burroughs was born at Northfield, Summit County, Ohio, April 12, 1881. He represents one of the very oldest families in Northern Ohio. He is of English ancestry, and his people were Colonial settlers in Vermont. His grandfather, Allen Burroughs, was born in 1796, in Northern Ohio. It was in the same year as his birth that the first settlement was planted at Cleveland. He spent most of his life as a farmer at Northfield, in Summit County, where he died in 1879. His wife was Betsy Honey, also a native of Ohio, who died at Northfield. Levi Burroughs, father of Doctor Burroughs, was born at Northfield, June 15, 1844, and spent all his life in that community. He was an industrious farmer, and he acquitted himself with a creditable record as a soldier in the Union army in the Civil war. He served the last two years of the war as a member of Company K of the One Hundred Fifteenth Ohio Infantry. At Murfreesboro, Tennessee, he was captured, and for five months was a prisoner at Andersonville, not being released until after the end of the war. He was a staunch republican, and a member of the Methodist Church. Levi Burroughs, who died at Northfield April 29, 1918, married Sarah Frances Nichols, who was born in West Virginia in 1840, and died at Northfield, Ohio, in January, 1919. She was reared at Yellow Creek, Ohio. Levi Burroughs and wife reared four children: Eva May, wife of Ed Cuyler, at Northfield; Harvey Allen, a mail carrier living at Cuyahoga Falls; Thomas Benton, a farmer at Hudson, Ohio; and Shepard H.

Shepard H. Burroughs was educated in the public schools at Northfield, graduating from high school there in 1900. He then entered the medical department of Western Reserve University at Cleveland, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1904. Doctor Burroughs had eighteen months of training as an interne in the Lakeside Hospital at Cleveland, and with that thorough preparation entered upon the duties of his profession at Ashtabula. From the first he showed special talent for surgery, and his abilities have been more and more drawn into that field. His offices are at 126 Main Street,

Ashtabula. Doctor Burroughs was born on a farm and has always had some interest in farming. He has a half interest in a fruit farm in Ashtabula County, and is otherwise identified with agriculture in this section of the state. His home is at 15 Tyler Avenue in Ashtabula. During the World war Doctor Burroughs gave much of his time to his duties as medical member of Ashtabula Draft Board No. 1. He is a member of the Ashtabula County, the Ohio State and American Medical associations.

In politics he is a republican, and in Masonry is affiliated with Harbor Lodge No. 558, Free and Accepted Masons, Western Reserve Chapter No. 8, Royal Arch Masons; Conneaut Council No. 40, Royal and Select Masters; Columbian Commandery No. 52, Knights Templar; Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and Al Koran Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Cleveland. He also belongs to Ashtabula Lodge No. 208, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Ashtabula Lodge No. 547, Loyal Order of Moose, and the Chamber of Commerce.

On November 25, 1905, at Ashtabula, he married Miss Elizabeth Baker, who was born at Freedom, Ohio, and is a graduate of the high school of Ravenna. She studied pharmacy in Ohio Northern University at Ada, and in 1905 graduated from the Lakeside Hospital at Cleveland as a registered nurse.

Doctor and Mrs. Burroughs are the parents of five children: Sarah Ellen and Jean, both students in the Ashtabula High School; Shepard Allen, who was born December 31, 1911; Herbert Levi, born October 16, 1913, and Betty Virginia.

Arthur Beegle is junior member of the firm Beegle Brothers, merchants and produce dealers at Pomeroy and other points in Meigs County. His partner is Elmer Beegle, and the business was originally established by Elmer and his father, Joseph Beegle, as told elsewhere in this publication.

Arthur Beegle was born in Mason City, West Virginia, just across the Ohio River from his present home, on March 16, 1875. As a boy he worked on the farm and in the timber, had common school advantages, and is a graduate of Carleton College at Syracuse. He remained on the home farm near Racine until he was twenty-five. For a time he drove a huckster wagon for the Farmers Cash Grocery Company, owned by his father and brother, and at a later date, when his father retired, bought his share in the business. However, he still retains his home on the farm two miles east of Racine. Beegle Brothers do both a wholesale and retail business in handling produce, feed, seeds and all supplies needed on the farm. By a square policy of cash dealing they have a large trade and earned the full confidence of their customers, and have also developed very favorable marketing connections at Pittsburgh, where the enormous amount of produce collected by the firm is marketed.

Arthur Beegle has been active in local politics, having served three terms as assessor and two terms as trustee of Sutton Township. For a number of years he had an individual store at Dorcas, and was postmaster of Dorcas, this postoffice having been established through the efforts of his brother Elmer. Arthur Beegle has charge of the marketing of the produce bought by the firm.

At the age of twenty-five he married Miss Mary Jane Jackson, daughter of Thomas and Eliza Jackson. She was born at Zaleski, in Vinton County, Ohio, soon after her parents came to this country from England. Mr. and Mrs. Beegle have one son, Joseph. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Robert Warner has at least three distinctions in his native County of Meigs, one being his service as an educator, the other the loyal duty he performed as a soldier in the World war, and the third being responsibility as county treasurer.

He was born at Harrisonville, Meigs County, July 18, 1887, son of Wilbur and Effie (Stiles) Warner. His parents were also natives of Meigs County. His mother was born in 1864, and died in 1905. Wilbur Warner, who lives in Chester Township at the age of sixty-two has been a successful farmer. From Harrisonville he moved to a farm near Pomeroy, and later to Chester Township. In former years he was an extensive dealer in timber. He has been quite active in politics as a staunch republican, and served as township assessor of Salisbury Township. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His family consists of three sons and three daughters. The sons are: Robert; Charles D., a deputy in the treasurer's office; and William L., an electrician at St. Louis.

Robert Warner acquired his early education in public schools at Harrisonville, attended Carleton College at Syracuse in Meigs County, and devoted thirteen years to school work. For four years he was at the Rose Hill School, for two years was principal of schools at Syracuse, and was principal of the Pomeroy Central School when elected county treasurer. Mr. Warner is now serving his second term as county treasurer. His individual education has been supplemented by considerable extension work with the Ohio University of Athens.

Mr. Warner enlisted for service in the World war June 22, 1918, and was trained at Camp Sherman. He went overseas with the Three Hundred and Sixty-third Infantry of the Ninety-first Division, and was abroad seven and a half months. He was on duty in France and in Belgium, was in the Lys and Scheldt River sectors and also on the Flanders front. His service brought him in the area of heavy fighting, and he showed the qualities of a real soldier in that spirited conflict. Mr. Warner received his honorable discharge April 26, 1919, and is now a member of the Drew Webster Post of the American Legion.

He married, June 30, 1921, Miss Ada Roush, daughter of Frank Roush, of Racine, Ohio. They have one daughter, Abbie Esther, born January 23, 1924. Mr. Warner is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a teacher in the Sunday school, is affiliated with the Masonic Order and is a past noble grand and a trustee of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Abraham A. Massar is one of the old and prominent merchants of the Ohio Valley district in Meigs County. He has been in the grocery business at Pomeroy in the same block on Main Street for forty-one years. He is president of the Valley Standard Credit Company at Pomeroy.

Mr. Massar was born at Pomeroy, January 2, 1864. His father, Valentine Massar, was born in Bavaria, Germany, learned the trade of saddler and harness maker there, and, coming to America, was attracted to Pomeroy by the presence of some relatives there. He continued his business there as a saddler and harness maker, and when the Civil war came on he proved his loyalty to his adopted country by enlisting as a Union soldier with an Ohio regiment. In 1865, about the time the war closed, he died, when thirty-seven years of age.

His widow was then left with the care of four young children, Abraham A. being the youngest, and only about a year old. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Kautz. She was likewise a native of Bavaria, Germany, and was a small child when her father, George Kautz brought his family to America and settled in Meigs County, Ohio, on a farm in Chester Township. The Kautz family was very thrifty, and Mr. Massar's mother showed a wonderful contrivance and industry in rearing her children. She supported

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them by her work as a seamstress. Abraham A. Massar recalls a time when his mother carried eggs from the Kautz farm to market, selling them at five cents a dozen. In his own career as a merchant he has experienced similarly low prices for country produce, but in late years has sold eggs over the counter at seventy-five cents a dozen. His mother not only provided material support for her children, but was deeply interested in both their religious and mental training, and she had all the children confirmed and they have always been loyal members of the Lutheran Church. The mother died in December, 1901, at the age of seventy-six. There were two sons, George S. and Abraham A. George S. was born in 1860 and died in 1901. For many years he was associated as a partner with his brother Abraham in the grocery business. The daughter, Miss Katherine, is the oldest of the family and lives at Columbus. Amelia, widow of George Schlagel, also resides at Columbus.

Abraham A. Massar was graduated from the Pomeroy High School in 1882, at the age of eighteen, and during his school vacations he and three other young men earned some money by building skiffs for themselves and for others, and after leaving school he worked in the cooper shop of the Excelsior Salt Works, splitting hoop poles. His brother George was also in the same shop, and he held various other positions. For one term he taught summer school, and at the conclusion of the term decided that educational work was not his forte. Finally he and his brother George, having saved $1500, opened a grocery store, and their business grew and prospered and has become one of the largest establishments of its kind in Meigs County.

Mr. Massar while always a hard worker in his business has found time to attend to various public duties. For twenty-six years he was a member of the school board, part of the time being president of the board and he is now secretary of the board. He was also city clerk for a term of eleven years. He has not been a strict partisan in politics, though normally a democrat. He has served for many years as trustee of the Lutheran Church.

Mr. Massar married Miss Mary A. Reinhart, daughter of George Reinhart, of Pomeroy. They have one daughter, Stella E., at home, and also have an adopted daughter, Hilda Ohlinger, the child of Mrs. Massar's sister.

JASPER H. GRATE is a native of Meigs County and in his mature years has proved himself one of the able business men and citizens of that community. His home and business are at Middleport, where he is associated with John Mayer and Albert Scholl in the ownership of the Purity Ice Cream and Bottling Company.

Mr. Grate was born on a farm in Salem Township, Meigs County, March 3, 1882, son of George and Flora (Corn) Grate, also natives of Meigs County. George Grate was born in 1858, and has been a prosperous farmer in Salem Township, where he has served as township trustee, as a member of the school board, and is active in the Fair Play Church and the republican party. There are three living children. The son Earl finished his education at Rio Grande College and is a teacher at Webster. Alma is the wife of Harry McGlothen.

Jasper H. Grate attended school at Fair Play, and when eighteen years of age went to work for his uncle, Jasper Corn, in a bottling and ice plant at Wellston. He spent five years there, acquiring a thorough knowledge of all the technical details of the business. Following that he and his uncle, Will Corn, purchased the Gallipolis Bottling Works, and operated that establishment for twelve years.

He then came to Middleport, and with John Mayer and Albert Scholl organized the Purity Ice Cream and Bottling Company. This business had been started some years before by John Mayer and wife, who manufactured ice cream for the local market. When the present owners took it over in 1915 the plant was housed in a room 20x20 feet. The business has grown extensively and its plant facilities have been greatly enlarged since then. The company supplies ice cream and soft drinks to all the Pomeroy Bend section and also as far as Gallipolis and to towns in Mason County, West Virginia.

Other connections that indicate the interested part Mr. Grate plays in the business, civic and social life of Meigs County are his membership in the city council, his office as president of the Middleport Business Men's Association, his vice presidency of the Valley Standard Credit Company, and his membership in the Kiwanis Club. He is a trustee and past chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Masons, a member of the Modern Woodmen of the World, and a republican. He is very prominent in the Presbyterian Church, being a trustee of the church, assistant superintendent of the Sunday school, and teacher of a boys' class. Mr. Grate has shown himself intensely in earnest in all that he undertakes, and is a model citizen. He married Miss Lenora Belcher, daughter of William Belcher. They have five children, Frances, William Robert, Eugene, Ruth and Mary.

JOSEPH R. COOK is one of the representative younger members of the bar of Ashtabula County, and is established in successful general practice in his native city of Ashtabula, the largest city of the county, his birth having here occurred on the 29th of July, 1891.

Mr. Cook is a son of Mack R. and Nettie (Davis) Cook, who still reside in Ashtabula, where the father is established in the mercantile business and is concerned also with real estate enterprise. Mack R. Cook was born in this county, on the 1st of April, 1863, and that the family name has been associated with the history of this section of the old Buckeye State from early years becomes evident when it is noted that in this county his father, Joseph R. Cook, was born in the year 1816. Joseph R. Cook passed his entire life in Ashtabula, where his death occurred in 1875. He was graduated from the Albany Law School, in the capital city of the State of New York, and became one of the distinguished members of the Ohio bar. He was engaged in the practice of law in his native county during the entire period of his professional career, and it is pleasing to note that his grandson and namesake, the subject of this review, is likewise winning prestige in the legal profession and staging his activities in the same fine little Ohio city as did the honored grandsire. Joseph R. Cook married Lucy Bartram, who was born in the State of New York, and who survived her husband several years. Mr. Cook was a son of Erastus Cook, who was born at Onondaga, New York, and who was numbered among the very early settlers of Ashtabula County, where he established his residence about the year 1805. Erastus Cook was a man of fine intellectuality. He had been educated for the ministry, but found it expedient to follow constructive activities rather than to engage in the work of the profession for which he had thus fitted himself, he having, however, always continued earnest and zealous in church service. He reclaimed and developed a large farm estate in Ashtabula County, and also owned and conducted a tavern or inn at East Village, which was then the leading town of the county and which is now a part of the City of Ashtabula. This old time tavern was one of the popular pioneer hostelries of this section of Ohio.

Philip Cook, father of Erastus, was born in Connecticut, became a successful dairy farmer in the State of New York and conducted a textile industry. He was there a man of large financial resources, as gauged by the standards of the locality and period. The lineage of the Cook family traces back to Scotch and English sources, and the first representatives in America settled in Connecticut in the Colonial days.

Mack R. Cook was reared and educated in Ashtabult County, and here became a successful exponent of farm industry. In 1913 he engaged in the mercantile business at Ashtabula, and this enterprise he still continues, besides being engaged also in the real estate business. He is aligned in the ranks of the democratic party, and he and his wife hold membership in the First Congregational Church of Ashtabula, Mrs. Cook likewise having been reared and educated in this county, where her birth occurred July 21, 1867. Of the children Joseph R., of this review, is the firstborn. Perry D. was graduated from the Palmer School of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa, and prior to this had attended Western Reserve University at Cleveland, one year, and for a similar period was a student in Allegheny University, Meadville, Pennsylvania, in which city he is now engaged in the practice of his profession, as a skilled chiropractic practitioner. In the World war period he served as rivet inspector in the shipyards of the Great Lakes Engineering Company at Ashtabula, where a large amount of important Government work was turned out. Mack D., who was principal of the public schools at West Carrolton, Ohio, was in the army transport service in the World war period. He is a graduate of Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Harry C., youngest of the sons, attended Western Reserve University one year and at the time of this writing, in the autumn of 1924, he is still a member of the parental home circle.

In the public schools of Ashtabula, Joseph R. Cook continued his studies until his graduation from the high school as a member of the class of 1910. While in high school he utilized his summer vacations by finding employment on the docks at Ashtabula, and after completing his high school course he showed his initiative and executive ability by devoting one year to the building and selling of houses at Ashtabula. In the advancing of his education he thereafter attended Western Reserve University until he received therefrom the degree of Bachelor of Arts, upon his graduation with the class of 1915. At the university he became affiliated with the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. By his activities in connection with contracting and building operations and the selling of the houses thus erected, Mr. Cook defrayed the expenses of his university course. Not only this, but fuller rewards came from his incidental activities in connection with the building business, as is evident when it is stated that when he entered the university his cash capital was seventy dollars, and after paying his college expenses, in both the academic and law departments, he emerged from fine old Western Reserve University with available capital of $3,000. He was graduated from the law department of Western Reserve University in 1917, and his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws was virtually coincident with his admission to the Ohio bar, in April, 1917. In this connection it may be recorded also that in March, 1923, he was admitted to practice in the Federal Courts of the Cleveland district.

On the 1st of July, 1917, Mr. Cook opened an office in Ashtabula and engaged in the general practice of law. He has made his record an excellent one in his connection with both civil and criminal law, and has built up a substantial practice. His law business was subordinated to patriotism, however, when the nation became involved in the World war. July 20, 1918, marked his enlistment for service in the army transport service, and he was sent to Boston, Massachusetts, and assigned to duty in the United States Merchant Marine as applied to war transport service. He voyaged to France with troops and supplies, and after the return voyage he made a second trip overseas, on this occasion Genoa, Italy, having been the destination. He continued in service until March 17, 1919, when he received his honorable discharge, and he then resumed the practice of his profession.

Mr. Cook maintains his law offices at 160½ Main Street, Ashtabula. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party, and he has given two years of service as clerk of elections, besides which he has held since 1919 the office of justice of the peace. He is now serving his second term as justice of the peace and is a candidate for county prosecutor of Ashtabula County, subject to the primaries of August 12, 1924. He and his wife are active members of the First Congregational Church in their home city. He is affiliated with Harbor Lodge No. 558, Free and Accepted Masons, and Crescent Commandery No. 543, Knights of Malta, at Ashtabula. He is a member of the Ashtabula City Bar Association and the Ashtabula County Bar Association, besides being affiliated with the Phi Delta Phi law school fraternity. He is a stockholder in and attorney for the Marine National Bank of Ashtabula and also the Harbor Investment Association of this city. On the shore of Lake Erie, at 19 Walnut Street, Ashtabula, Mr. Cook owns and occupies one of the attractive homes of the city, and he is the owner of other local realty, as well as real estate in the southern part of Ohio.

June 20, 1917, recorded the marriage of Mr. Cook and Miss Clara M. Salchli, daughter of Frederick Salchli, who is a resident of Erie, Pennsylvania, he being a skilled machinist. Mr. and Mrs. Cook have two children: Ruth C., born February 15, 1920, and Marjorie M., born October 28, 1922.

Homer J. Russell is in the wholesale grocery business in Meigs County, and is a citizen of more than ordinary achievement for a man still under forty years of age.

Up to the age of seventeen he was a farm boy. He went to work for a local merchant named Mit White, at a salary of eight dollars a week. He paid four dollars a week for his board. He remained a clerk in that establishment four years, with increases in salary, and thriftily managed to save $150 in that time, which he used to purchase a half interest in the establishment. That was in 1905. Four years later he sold his share in the business and engaged as a grocery merchant on his own account. He was a retailer for five years, and in the meantime established another store in another part of the town. After selling both these stores he entered the wholesale and jobbing business. Mr. Russell now supplies the retail grocery trade in a territory including Meigs and Gallia counties in Ohio and Mason County, West Virginia. He visits his trade personally, spending two days each week calling upon merchants, while the rest of the time he is in personal charge of the wholesale house and plant. He also has two salesman in the counties named.

Mr. Russell was born on a farm adjoining Middleport, March 15, 1886, son of Alonzo and Hannah Russell. His parents are still living at the old homestead. Alonzo Russell in addition to operating his farm is also a coal operator, having a small coal mine on his place, supplying some of the local demands for coal at Middleport. Alonzo Russell is now sixty-

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seven and his wife, sixty-four. They are very active members of the Baptist Church and Sunday school, and he is a republican and Knight of Pythias. There are two children, Homer J. and Alice. Alice married W. Fred Russell, of the same family name but not related.

Homer J. Russell acquired his early education in district schools near home, leaving school at the age of seventeen and immediately taking up his commercial career as above related. His home was with his parents until he was twenty-five, when he established a home of his own by his marriage to Miss Essie Bolin, daughter of George Bolin. Mrs. Russell has wonderful natural gifts in needle work and related arts, and several years ago she established a millinery store in Middleport and is active manager of that business. She is a member of the Methodist Church, while Mr. Russell is a Baptist. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Knights of Pythias and the Woodmen of the World. He is a republican voter, and a man of fine social as well as business qualifications.

Daniel Hughes is one of the men responsible for the administration of the splendid school system of the City of Middletown. He is principal of the Garfield School in that city, and one of the prominent younger men in Ohio's educational affairs.

He is a native of Middletown, where he was born October 3, 1890, son of the late Samuel and Lena (Coppersmith) Hughes. Attending school in his native city, he was graduated from high school in 1907, and subsequently did special work in Miami University at Oxford and the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. His record as an educator began with the school at Princetown, Ohio, where he served three years as principal. Five years he was principal of schools at Georgetown, Ohio, and then for three years was out of school work, performing the duties of price clerk in the American Rolling Mills Company. Resuming his educational work, he served one year as principal of the Madison Township School, and in 1923 became principal of the Garfield School at Middletown. He has a staff of six teachers and 210 pupils in this school.

Mr. Hughes in his personal studies has specialized in mathematics and geography, and in general school administration is known for his enthusiasm for athletics and organized play. He is a member of the Southwestern Ohio Teachers' Association, the Central Ohio Teachers' Association and the Ohio Teachers' Reading Circle.

In 1917 he married Miss Lucile Davis, of Batavia, Ohio, daughter of Albert L. and Nettie (Clark) Davis. She was graduated from the Batavia High School. They have two children, Loren Vance born in 1918, and a daughter, Lyndal Virginia.

Joseph P. Sabel has obtained a firm standing among the rising real estate and insurance men of Youngstown, although he is of foreign birth and has been a resident of the United States only since 1902. Since his arrival he has allied himself with the best interests of the city of his adoption, with whose prosperity he has prospered and with whose development he has himself developed.

Mr. Sabel was born in Lithuania, January 16, 1880, and received his early education in the public schools of his native place. He was twenty years of age when he decided to try his fortunes in America, going first to England and then to Canada. He was naturally attracted to Youngstown, which at that time was offering great opportunities for young men of enterprise and ambition, and which contained a large Lithuanian settlement. On his arrival he busied himself at various pursuits, finally obtaining employment in a steel mill, making sheet and tube steel. While thus employed he became acquainted with the opportunities to be found in real estate ventures, and began making experiments on his own account, at first in a very small way because of his limited capital. As time went on he increased the size of his ventures, and finally, in June, 1912, gave up all other interests to devote himself to the real estate and insurance business. He now maintains attractive and well appointed offices at 303 Mahoning Bank Building and has a large and valuable clientele.

Mr. Sabel is one of the members who organized the St. Joseph Society among the Lithuanians and later organized the Lithuanian congregation which is now the St. Francis Church. He was elected chairman of the Lithuanian Relief Committee in 1914, and was sent later as a delegate to the Lithuanian National Convention at Chicago. He was active in the interests and work which later freed Lithuania from Russian rule and secured it as a republic.

Mr. Sabel's continuous progress to his present substantial standing has been the pure result of personal exertions and worth, as he has never been able to apply the influences of family force or inherited wealth to his individual affairs. Fortunately he located in a city where he had many brothers in the unaided struggle for advancement, and where those who have fought their way to an advanced position are quick to recognize merit and manliness.

On his way to America in 1900, at Dayton, England, Mr. Sabel was united in marriage with Miss Anna Yanulavicuite, who was born in Lithuania, and they are the parents of three children: John, a graduate of the Youngstown High School and who pursues further studies in music at Warren Conservatory; George, attending the same school, and Vincent, attending a grade school. Thus his progressive and promising career has been rounded out in the way most fitting to the true American citizen, who, whatever his many activities, is anchored to wife, children and home. With his family Mr. Sabel belongs to St. Joseph's Church, in the work of which he has taken an active part, as he has also in civic movements, social events and the Young Men's Christian Association, where he first attended school on locating at Youngstown. He belongs also to the Lithuanian Progressive Club, in which he has numerous appreciative friends, and of which he is still an active member.

Claude A. Bruner, A. B., is giving a most effective and constructive administration in the office of superintendent of the public schools of the City of Lebanon, judicial center of Warren County, and his service has been potent in advancing the standards of work in all departments of the city schools.

Mr. Bruner was born in Champaign County, Ohio, August 3, 1879, and is a son of Daniel and Margaret (Peneton) Bruner. His preliminary education was acquired in the rural schools of his native county, and advanced by his attending the high school in the village of Morrow, Warren County, where he completed in three years the prescribed four years' course. Thereafter he taught one year in the Washington rural school and two years in the Independent School in Warren County, and gave a similar period of service as teacher in the seventh, eighth and ninth grades in the public schools of Mason. He then became superintendent of schools at Butler, Kentucky, where, in addition to having the general supervision of the schools, he taught ten classes each day. Upon concluding his excellent school work at Butler Mr. Bruner returned to Ohio and became superintendent of the public schools at Waynesville. In 1912 he initiated his splendid service in the Lebanon schools, where he was principal of the high school until 1916,

when he was advanced to his present office, that of superintendent of the city schools, with jurisdiction also over twelve rural schools. Under his direction is a total of fifteen schools, thirty-eight teachers, and more than 1,000 pupils. Since coming to Lebanon Mr. Bruner has completed a course in the National Normal University, and also several hours in Miami University at Oxford, this state, besides which he availed himself of the advantages of Wittenberg College, at Springfield, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1915 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. While thus applying himself to diligent advanced study he continued his effective service as principal of the Lebanon High School. His professional loyalty and his enthusiasm in the encouraging of ambitious students have been quickened by the experience which was his in gaining his own education. He became largely dependent upon his own resources when he was a lad of seventeen years, and by his own efforts defrayed the expenses of his more advanced education. He is an active member of the Warren County, the Western Ohio Superintendents' Round Table, the Southwestern Ohio, the Central Ohio, the Ohio State, and the National Teachers' associations, and he has been active and influential in the affairs of various such educational associations.

Mr. Bruner has completed the circle of York Rite Masonry, in which his maximum affiliation is with the Commandery of Knights Templars at Lebanon, the while his Masonic affiliations are extended to the Order of the Eastern Star and to the White Shrine. He is a past master of the Masonic Blue Lodge, holds, in 1924, the office of High Priest in the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, is an officer in his Commandery, and is a past patron in the Eastern Star, besides which he holds membership in the Knights of Pythias, the Pythian Sisters, and the Grange. He is a popular member of the Lebanon Golf Club and the Men of Lebanon Club, of which latter he has served as president, and he is an active member also of the local Rotary Club. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church in their home city, he being a member of its official board, and also chorister and a teacher in its Sunday school.

August 14, 1907, recorded the marriage of Mr. Bruner and Miss Leota Edingfield, daughter of J. J. and Flora (Scull) Edingfield, of Mason, Ohio. Mrs. Bruner attended the high school at Mason, and thereafter was a student in the Cincinnati College of Music, and also the Cincinnati School of Oratory and Dramatic Art, and the Kahn School of Expression, from the latter of which she was graduated and in each of which institutions she later completed post-graduate courses. In the World war period she taught in the eighth grade of the Lebanon schools, and she serves as a cadet or substitute teacher in any grade, when there is requisition for such service on her part. Mrs. Bruner is a past matron of the Eastern Star, is affiliated with the White Shrine, the Pythian Sisters and the Grange, is a valued member of the Woman's Literary Club and the Women of Lebanon Club in her home city, and among her activities in the local Methodist Church is her effective service as a teacher in the Sunday school. She is a popular and influential figure in the social and cultural circles of Lebanon. Mr. and Mrs. Bruner have no children.

On the walls in the office of the Lebanon superintendent of schools, in the high-school building, are displayed photographs of all former superintendents, whose names and respective periods of service are here made a matter of record, as follows: Josiah Hurty, 1851-54; Charles W. Kimball, 1854-61 and 1864-67; Collin Ford, 1861-62; William Hinkle, 1862-64; Louisa J. Wright, 1867-68; W. H. Pabodie, 1868-70; Samuel F. Anderson, 1870-71; Thomas N. Wells, 1871-73; G. N. Carruthers, 1873-74; James C. Murray, 1874-78; Joseph T. Lukens, 1878-94; G. W. Lewis, 1894-99; J. M. Hamilton, 1899-1909; Charles H. Young, 1909-1916; Claude A. Bruner, 1916 to the present time.

Raymond J. Copeland assumed the office of treasurer of the City of Youngstown on the 1st of January, 1922, and gave to the fiscal affairs of the city an administration that fully justified the popular confidence that was shown in November 1921, when he was elected to this office by the largest majority ever rolled up for a candidate for said office in the whole history of this city.

Mr. Copeland was born on the parental homestead farm in Columbiana County, Ohio, November 5, 1883, and is a son of Calvin and Elizabeth (Hudson) Copeland, the former of whom was likewise a native of Columbiana County and the latter was born near New Cumberland, West Virginia. Calvin Copeland passed virtually his entire life in his native county, there became a substantial exponent of farm industry, and there his death occurred in 1901, his widow being now a resident of Youngstown.

Raymond J. Copeland was graduated from the high school at Struthers, Mahoning County, as a member of the class of 1898. He soon afterward became a trainman in railroad service, and in this line he was employed in turn by the Erie and the New York Central Railroad companies. Effective service won him advancement, and finally he became, in the rate and freight inspection department, an inspector in the interest of fifty-two railroads east of the Mississippi River. In this important service he continued, with headquarters at Youngstown, for a period of seven years, and his retirement came when he was elected city treasurer, in which connection he was a valued member of the city's executive corps at the city building in Youngstown. He has been a loyal worker in the ranks of the republican party, on the ticket of which he was elected to office. He and his wife are active members of Westminster Presbyterian Church at Youngstown, as is also his widowed mother. He is affiliated also with the Masonic fraternity, the Knigths of Pythias, the Protective Home Circle, and the Loyal Order of Moose, in which last organization he has passed the various official chairs, including that of dictator.

In June, 1916, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Copeland and Miss Anna V. Gillespie, who was born and reared at Youngstown and who is a daughter of John and Mary (Reiley) Gillespie, natives of Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Copeland have no children.

Presley H. Said. One of the best known and most highly respected citizens of Delaware is Presley H. Said. His career throughout has been identified with useful work, in young manhood as a teacher, and for over twenty years with the McKenzie Lumber Company, of which he is secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Said was born at Effingham, Illinois, November 29, 1871, but he represents two families that have been in Delaware County from pioneer days. His great-grandfather, Jesse Said, went from North Carolina into Eastern Kentucky, settling at Mount Sterling. The grandfather, Presley Said, accompanied by a brother, moved out of Kentucky and settled in Delaware County, Ohio, about 1835. He took up and developed a farm and reared his family there. His wife was Amelia Leggitt.

Simpson Said, son of Presley and Amelia (Leggitt) Said, was born on the old homestead in Delaware County, grew up there and attended the local schools, and when fifteen years of age went away to the army to help fight the battles of the Civil war. On account of his age his father took him out of the service.

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Still later he enlisted in the Eighty-eighth Ohio Infantry, and was with that regiment until the close of hostilities, most of the time on garrison duty. As a youth he came to know Sarah McCullough, who lived on a farm a few miles from the Saids. Some time after the war they were married. Her father was John McCullough, and the McCulloughs were of Scotch-Irish ancestry and came from Pennsylvania to Delaware County about 1830. Sarah McCullough was educated in the country schools, in the Central College at Westerville, Ohio, and was a teacher until her marriage. She died in 1893. In 1868 Simpson Said bought a farm at Effingham, Illinois, and lived there until 1877. Selling out, he returned to Delaware County, and is still living here.

Presley H. Said was six years old when the family returned to Delaware County. He attended the public schools at Ostrander, and was in the high school there until 1888. Subsequently he obtained a teacher's certificate, and taught in the country districts of Delaware County from 1889 to 1896. Mr. Said for a time attended Ohio Northern University at Ada, and had one year in Ohio Wesleyan University. During his university course at Delaware he employed his evenings and other spare time as bookkeeper for the McKenzie Lumber Company. Early in 1898 the Spanish-American war broke out, and he was one of the young men from Delaware County who enlisted in Company K of the Fourth Ohio Infantry. The regiment went to Camp Thomas, Georgia, and was in the Porto Rico campaign, participating in two engagements, including the battle of Guayana.

Mr. Said in January, 1899, returned to Delaware, and since then has been permanently associated with Mr. McKenzie in the lumber business. He is a director in the McKenzie Lumber Company of Delaware, the Lumber and Coal Company of Springfield, the McKenzie Lumber and Timber Company of Waldo, McKenzie & Smith Company of Cardington, four prosperous organizations manufacturing and dealing in lumber and woodwork, wholesale and retail. Most of his duties are connected with the McKenzie Lumber Company of Delaware, of which he is secretary and treasurer. He is also a director and vice president of the Delaware Automatic Incubator Company.

April 14, 1904, at Delaware, Mr. Said married Miss Henrietta Frost, daughter of Henry C. and Mary J. (Ramsey) Frost. Her parents were born in Ohio and are now deceased. Her father was a farmer and stock buyer, and was one of the best known men in the county. Her mother, Mary J. Frost, was a daughter of Samuel Ramsey, one of the pioneers of Delaware County.

Mr. and Mrs. Said have one daughter, Mary, born in 1910, and now attending public school. The family are members of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Said was president in 1918 and is one of the leading members of the Delaware Chamber of Commerce. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club, the Spanish-American War Veterans and is a Royal Arch and Knight Templar Mason and Shriner.

Scott J. Matthews is founder and president of the Matthews Company at Port Clinton, Ottawa County, manufacturers of motor boats and cruising yachts and operating one of the largest plants of the kind. This company also builds various types of pleasure boats, gas engines, electric lighting plants and other mechanical equipment for marine service.

Scott J. Matthews was born at Bascom, Seneca County, Ohio, March 8, 1869, son of Henry W. and Linney C. Matthews. His parents still live at Bastom, his father, at eighty-two and his mother at eighty. His father is a retired lumberman, and for many years operated saw mills in Lauderdale County, Tennessee, and elsewhere, and had planing mills and lumber yards at Bascom. He and his wife are members of the United Brethren Church.

Scott J. Matthews was the only child of his parents and in his early manhood was actively associated with his father in the lumber business.

In 1892, while he was manager of his father's lumber and timber business, which included a plant for the manufacture of cabinets, Mr. Matthews constructed his first boat, one for his own pleasure and use, a launch propelled by a two-horse power motor, internal combustion engine. Several years later he was commissioned by the superintendent of the Lozier Manufacturing Campany at Toledo, Ohio, to construct a twenty-six foot cabin boat. After considerable difficulty a motor was secured and installed in the boat, but Mr. Matthews and the owner spent nearly an entire day before they could get the motor in action.

Out of this came an alliance between the great Lozier industry and Mr. Matthews, the latter turning out the boats at his plant in Bascom, while the Loziers built the motors. In 1906 Mr. Matthews moved his plant to Port Clinton, and the Matthews Company now has an establishment with about 50,000 square feet of floor space, covering eight acres, and with 1,200 feet of dockage. The company is capitalized at $820,000, Mr. Matthews being its president.

Mr. Matthews also invented and designed the high class type of the farm lighting plants, and manufactured some of them before the World war. The company still sells marine lighting plants. During the World war the Matthews plant was greatly enlarged, and handled a number of government contracts, including contracts for twenty submarine chasers for the navy, about one hundred sea plane hulls and pontoons, and also built some submarine chasers for the French Government, all the contracts being filled with honor. After the war the Matthews plant was shut down for three years, but in 1922 it was reopened and has since been busy with yacht construction. The company has built some of the finest cruising yachts in existence, including one for a Cleveland man that is ninety-five feet long and designed for ocean travel. While at Bascom Mr. Matthews built a seventy-foot motor yacht called Onward, and made a notable cruise of a year, beginning at Peoria, on the Illinois River, and down the Mississippi and across the Gulf and up the Atlantic coast to New York. That was in 1905-06. The boat is still in commission on the Atlantic coast.

Mr. Matthews married Martha J. Miller, of Bascom. They have two sons and two daughters. The oldest son, Carl F. Matthews, was a naval designer with the navy department at Washington during the World war, and is now chief engineer and designer for the Matthews Company. He is the inventor of a tire rope for automobiles. The second son, Allen W. Matthews, is assistant engineer at the plant. The two daughters are Catherine and Helen. The family are members of the Episcopal Church. Mr. Matthews is a member of the Kiwanis Club, Colonial Club and many yacht and hunting clubs. He is a republican, and his sons are members of the Masonic Order.

Gordon G. Ball, who has become one of the successful and influential representatives of real-estate enterprise in Trumbull County, with office headquarters in the Western Reserve Bank Building in the City of Warren, the county seat.

Mr. Ball was born in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, on the 7th of March, 1878, and is a son of Thomas G. and Laura A. (Fuller) Ball, whose marriage was solemnized at Ravenna, Ohio, in which city the widowed mother now maintains her home. She was born in the State of Pennsylvania, January 19, 1860, and was eight years of age when the family came to Ohio

and established a home at Beechwood, near Ravenna, Portage County. Thomas G. Ball was born in the year 1852, and was a resident of Birmingham, Alabama, at the time of his death in 1887, he having previously been depot master for the old Ohio & Mobile Railroad Company, and having removed to Birmingham about the year 1885. There he continued in the service of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company until his death. His political allegiance was given to the republican party, in the affairs of which he was deeply interested during the many years of his residence in Ohio. Of the children, Gordon G., of this sketch, is the eldest; Mabel is the wife of Edward C. Fish, of Ravenna, Portage County; Laura Augusta died at the age of three years, the family home at the time having been at Covington, Kentucky; Edward Chauncey resides at Ravenna and is a tire builder for the Mason Tire & Rubber Company of Kent, Portage County.

The early education of Gordon G. Ball was obtained in the public schools of Cincinnati and Ravenna, but as a lad of eleven years he found employment in the operating of a scraping machine at the works of the Globe Carbon Company in Ravenna. He continued in the employ of this concern until he was sixteen years old, and during the ensuing three and one-half years he was employed in the nickel plating department of the Williams Iron Works, Ravenna, where he won promotion to the position of boss plater. He was next advanced to the post of metal polisher in the same establishment, with which he continued his service in this capacity for another period of three and one-half years. From 1901 to 1903 he was engaged in farm enterprise near Ravenna, and he then sold his farm to Dan Hanna, son of the late Hon. Mark Hanna. Shortly afterward he purchased a farm near Streetsboro, Portage County, but a year later he sold this property and purchased a restaurant in the City of Kent, that county. He conducted this restaurant enterprise three years, and in the meanwhile took a correspondence course in real-estate operations with the Cross Cooperative Association of Chicago, his course having been completed in 1909, when he was graduated, he having in the meanwhile, in 1907, taken a clerical position in the service of the Erie Railroad Company. After his graduation he returned to Ravenna and resumed occupation as a metal polisher with the Williams Iron Works, with which he continued his connection one year, the while he gave his time evenings to the selling of insurance. In 1909 Mr. Ball was severely stricken with pleuro-pneumonia, and the consequent impairment of his lungs made it imperative for him to find outdoor employment after he had recuperated from his illness. He accordingly took a position with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and he was manager of its business at Ravenna and Kent from 1910 to 1913. From the latter year until 1917 he was the Portage County manager for the Toledo Life Insurance Company. He then became a real-estate salesman for the Mead Company at Akron, and in March, 1918, he formed a partnership with Earl Mead in the real-estate business at Warren. In June of the same year, however, the firm transferred its operations to Erie, Pennsylvania, here he sold real-estate allotments for the West Ridge Land Company until the following October. For this company Mr. Ball thereafter continued as sales manager until September, 1919, when he returned to Warren and assumed charge of the local office of Earl F. Mead, he having assumed control of the business in this field after the death of Mr. Mead in June, 1920, and having since continued as one of the leading real-estate men in the City of Warren, where he gives special attention to the handling of allotments and city properties. He now has the supervision of the Meadow Brook Little Farms allotment and the Liberty Steel Little Farms allotment, both of which lie adjacent to Warren, and he is doing a similar service of exploiting in connection with the Westmoreland Little Farms allotment, his well appointed offices being at 608 Western Reserve Bank Building.

Mr. Ball is loyally aligned in the local ranks of the republican party, he and his wife hold membership in the Christian Church; he is affiliated with Carl F. Clapp Lodge No. 655, Free and Accepted Masons, as well as Ali Baba Grotto of the Veiled Prophets, and Akron Lodge No. 363, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is secretary of the Lions Club at Warren, is here a stockholder in the Citizens Commercial & Savings Bank, and in addition to his attractive home, at 18 York Street, he owns three dwellings and a number of city lots in Warren.

At Ravenna, on Christmas day of the year 1900, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Ball and Miss Mary Guttridge, daughter of the late William and Mary Guttridge, her father having been a skilled steel worker and having been employed as such both at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Warren, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Ball have two children: Clara Belle is the wife of Murray Higgins, of Watertown, Wisconsin, and Kenneth Vincent is, in 1924, a student in the public schools of Warren.

JOHN H. HOMEGARDNER, JUNIOR. The late John H. Homegardner, Junior, was for many years one of the leading business men of Sandusky, and at the time of his death was president and general manager of the Homegardner Sand Company and a director of the Citizens Banking & Trust Company. He was born at Sandusky, Ohio, July 29, 1854, and died in the city of his nativity November 30, 1917. His parents were John and Mary (Loebline) Homegardner, natives of Switzerland and Germany, respectively.

Mr. Homegardner was reared at Sandusky, and attended Saint Mary's parochial school and Brickey Business College. When he was only thirteen years old he began learning the sand business with his father, by whom he was employed for eleven years, and then he was taken into the shoe firm of Guideman & Homegardner, and this association continued until 1889, when he embarked in the sand business and became vice president of the Homegardner Sand Company, holding that office until the death of his father, the president of the concern, when he succeeded him, and, as before stated, was its chief executive and general manager from then until his demise. He was connected with several other local enterprises, for he was a man of great energy and possessed a deep-seated faith in Sandusky and its future.

On June 28, 1881, Mr. Homegardner married Louise Stang, who was born in Huron County, Ohio, November 21, 1854, a daughter of Peter and Magdalene (Herman) Stang, natives of Baden, Germany, and Alsace-Lorraine, France, respectively. The grandparents, Joseph and Mary (Platz) Stang, came direct to Huron County, Ohio, after landing in this country, and here they became farmers. The maternal grandparents, Joseph and Magdalene Herman, were early settlers of Huron County. All of the members of both families were interested in agriculture. Mr. and Mrs. Homegardner had the following children: Norma Louise, who married J. T. Farrell, of Sandusky; and Wanda Marie, who married Norbert J. Kuebeler, and resides with her widowed mother. Mr. Homegardner belonged to Saint Mary's Roman Catholic Church, and his widow belongs to Saints Peter and Paul's Roman Catholic Church. In politics he was a democrat. Fraternally he affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, which he served as treasurer for a number of years, and with several other orders. In his death Sandusky lost one

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of its representative citizens, and his family and church a loyal, upright and Christian man.

MATT HOFMASTER. In the earlier periods of this country's history when nearly everyone owned his own home, the real-estate business was not nearly so important as it is today, when the changes in living conditions and business exactions have resulted in a tendency to rent instead of buy, so that ownership of property has fallen into the hands of a few, and their affairs are, as a rule, handled by expert realtors, who, giving all of their time to such matters, know how to render the best service to all parties. Particularly has their work been of value during the recent building shortage produced by war conditions, and one of the alert business men of Sandusky who has achieved excellent results in this field is Matt Hofmaster, 1126 Columbus Avenue.

Matt Hofmaster was born in Switzerland, in 1870, a son of Matt and Anna (Stoker) Hofmaster, who in 1871, came to the United States and settled at Sandusky, Ohio. The father, a carpenter by trade, and an excellent workman, found plenty of employment, but was not satisfied with conditions, and so later moved to Kansas, where the mother subsequently died.

After the death of his mother the younger Matt Hofmaster returned to Sandusky and established himself in the real estate business, in which he has since continued, building up a large and valuable connection. He maintains membership with the Sandusky Chamber of Commerce, and through it and in divers other ways is of value to his community.

In 1897 Mr. Hofmaster married Tena Hassenflug, born at Sandusky, a daughter of Nicholas and Marie Hassenflug, natives of Switzerland. The General Reformed Church holds the membership of Mrs. Hofmaster and receives her support. In political faith he is a republican. Fraternally he affiliates with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and with the Knights of Pythias. In everything he undertakes Mr. Hofmaster goes into details carefully, and his results show that he understands his business and that he has the confidence of those who deal with him.

JOHN N. GEORGE is a civil engineer by profession, the same line that his father followed and for which some of his sons are also training, and for the past five years he has been city engineer of East Liverpool.

Mr. George was born in Allegheny, Pennsylvania, October 14, 1874. His father, John A. George, was born in September, 1838, at Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania, was reared there, and as a young man moved to Allegheny City, now a part of greater Pittsburgh. He married there and followed his profession as civil engineer, but in 1874 moved to Wellsville, Ohio, where he took charge of the construction of the Wellsville waterworks. In 1882 he removed to East Liverpool, and in connection with his practice as a civil engineer he acted for seventeen years as city engineer. He died in December, 1921. He was also county engineer of Columbiana County for one term, was a republican, and a devout member of the First Presbyterian Church. He served in the Civil war as a Union soldier, being a member of a Pennsylvania Regiment of Infantry.

John A. George married Henrietta Shelby, who was born at Allegheny, Pennsylvania, in 1853, and died at East Liverpool in 1893. She was the mother of five children, John N., being the oldest; Howard died at the age of seven years; Walter W. is a merchant at Youngstown, Ohio; Will H. was a traveling salesman, and died at East Liverpool at the age of thirty; and Ethel is the wife of Walter Lucas, who operates a printing establishment at Kansas City, Kansas.

John N. George has lived at East Liverpool since he was eight years of age. He was educated in the East Liverpool public schools and in Wooster University at Wooster, Ohio. Leaving the university, he went to work under his father, serving a practical apprenticeship to learn civil engineering. That has been his profession, and to it he has given his best energies for twenty-five years or more. He has done practically all his work in East Liverpool and over other sections of Columbiana County. His offices are in the East Liverpool Review-Tribune Building on Washington Street. Mr. George was appointed city engineer by Mayor Joseph S. Wilson in July, 1919.

He is a republican in politics, and is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, of the American Engineering Society and of the Ohio Engineering Society. He owns real estate in East Liverpool, including his home at 416 Vine Street.

Mr. George married at East Liverpool in June, 1892, Miss Carrie Yates, daughter of Noah and Sarah (Lawson) Yates, residents of East Liverpool, where her father is a retired merchant. Mr. and Mrs. George have five children: Harry Y., a student in the Case school of Applied Science at Cleveland; Norman, who graduated from the East Liverpool High School in 1923, now assisting his father; Ralph, a student in the East Liverpool High School; Sarah Alice, also in high school; and Dorothy.

CLINTON DAVIS SHAFER, president and manager of C. D. Shafer & Company, wholesale grocers in Athens County, has exhibited a genius for commerce, and when little more than a school boy engaged successfully in business.

He was born at Nelsonville, Athens County, Ohio, and still has his home there. His birth occurred December 11, 1881. His parents were George and Mary Margaret (Shoemaker) Shafer. The Shafer family came to Ohio from New Jersey in 1850 and settled two and one-half miles north of Athens. George Shafer was then a boy, and he walked the entire distance from New Jersey except for one-half day when he rode in a wagon. As a young man he was crippled, and he worked in the David Zenner store in Athens. For many years he was a grocery merchant at Nelsonville, and he died at the age of seventy-six, and his wife, at seventy-two. They were active members of the Christian Church, and he was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In the family were ten children. The sons all took up commercial pursuits: Edward E., who has charge of the Nelsonville branch of C. D. Shafer & Company; Harvey W., who is in the grocery business at Nelsonville; D. F., in the coal business at Columbus; Clinton D.; Eugene, of Worthington, Ohio; Donald H., who has a cigar and news stand at Nelsonville; and Cecil S., of Nelsonville.

Clinton Davis Shafer was reared at Nelsonville, and while attending the grammar and high schools there he was employed in his father's store, this being his training for an independent business career. In 1898, when only seventeen years of age, he made his first business venture, on borrowed money. In that year and the following year he bought potatoes by the car load lots in Michigan, and sold them to local merchants in Southeastern Ohio. In 1902 Mr. Shafer and his brother H. W. bought the store of their father, and two years later he became sole proprietor of the business. In 1913 he established the wholesale grocery house of C. D. Shafer & Company, his brother, Edward E., being his partner. For eight years this company did a large business with the country trade in the three counties of Hocking, Perry and Athens. Mr. Shafer still visits occa-

sionally his old customers over these counties. In 1922 he bought the wholesale grocery business at Athens, formerly the F. C. Stedman Company, and he now has two plants, doing business in ten Ohio counties. Mr. Shafer is also president of the Carbon Hill Oil and Gas Company. He is a member of the Nelsonville Chamber of Commerce, belongs to the Rotary Club, is a member of the Masonic Lodge at Nelsonville, and in politics is independent. In 1905 Mr. Shafer married Miss Lucy Jack, daughter of William F. Jack, of Albany.

W. Sidney Harvey has the technical equipment and the executive ability that conspire to make most effective his administration in the office of city engineer of Warren, the vital capital city of Trumbull County.

Walter Sidney Harvey was born in historic old Swansea, South Wales, and the date of his nativity was December 16, 1880. He is a son of John F. and Mary Ann (Spurway) Harvey, the former of whom still resides at Swansea, and the latter there died in the year 1904. She was born at Barnstaple, Devonshire, England, in 1841, and her mother there lived to the remarkable age of 103 years.

John F. Harvey was born near Barnstaple, Devonshire, England, in 1846, and there he was reared and educated. At the age of twenty-one he moved to South Wales, where he has continuously resided at Swansea since he was a youth of twenty-three years. As a chartered accountant of exceptional ability, he there continued to follow his profession until the spring of 1923, when he retired from his post as active head of the firm of John F. Harvey & Sons, of which he was the founder and the business of which is being continued by his son Charles H., the enterprise being now one of the largest and most important of its kind in South Wales. John F. Harvey is a liberal in politics, has been affiliated with the Masonic fraternity for more than half a century, and is a zealous member of the Congregational Church, as was also his wife. Of the children the first born, Francis, died at the age of eighteen months; Alice died when three years of age; Edith Maude, the wife of Archibald E. Grant, died in September, 1923, in London, England, where her husband is a representative of the British Insulated and Helsby Cables, Limited, electrical engineers, Mr. and Mrs. Grant having spent several years in Canada and having resided for a considerable time in India; George Henry is city treasurer of Johannesburg, South Africa; Charles Herbert resides at Swansea and has charge of the business there founded by his father, as noted in a preceding paragraph; John Stanley, a lawyer by profession, is a practicing solicitor at Swansea, where he is a member of the firm of Davies, Ingram & Harvey; Walter Sidney, of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; and Alice Mabel, who resides at Swansea, is the widow of Donald Burnie, who was killed in the World war, while in service as a member of the Royal Welsh command, in which he was a first lieutenant.

In St. Andrew's College and Swansea Grammar School in his native city W. Sidney Harvey continued his studies until he was eighteen years of age, when he went to Bristol, England. There he was articled to Col. T. J. Scoons, Member of the Institute of Civil Engineers, of Bristol, with whom he continued to be associated five years, in the meanwhile winning advancement to the position of chief assistant engineer. While with Colonel Scoons he made three trips to West Africa, where he served as resident engineer of steel pier work. He next allied himself with the British Insulated & Helsby Cables, Limited, in the capacity of resident engineer, with headquarters at Prescott, near Liverpool, England, and for one year he was engineer on street-railway construction work at Chesterfield, England. Thereafter he passed about one year as chief assistant to the borough engineer of Chesterfield. For the ensuing four years he was associated with the firm of Robert H. B. Neal, Limited, contractors on public works. In this connection he was chief engineer agent on sewerage works in Somerset, and dock work for the Northeastern Railway at Hull, England.

In 1910 Mr. Harvey came to America, and at Toronto, Canada, held the post of assistant engineer in the main drainage department of the city about one year. In 1911 he went to Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, as chief assistant city engineer, and later he was made city engineer, a position which he retained until 1914, when he returned to Toronto. There he served three years as chief designing engineer of sewers, and in 1917 he joined the Leaside Munitions Company, by whom he was employed as constructing engineer on a large shell plant for the United States government at Leaside, Ontario. After the armistice brought the World war to a close Mr. Harvey, in the autumn of 1918, joined the staff of the Toronto Harbor Commission, as engineer of sewers. About one year later he became associated with Alexander Potter, a leading consulting engineer in New York City, and it was in this connection that he came to Warren, Ohio, to take charge of a comprehensive survey and the preparation of a report relative to water conservation in the Mahoning Valley, besides designing the Red Run sewer and making an appraisal of the waterworks system of Warren. This city was signally favored in gaining Mr. Harvey, a man of sterling character and remarkable broad and varied professional and technical experience, as the incumbent of the office of city engineer, a post to which he was here appointed in March, 1921, and of which he has since continued the efficient and valued holder. He had become acting city engineer several months prior to his formal appointment.

Mr. Harvey is an associate member of the Institution of Civil Engineers, England; an associate member of the Engineering Institute of Canada, of the Toronto branch of which he was secretary for some time; and is a member of the American Association of Engineers. He was the winner of the Telford premium awarded in 1907 by the Institution of Civil Engineers in England, this distinction having come to him on the merit of his excellent paper on the subject of pier construction. At Warren, Mr. Harvey and his wife are zealous communicants of Christ Church, Protestant Episcopal, and here also he is affilliated with Carroll F. Clapp Lodge No. 655, Free and Accepted Masons.

On the 6th of June, 1911, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Harvey and Miss Lina Vivian Haddock, the wedding having occurred at Lachine Province of Quebec, Canada. Mrs. Harvey is a daughter of George and Kathleen (Vivian) Haddock, the former of whom died in Hull, England, his widow being now a member of the family circle of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey at Warren. Mr. Haddock, a skilled accountant, was for many years stationed near Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic, in the service of the celebrated Liebig Company, manufacturers of meat extracts. Mrs. Harvey attended college in South America, the Putney High School in London, England, and the Harrogate Ladies College at Harrogate, England. A woman of culture and gracious personality, she is now a popular figure in the representative social life of Warren. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey have two children: Kathleen, born March 17, 1912, and Vivian, born August 4, 1917.

Paul Weeks Litchfield located at Akron in 1900, a recognized expert in rubber factory manage-

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ment and technique, and took charge of the factory of the then recently established Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, which was organized in 1898. The company at that time manufactured bicycle tires and carriage tires, and for half a dozen years the business encountered many difficulties. The Goodyear Company was one of the first to adopt its manufacturing facilities to the making of automobile tires, and during the past fifteen years the company has become the largest of its kind in the world, manufacturing a long list of rubber products and with factories and distributing agencies all over the world. Mr. Litchfield has directed the factory operations and has kept the technical facilities equal to the immense demand made upon them.

He was born at Boston, Massachusetts, July 26, 1875, son of Charles M. and Julia (Weeks) Litchfield. His parents were natives of Maine. The founder of the Litchfield family came from England in 1636. The paternal grandmother of Mr. Litchfield was a Soule, descended from George Soule, who came over in the Mayflower. P. W. Litchfield qualifies for membership in the Mayflower Society and the Sons of the American Revolution.

Paul W. Litchfield graduated from the English High School at Boston in 1892, and in 1896 received the degree Bachelor of Science and chemical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Practically his entire experience since leaving college has been in the field of rubber manufacturing. He learned the practical technical details of making rubber tires and cloth at Reading, Massachusetts, and was with the tire manufacturing concern the L. C. Chase Company at Chelsea, Massachusetts, until 1898. He was foreman in the plant of the New York Belting & Packing Company of Passaic, New Jersey, for a time, and in 1899 was made superintendent of the International Tire Company at Chelsea, Massachusetts.

In July, 1900, he came to Akron as factory superintendent for the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company. In December, 1915, he was made vice president of the company, as well as being kept in charge of the factory operations. He has also been a director in the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company of Canada, Great Britain and California, and is officially identified with other organizations in the rubber industry.

Mr. Litchfield is also responsible for the aeronautics department at Goodyear, leading in the manufacturing of balloons and airships in America. He is also general manager of the Goodyear Zeppelin Corporation.

Mr. Litchfield has served as a trustee of Akron University. He has been president of the University Club of Akron, president of the Technology Club of Northern Ohio, an official in the Akron Chamber of Commerce, and is a Knights Templar Mason. He belongs to the Portage Country Club and other social organizations.

He married, June 23, 1904, Miss Florence Pennington Brinton, daughter of Capt. J. B. Brinton, of Ashland, Ohio. Their children are Katharine Pennington and Edith F.

Joseph N. Schaefer, the popular proprietor of the Phoenix Hotel in the City of Findlay, Hancock County, was born at Sandusky, Ohio, December 10, 1863, and is a son of Joseph and Anna (Baker) Schaefer, both natives of Germany and both children at the time of the immigration of the respective families to the United States. Joseph Schaefer was born in Luxemburg, Germany, in 1832, and thus was about seven years of age when, in 1839, he accompanied his parents to the United States, the family home having been established at Rochester, New York, where the parents passed the remainder of their lives. After his marriage Joseph Schaefer worked at his trade, that of cooper, in Ohio, and in the early '70s he engaged in the retail grocery business at Sandusky. About the year 1876 he removed with his family to Green Springs, Seneca County, where he was engaged in the liquor business until the early '80s, when he returned to Sandusky. About ten years later he came to Findlay, where he continued to make his home until his death. Both he and his wife were communicants of the Catholic Church, and his political allegiance was given to the democratic party. Of the six children four are living at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1923: Mary is the wife of Edward Curth, of Toledo; Joseph N., of this sketch, is the next younger; Carrie maintains her home in Toledo; and Anna is the wife of Henry Miller.

In his boyhood and early youth Joseph N. Schaefer received the advantages of the Catholic parochial schools, and he remained at the parental home until he had attained to his legal majority. He then entered the service of the street car company in the City of Cincinnati. He was later employed by other concerns in that city, and illness finally led him to return to Sandusky, where he remained until he had recuperated. In 1887 he engaged in business at Findlay, and in 1889 he here established himself in the hotel business, in which he successfully continued for several years, when he sold his hotel and business. In the meanwhile he had been specially successful in his activities in connection with oil production in the Ohio fields. Eventually he resumed his active association with the hotel business at Findlay, where he owns the Phoenix Hotel and maintains the same at an excellent standard. He is aligned in the ranks of the democratic party, and is affiliated with the Findlay Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

In 1888 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Schaefer and Miss Mary E. Gunderman, and they became the parents of two sons, both of whom died young. Mrs. Schaefer's death occurred August 11, 1922, and in the summer of 1923 Mr. Schaefer initiated a tour in Europe.

Maria Longworth Storer of Cincinnati was born in that city, March 20, 1849, daughter of Joseph and Annie (Reeves) Longworth. She is a granddaughter of Nicholas Longworth, one of the founders of Cincinnati. Mrs. Storer was founded of the Rockwood Pottery in 1880, one of the notable manufacturing institutions of Cincinnati. She has herself done notable work as decorator in pottery and metal, and was awarded the gold medal at the Paris Expositions of 1889 and 1900. She married in 1868, George Ward Nichols, who died in 1895. Her second husband was Bellamy Storer, lawyer and diplomat, who died November 12, 1922.

B. Worth Weller. A business really national in scope and importance is that of the J. Weller Company, canners and packers of vegetable products, with the main headquarters of the business now located at Oak Harbor in Ottawa County, Ohio. The manager of this business is B. Worth Weller, son of the founder, Jacob Weller.

Jacob Weller was born in Maryland, near the City of Washington, in the year of 1842, of Holland-Dutch ancestry. He was well educated. When the Civil war came on the Weller family was living on the border, and he entered service with the Confederate states, while other members of the family were represented in the Union army. Jacob Weller acquired a Bachelor's degree from a Pennsylvania college. His people were largely truck and stock farmers, and the young man Jacob Weller engaged in the peanut busi-

ness. He had his headquarters at Wilmington, North Carolina, and bought peanuts all over Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee. Subsequently he moved his residence to Covington, Kentucky, and in 1876 established a pickle business in Cincinnati, this being one of the first establishments of the kind in Ohio. Jacob Weller at one time was known as the Peanut King of America. In 1900 a small plant of the J. Weller Company was established at Oak Harbor, and in 1908 B. Worth Weller came to Oak Harbor and since has had the personal management of the business there. The products of the Weller plant in Cincinnati were known as the Acme brand. The chief output of the Oak Harbor industry is dill pickles, kraut and catsup. Many jobbers over the country sell the Weller goods under their own brand. The peanut business built up by J. Weller was subsequently turned over to his wife's brother J. B. Worth, of Petersburg, Virginia.

Jacob Weller and wife since 1914 have had their home at Oak Harbor. He was a prominent citizen of Cincinnati for many years, and was nominated on the citizens ticket and elected treasurer of Cincinnati. This citizens ticket was nominated for the purpose of securing clean administration of city affairs, which had long suffered from the corruption of Boss Cox Rule. This was the only elective office ever held by Jacob Weller, and his administration resulted in saving the city $76,000 in a single year. Jacob Weller has been strictly independent in local politics, though usually leaning to the republican cause in national affairs. He served as a deacon of the Presbyterian Church in Covington, and held membership in the Knights Templar Commandery of Masonry at Covington. He is a director of the First National Bank in Oak Harbor. Jacob Weller married Virginia Worth, who was born in North Carolina in 1852, and is of English ancestry. They became the parents of three children: Arthur Douglas, who was associated with his father's business and a very able man, who died at the early age of thirty-three, in 1916; and Mary, the wife of Starr Walter, a bond broker at Cincinnati.

B. Worth Weller, the other son of Jacob Weller and wife, was born at Covington, Kentucky, February 10, 1880, and derived his early education in the public schools at Covington and also attended Colonel Bingham's famous military school near Asheville, North Carolina. He had one year in the University of Cincinnati, but an accident resulting in a cracked hand caused him to leave the University. He subsequently became his father's assistant, and in 1907 he went to Arizona, riding the range on a stock ranch and sleeping in the open as a means of warding off a threatened attack of tuberculosis. He came home completely rugged in health, and has maintained a perfect picture of health through subsequent years. In addition to the main business at Oak Harbor the Weller Company has branch plants at Clay, New York, and Leslie, Michigan.

B. Worth Weller is a member of the Business Men's Association and the local Masonic bodies, and belongs to the Knights Templar Commandery at Fremont, the Mystic Shrine at Toledo and the Elks Lodge at Fremont. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, and he is non-partisan in politics.

Mr. Weller married Miss Adelle Chittenden Sowles, daughter of Charles Sowles, of Cincinnati. Mr. Weller was a football player while in college. He also belongs to the Perueian Boat Club at Cincinnati. His hobby has been the collection of fire arms, both ancient and modern. While a resident of Cincinnati he served as a lieutenant of company G of the First Ohio Regiment, National Guard.

HAROLD E. MAPUS is a representative of the third generation of the Mapus family in Erie County, Ohio, and at Sandusky, the judical center of the county, he has found ample opportunity for the developing of a substantial real estate business of general order. His operations have been extended outside the limits of the city and county, and he has status as one of the vital and progressive exponents of this important line of enterprise in his native county. His birth occurred on his father's farm in Groton Township, this county, July 30, 1893, and he is a son of George W. and Kate W. (McCarty) Mapus, the former of whom was likewise born in Erie County and the latter was born in Sandusky County, this state, a daughter of Thomas W. and Esther E. (White) McCarty. Her father was born in Pennsylvania. Mr. Mapus' great-grandfather Ward built the first flour mill in this section. It was located at Venice, Ohio. His grandfather Mapus came at the age of fifteen from Germany to America, and resided in Erie County until his death. George W. Mapus, who is still numbered among the substantial exponents of farm industry in Erie County, has here maintained his home from the time of his birth, and he is a son of Peter J. and Emily M. (Ward) Mapus, the former a native of Germany and the latter of Erie County, Ohio. Mrs. Kate W. (McCarty) Mapus died February 8, 1924, and is survived by five children.

The early educational discipline of Harold E. Mapus included that of the Margaretta Township High School, and thereafter he continued his studies in the University of Ohio until 1911. He continued his alliance with farm industry thereafter until he had attained to his legal majority, when he became a salesman for the Cleveland branch of Swift & Company, the great Chicago meat packers. His next service was at Findlay, where for eighteen months he was associated with the Hancock-Buick Company, distributors for the Buick automobiles and also for the products of the Minneapolis Steel & Machinery Company. It was after severing this connection that Mr. Mapus established his present real-estate business at Sandusky, where his energy and progressive policies are making for the continuous expansion of his business in both scope and importance.

Mr. Mapus is a republican of well fortified convictions, is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of the Maccabees, is a member of the Commercial Club in the Village of Castalia, and he and his wife hold membership in the Congregational Church.

November 30, 1914, recorded the marriage of Mr. Mapus and Miss Lois E. Palmer, who was born and reared in Erie County, a daughter of Samuel J. and Lydia A. (Burr) Palmer, the former a native of this county and the latter of Sandusky County. Mr. and Mrs. Mapus have four children: Gertrude E., James W., Harold Leland and Eva Marie.

EARL C. REID, secretary and treasurer of the Orwell Banking Company at Orwell, Ashtabula County, has proved a most careful and progressive executive and has done much to further the success of this well ordered institution, which is incorporated as a state bank and which initiated business in the year 1897. The Orwell Banking Company bases operations on a capital stock of $25,000, it has surplus and undivided profits totaling $41,500, and its deposits are $500,000. The personnel of the executive corps of the company is as here designated: E. A. Sellers, president; F. W. Parker, vice president; Earl C. Reid, secretary and treasurer; and E. J. Goddard, assistant cashier.

Earl C. Reid was born at Monroe Falls, Summit County, Ohio, November 26, 1882, and is a son of Charles C. and Amanda (Culver) Reid, the former of whom was born in the State of Connecticut, in 1851, and the latter was born at Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, in 1849. Charles C. Reid was not only a native of Con-

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necticut, but also a scion of a family that was there founded in the Colonial period of our national history, the first American representative of the Reid family having come from Scotland. Charles C. Reid was a small boy at the time of the family removal to Ohio, and the home was here established at Cuyahoga Falls, Summit County, where his father engaged in the work of his trade, that of cooper, and where the parents passed the remainder of their lives. In Summit County Charles C. Reid was reared and educated, and there he was for many years successfully engaged in the general merchandise business at Monroe Falls. In 1907 he retired from active business and moved to Cuyahoga Falls, where he continued to reside until his death, March 9, 1917. He was a well fortified advocate of the principles of the republican party, was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife held membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Reid passed to eternal rest November 11, 1921. Of the three surviving children the eldest is Ada M., who is the wife of William Lewis, a substantial farmer near Conroe, Texas; Earl C., of this review, was the next in order of birth; and Blanche E. is the wife of Harry Booth, her husband being employed as a skilled mechanic in the City of Cleveland, and she is private secretary to one of the leading physicians there.

After completing the work of the junior year in the high school at Cuyahoga Falls Earl C. Reid learned telegraphy, in 1899, and was thereafter made telegraph operator for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, on the New Castle division. Later he was advanced to the position of station agent at Middlefield, Ohio, where he remained six years. He then, in 1914, assumed the position of assistant cashier in the bank of the Middlefield Banking Company, with which he continued his alliance until January 1, 1920, when he accepted the important executive post of which he is now the incumbent, that of secretary and treasurer of the Orwell Banking Company.

Mr. Reid pays unqualified allegience to the republican party, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church in their home village. The attractive home of the family is on North Main Street, and in addition to this property Mr. Reid is the owner of real estate in the City of Cleveland. In the Masonic fraternity Mr. Reid is a past master of Village Lodge No. 274, Free and Accepted Masons, at Burton, Geauga County, and at Chardon, judicial center of that county, he is a member of Chardon Chapter No. 106, Royal Arch Masons. At Warren, Trumbull County, he is affiliated with Warren Council No. 58, Royal and Select Masters, and Warren Commandery No. 39, Knights Templar. He is identified also with the Masonic Past Masters Association in the City of Cleveland, and at his home village is a member of Orwell Lodge No. 477, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

At Middlefield, Geauga County, on the 7th of October, 1914, Mr. Reid wedded Miss Elizabeth R. Rose, who was there reared and educated and who was graduated from the Middlefield High School. Mrs. Reid is a daughter of the late Joseph J. Rose, who was president of the Middlefield Banking Company at the time of his death, his widow, whose maiden name was Ruth Bissell, being still a resident of Middlefield. Mr. and Mrs. Reid have one child, Joseph Earl, who was born June 29, 1917.

EUGEN HOHENADEL is a citizen of Nelsonville, identified with a number of the important business interests of that thriving community in Athens County.

Mr. Hohenadel was born in Wurttemberg, Germany, in 1874, son of Joseph and Monka (Berger) Hohenadel. A few years after his birth his parents came to the United States, locating at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. His father was a master brewer, educated in a technical school and by practice in Germany, and at Pittsburgh he was connected with several brewing industries. He died there in 1908.

Eugen Hohenadel acquired his early education in the public schools of Pittsburgh. His father taught him the rudiments of the brewer's art, and he worked in breweries at Pittsburgh and later at St. Louis, Missouri, where he was raised to the rank of master brewer. He was in St. Louis twelve years, and for a time attended a prominent brewing technical college in Chicago. After obtaining the rank of master brewer he was connected with the Eagle Brewing Company and the Monarch Brewing Company in Chicago, and from there came to Nelsonville, Ohio, to take charge of a local brewing plant that had been erected in 1905. After the prohibition law went into effect the plant was remodeled for the manufacture of non-alcoholic beverages, and it also does a successful business as a cold storage plant and supplies Nelsonville with artificial ice. Mr. Hohenadel is proprietor of the Boot Shop, one of the most popular shoe stores at Nelsonville.

He married Miss Addie Cox, daughter of Lesley Cox, of Nelsonville. Mr. Hohenadel is secretary of the Presbyterian Sunday School, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He is also affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

EDWARD SHERMAN SHECK is a practicing attorney at Akron, with offices in the Second National Building, is a native son of that city, and has made a most commendable record both in his profession and as a citizen. He is senior member of the firm of Sheck & Stevens.

He was born at Akron, January 17, 1892, the son of Eugene and Lydia (Evans) Sheck. As a boy growing up in Akron he attended the Leggett School until 1905, graduated from the Central High School in 1909, and during 1911-12 was a student in Western Reserve University at Cleveland. He took his law course at Ohio State University at Columbus, graduating in 1915. Played football with the Akron Central High School and Ohio State University.

Mr. Sheck then engaged in law practice at Akron, Ohio, but when America entered the World war he joined the colors and served eleven months in the United States Army. He was also active in civilian war work, doing much in the campaign for the sale of Liberty Bonds and as a four-minute speaker and as a member of the Legal Advisory Board of the Red Cross.

Mr. Sheck resumed his general law practice after the war, and served for two years as assistant county prosecutor. He is a member of the Summit County, Ohio State and American Bar associations. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, a charter member of Tadmor Temple of Akron, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias, the University Club, the Army and Navy Union clubs, the Ohio State University Alumni Association, the American Legion, the Delta Theta Phi fraternity, and Silver Lake Country Club of Akron. He married Miss Florence McGowan, and they have one daughter.

SMITH HICKENLOOPER, judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, was born at Cincinnati, February 13, 1880, son of Andrew and Maria L. (Smith) Hickenlooper. He graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1901, received the Bachelor of Laws degree *cum laude* from the Harvard Law School in 1904, and in the same year engaged in practice in his native city. He was a member of Cincinnati's leading law firms until 1918. He

served on the City Board of Education in 1908-09, was assistant prosecuting attorney of Hamilton County from 1916 to 1918, and judge of the Superior Court of Cincinnati from 1918 to 1923. In 1918 he was a private in the United States field artillery at Camp Taylor. By appointment of President Harding, he went on the United States District court bench, April 3, 1923. Judge Hickenlooper was a member of the Board of Directors of the University of Cincinnati from 1910 to 1916. He married Anna Bailey Wright of Cincinnati, October 18, 1910.

ALBERT E. LOYER, M. D., is established in the practice of his profession at New Washington, Crawford County, and the scope and representative character of his business indicate alike his professional ability and his personal popularity in his native county. The Doctor was born in the Village of Oceola, Todd Township, this county, December 1, 1872, and in this county were likewise born his parents, John and Magdalena (Barth) Loyer, who were on respective home farms and received the advantages of the local schools. After his marriage, John Loyer established his residence at Oceola, where he built up a prosperous tanning industry, in which he there continued until his death in 1874, only three weeks having intervened between his death and that of his wife, and their son Albert E., of this review, having been less than two years of age when he was thus orphaned, he being the only child. The parents were earnest communicants of the Lutheran Church.

Doctor Loyer was an infant orphan when he was taken into the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Gottlieb Kibler, and they gave him the advantages of the district schools and finally of the high school at New Washington, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1891. Thereafter he was for one year a student in Capital University in the City of Columbus and for an equal period in the medical department of Ohio Medical University at Columbus, from which he transferred to the Medical College of Ohio, Cincinnati, in which he was graduated in 1895 and from which he received his degree of Doctor of Medicine. His first year of professional service was passed at Sulphur Springs, Crawford County, and since 1896 he has been established in successful general practice at New Washington. He is a past president of the Crawford County Medical Society, of which he is an appreciative and valued member, and he is identified also with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medicial Association. He is a stockholder in the Farmers State Bank and other business concerns at New Washington, is independent in politics, is a member of the New Washington Country Club, and he and his family are communicants of the Lutheran Church. The Doctor has served for the past twenty years as surgeon for the Akron, Canton & Youngstown Railroad.

On the 29th of October, 1896, was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Loyer and Miss Catherine M. Aschbacher, who was graduated from the New Washington High School as a member of the same class as was her husband, she having thereafter been a teacher in the primary department of the New Washington schools for a period of six years. Doctor and Mrs. Loyer have four children: Freda A. was graduated from high school in 1916, and thereafter was graduated from the Dana Musical Institute, at Warren, Ohio, besides which she completed at Cornell University a course in public-school music, she being now supervisor of music in the public schools of Swarton, Ohio; Beatrice M. was graduated from the high school of New Washington as a member of the class of 1922, and has since attended Ohio University at Athens; Geraldine A. graduated from Sworton High School, and is now attending Miami University at Oxford, Ohio; and Phineas Judson, the only son, is attending the public schools of New Washington.

JAMES H. DONALDSON, manager of the New Washington Lumber & Manufacturing Company, one of the important industrial concerns at New Washington, Crawford County, was born in the City of Anderson, Indiana, May 3, 1872, he having been born a short time after the death of his father and having been taken into the home of H. A. Donaldson, where he was reared to adult age in Richland County, Ohio. His early educational advantages were those of the district school near the Donaldson farm. He was but eighteen months old when he was brought to Richland County, and after receiving the discipline of the district schools he continued his studies until he proved himself eligible for service as a teacher. He continued a teacher in the schools of Richland County five years, and in 1897 he there took a position in the office of a leading lumber concern in the City of Mansfield. There he remained until 1909, when he came to New Washington and assumed his present position, that of manager of the New Washington Lumber & Manufacturing Company, the other officers of the company being as here designated: S. J. Kibler, president and J. W. Deer, vice president. Mr. Donaldson is also the secretary of the Reynolds Aluminum Company at New Washington, is a stockholder in the Farmers State Bank and is financially interested in other local business enterprises.

Mr. Donaldson is found aligned in the ranks of the republican party. He is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, his wife being affiliated with the Pythian Sisters, and in the Masonic fraternity he still maintains his affiliation with the York Rite bodies, Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery, in the City of Mansfield. He and his family hold membership in the Christian Church.

At Mansfield was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Donaldson and Miss Lillian D. Reynolds, and they have four children: Frances, a graduate of the high school in the City of Cleveland, is now private secretary in the office of the J. L. Free Land Company of that city; Robert J. was graduated from Miami University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and in June, 1924, graduated from Northwestern University, Chicago, with the degree of Master Bachelor of Arts; Marietta was a member of the class of 1923 in Miami University, and was married to Raymond Brown, former student of Miami University, June 28, 1923, and Ruth is a Junior in the high school at New Washington.

ALFRED G. KIBLER is a scion of the third generation of the Kibler family in Crawford County, and has distinct prestige as one of the representative business men of his native village of New Washington, where he is president of the Farmers State Bank. He was born in this village on the 1st of August, 1877, a son of Samuel J. and a grandson of Matthias Kibler, the former of whom likewise was born at New Washington, March 9, 1853, and the latter, the founder of the family in Crawford County, was a native of Wurttemberg, Germany. Matthias Kibler was reared and educated in his native land and was a young man when he came to the United States and established his residence in Crawford County, Ohio. He established a pioneer tannery near New Washington, to which village he later moved his tannery, and here he continued to maintain his home until his death, at an advanced age. A portion of the tract of land here owned by him is now included in the corporate boundaries of New Washington. He here accumulated a large landed estate, and he platted and virtually founded the village of New Washington, he

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having been the first president of its municipal Board of Trustees after its incorporation.

Samuel J. Kibler was reared and educated in Crawford County, early became associated with his father's business activities, and has long been one of the honored and influential citizens and business men of New Washington, and he has been prominently identified with normal lines of development enterprise and civic progress in his native county, where his interests are of extensive and important order. He is president of the S. J. Kibler & Brother Company, a stockholder in the Kibler Realty & Farming Company, and is the owner of much valuable real estate in Crawford County. His political proclivities are indicated in his loyal advocacy of the principles of the republican party, and he is a communicant of the Lutheran Church, as is also his wife, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Heir and who was born at Galion, this state, on the 8th of May, 1854.

In the public schools of New Washington Alfred G. Kibler continued his studies until his graduation from the high school, as a member of the class of 1895, and later he was graduated from the Tri-State Normal School in the City of Toledo. He became a traveling salesman for the S. J. Kibler & Brother Company, of New Washington, a concern engaged in the hide and tallow business, and in this capacity he still continues his effective service. The company was incorporated in 1901, and its official corps is as here noted: Samuel J. Kibler, president; Alfred G. Kibler, vice president; M. M. Kibler, secretary; and L. M. Kibler, treasurer. In 1913 the principals in this company organized also the Kibler Realty & Farming Company, and of the same Alfred G. Kibler is the president, J. W. Kibler being the vice president; M. M. Kibler, secretary; and L. M. Kibler, treasurer. This company owns large tracts of land in this section of Ohio and controls a substantial general real estate business. In 1918 the Kiblers gave further evidence of their liberality and progressiveness by organizing the Ohio Hide & Tallow Company, the main offices of this corporation being maintained at Marion, this state, with branch offices and headquarters at Lima. In addition to his association with the important corporations above noted Mr. Kibler is president of the Farmers State Bank of New Washington. He is a stalwart in the local camp of the republican party, and served as a member of the Board of Education of his native town of New Washington. Both he and his wife are active members of the Lutheran Church.

Alfred G. Kibler married Miss Mildred Dormenworth, who likewise was born and reared in Crawford County, a daughter of the late John Dormenworth, and she was graduated from the New Washington High School as a member of the class of 1895. Mr. and Mrs. Kibler have two children: Beatrice E., a graduate of the New Washington High School; and E. Winifred, a student in the New Washington High School.

ELMER S. BEEGLE is the senior partner in the firm of Beegle Brothers, proprietors of a produce business that has been growing and flourishing in Meigs County for a period of thirty-five years, having been established by their father, Joseph Beegle, now living retired at Racine at the age of seventy-six.

Joseph Beegle is remarkably well preserved physically and mentally for a man of his years and experience. He is a son of Boswell Beegle, who came from Georgetown, Pennsylvania, when twenty-two years of age, settling in Meigs County, Ohio. He and his wife were married for sixty-one years, and during all that time he was not away from home to exceed three days all told. Boswell Beegle reached the venerable age of ninety-six and his wife, eighty-nine. He was a hunter and attributed his long and vigorous life to his outdoor activities and his eating of wild meats, such as venison.

Joseph Beegle was for sixteen years a cooper in Mason City, West Virginia, just across the Ohio River from the present home of the family in Meigs County. He was an industrious and skillful worker, saved his money, and made payments on a little farm east of Racine, Ohio, two miles. With the aid of his sons the timber was cut and made into cross ties and the place paid for. Joseph Beegle married Emily Beaver, who died in 1907, and subsequently he married Mary Gilkey.

Elmer S. Beegle was born April 15, 1871, while his parents lived across the Ohio River in Mason City, West Virginia. He attended school only to finish the first reader, and that was the limit of his schooling though not of his education, since in all the years he has profited by his experience and has kept in touch with the world of knowledge by reading, study and thinking. For a time he was a deck hand on steamboats between Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, working on the Scotia, Andez and C. W. Bachelor. Out of this employment he accumulated a modest capital of $65. His father had also got together a little money, and together they opened a Farmers Cash Grocery back of Racine. It had been a custom with merchants to trade merchandise for chickens, eggs and other farm produce. The Beegle firm started the custom of paying cash. The other local merchants fought them, but the Beegle firm proved the wisdom of its course by prospering, and they made friends not only among the local farmers, but also established favorable trade and marketing connections in Pittsburgh. The first store room was 12x20 feet, and this room is still owned by Elmer Beegle, and it was used for commercial purposes until 1919. The firm has conducted a store in Racine for fifteen years. The store at Carr's Run has been in existence twenty-five years, while the Pomeroy store was built and opened for business in 1914, and Pomeroy is now the general headquarters of the firm.

Elmer Beegle is a director of the Shippers Packet Company, which owns an all steel wharf in Pittsburgh, and the steamer Senator Cordell which operates between Pittsburgh and Cincinnati. For a number of years the firm operated peddling wagons in Meigs and adjoining counties. In the earlier years of the business Elmer Beegle not only clerked in the store, but drove an old yellow horse hitched to an old express wagon on his egg and chicken buying expeditions. Elmer Beegle and his father were associated as partners for twenty-five years. When the father retired his interest in the business was bought by his son Arthur, thus constituting the present firm of Beegle Brothers. Elmer Beegle is also a director of the Racine National Bank, a director of the Talbott Wholesale Grocery Company of Middleport and of the Valley Standard Credit Company.

Joseph Beegle has been a lifelong democrat while his sons are republicans. Elmer Beegle married Sarah E. Richardson. They were participants in a double wedding, Elmer Beegle's sister having been married at the same time to Ira B. Foster. Mr. and Mrs. Beegle have one daughter, Mamie, now the wife of H. J. Simpson, of Pomeroy, wharf master there. The family are Methodists, and Mr. Beegle is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

MELVIN H. DOOLITTLE. With the practical work of a miner and the commercial operation of coal mining Melvin H. Doolittle has been identified since boyhood. He is the outstanding figure in the mining community of Carbondale County, where he is general superintendent of the Carbondale Coal Company's mines.

He was born at Grafton, West Virginia, July 22, 1866, son of Willett A. Doolittle and grandson of Moses Doolittle. His family is of Pennsylvania Dutch and Irish ancestry. The Doolittles were abolitionists before the Civil war. Willett A. Doolittle, who was born April 13, 1840, served as a soldier in the Union Army, being a member of the First West Virginia Light Artillery. He was in action in the Shenandoah Valley and in the Lynchburg raid. He early took up coal mining, and in 1867 came from Clifton, Mason County, West Virginia, to Ohio, and went to work in the mines. His family followed him to Ohio in 1881. For forty-three years he was a miner at Carbondale in Athens County, this community then being known as Pigeon Roost. He married Nancy J. Leonard in West Virginia, and they now live on Doolittle Hill, overlooking the Village of Carbondale. He is a republican, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and has been a moral, upright citizen, always ready to help those in trouble. Willett A. Doolittle and wife had four sons and two daughters: M. H.; E. T., machine operator in the Carbondale mines; Rutherford, a mine superintendent; Rosie, wife of W. H. Partlow, of Athens; Sadie, wife of William Milar, of St. Cloud, Florida; and there was also a son, R. H., who was accidentally killed in 1922 while clerk in the mine company's store.

Melvin H. Doolittle received his education at Clifton, West Virginia, and was a small boy when he was employed in the store of the Consolidated Coal Company at Camden, West Virginia. In this way he received good business training. He was fifteen years old when the family came to Carbondale, Ohio, in 1881, and he worked in the mines with his father until 1889. In that year he became weighmaster at the mines, and then for some years was traveling representative of the company selling coal in Northwest Ohio, Indiana and Michigan. When he returned to Carbondale he acted as store manager, and in 1897 became general manager of the mines.

The Carbondale Coal Company is the property of Col. R. Enderlin, of Chillicothe, Ohio. However, Mr. Doolittle for many years has been the responsible leader in the community. On the 1,300 acres of land surrounding the mines the company is now planting 10,000 seedling trees annually, and this program of reforestation has been under way for fifteen years. Mr. Doolittle is a member of the Ohio Society of Forestry, and also belongs to the National Geographic Society. It has been the policy of the company to admit no foreign born or negro miners to the camp, and partly as a result of this and also of the personal administration of Mr. Doolittle strikes have been unknown. Another policy in force is that all the executive officers connected with the mine came from the ranks. Among them are George Carlin, assistant superintendent; Floyd Moshier, store manager; Hugh James and Ralph Williams, clerks. Mr. Doolittle was largely responsible for the erection of the two monuments that stand in Carbondale, one erected in memory of the soldiers of the Union army who had been employed in the mines here and the other in honor of Captain Crossen and James Gabriel. Captain Crossen was a physician in Carbondale, and James Gabriel was a miner. They both fell on the battle lines in France.

Mr. Doolittle is a republican in politics, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge at New Marshfield. In 1887 he married Miss Frances M. Taylor, daughter of William and Mary C. (Baker) Taylor. Her father was a Union soldier in the One Hundred Eighteenth Ohio Infantry and died in 1913. Mrs. Doolittle is a native of Ohio. Three children were born to their marriage. The daughter Grace is the wife of Jesse D. Smith, an electrician at Nelsonville. Leola is the wife of Wiley Frisby, of Carbondale. The only son, Leroy M., now assistant to his father in superintending the mines at Carbondale, served as a guard at Columbus during the World war.

ELIAS WETHERHOLT, a native of Gallia County, has for many years been identified with the undertaking business, and is head of a thoroughly modern and high class undertaking establishment at Gallipolis. He is one of the active men in that community, and is a member of an old American family of German and English descent.

He was born in Springfield Township of Gallia County, September 4, 1873, son of Elias and Caroline (Clark) Wetherholt, and grandson of William and Hettie (Pringle) Wetherholt. William Wetherholt was a native of West Virginia, and his father had come from Germany about 1792. Elias Wetherholt, Sr., was also a native of West Virginia, and before the Civil war lived at Buchanan, that state. He was an abolitionist and strong in his sentiments for the Union, and his refusal to guard negroes aroused such an attitude of hostility toward him that he left his native state and came to Ohio, where he rendered some service to the government in the quartermaster's department. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His trade was that of cabinet maker, and in that capacity he was called upon to make coffins and perform many of the services of a local undertaker. He died March 12, 1896. His wife, Caroline Clark, who died June 23, 1900, was a daughter of William and Elizabeth (Shepard) Clark, all of them of English ancestry or birth, and both her father and mother were natives of London, England. Elias Wetherholt, Sr., had eight children: George J., who had one child, Donna, by his first wife, Hattie Piper, deceased, and by his marriage to Blanch Derry had five children, named Bessie Blanch, Mary Curtis, George Derry, John Paul and Frank E., Fannie Elizabeth Wetherholt, the second of the family, married Andrew DeLittle, their six children being Joseph E., William Clarence, John, Benjamin Harrison, Hettie and Andrew. Hettie Katherine Wetherholt is the wife of Daniel Blake, their two children being Stella and Ralph. Mary Agnes married David T. Davis and had five children: Margaret, Carrie, Charles, Ethel and Everett. Carrie Wetherholt became the wife of Dr. N. B. Sisson, their three children being Grace, Stephen Banks and Elias W. William Clarence married Mary Hiltburner and was the father of Clark and Anna. Edith Stella Delarna married Lewis S. Summers, and they have one son, Boyd W., and Elias Wetherholt, Jr., is the youngest in the family.

Elias Wetherholt, Jr., attended the public schools in the Village of Porter and Ewington Academy, and soon after leaving school went to work for his brother in the undertaking business. He finished his apprenticeship and had a long period of service with that establishment, and he also took the full course in embalming at the Taylor School of New York City, where he was graduated in May, 1897. Mr. Wetherholt in 1917 engaged in business for himself, associated with a partner, Fred J. Entsminger, at Gallipolis. During the World war he was a member of the fourth class and was not called to active duty. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, Junior Order United American Mechanics, and is a trustee of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church and for many years was a teacher in its Sunday School.

He married, January 1, 1899, in Springfield Township of Gallia County, Miss Servella David Watts, daughter of William W. and Mary (James) Watts. Her father was a farmer, and for many years justice of the peace and a leading man in Springfield Township. During the Civil war he served in the First Ohio Regiment of Heavy Artillery. He belonged to

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the Grand Army, the Methodist Church and passed away honored and respected October 13, 1922. In the Watts family were six children: Ella, who married E. D. Ebright, and they have three children, Forest, Dale and May; Margaret, who married George L. Brown, and their three children are Florence, Gorretta and Homer; Andrew, who married Luna Cramer, and has a son, George Watts; Anna, wife of James A. Mossman and mother of three children, Raymond, Paul and Leo; Mrs. Wetherholt; and Mae, who married Harley C. Fulton and had three children, Mary Katherine, Donald and Robbin.

Mr. and Mrs. Wetherholt had three children born to their marriage, the youngest and only daughter, Ruth Caroline, dying July 20, 1910. The older son, Harold Watts, took the full course in journalism and graduated from Ohio State University at Columbus with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1921. He is now editor and proprietor of the Gallipolis Daily Tribune. During the World war he was a member of the Student Army Training Corps. He married Coell Jividen, of Racine, Meigs County, his wife being a graduate in the class of 1924, in the domestic science course in Ohio State University. The second son of Mr. Wetherholt is Dwight Clinton, who is a member of the class of 1927 in Ohio State University, taking a course in commerce and journalism. During a period of five years, Mr. Wetherholt was clerk of the city council of Gallipolis, Ohio.

Luther B. Porter, cashier of the Bank of Vinton in Gallia County, is a native son of that locality, belongs to one of the old and respected families of Southern Ohio, and his career has been one of creditable connection with business and local affairs.

He was born at Vinton, in June, 1876, son of Rufus P. and Mary A. (Butler) Porter, grandson of Solomon Porter, and great-grandson of Rufus Putnam Porter, who represented some of the sturdy New England stock. The Porters came to Ohio about 1803, and settled in Marietta in 1827. Rufus P. Porter, father of the Vinton banker, was a farmer and stockman, later a merchant, and died in 1883. He was active in public affairs, serving as a county commissioner for a number of years. He belonged to the Freewill Baptist Church, and was a member of the Masons and Foresters. His widow survived him nearly forty years, passing away in 1922. Their four children were: Carrie P., who married E. V. Wilson and had two children, Norma and Wade; William P., who married Emma Hamilton, of Columbus; Luther B.; and Kate P., the widow of Dr. A. T. Clark.

Luther B. Porter acquired a grammar and high school education at Vinton, and as a young man entered railroad service. He was operator and station agent at Vinton for a period of eleven years. In 1913 he entered the Bank of Vinton as cashier, and is now also a director. As a banker he had charge of all the financial campaigns for the support of the government in the late war.

He married in June, 1916, Miss Edna Weisenberger, daughter of Herman and Frances (Dillon) Weisenberger. Her mother is still living. Her parents had four children: Sophia, who married Arthur Sharp and had two children, Dorothy and Frank; Gertrude, who married D. N. Gorsuch and had two children, Francis and Mary; Fred, unmarried; and Mrs. Porter. Mr. Porter, while he has not allied himself with any social organizations, gives his support to churches and all other causes that tend to build up and make a better community.

William Colby Feltman, D. D. S., who has practiced his profession at Vinton in Gallia County for over twenty years, was born and reared in that community, and has made his career one of more than ordinary professional and financial success.

He was born at Vinton, December 12, 1875. His father, John H. Feltman, was the son of German-born parents. John H. Feltman's mother died when he was a child, and subsequently not getting along well with his stepmother, though too young to enlist at the beginning of the Civil war, he went along with the soldiers, and was a mascot at camp. They were going to make him a drummer boy, but he fell ill and, going to the hospital, suffered a severe attack of rheumatism, from which he never entirely recovered. After leaving the hospital he attended Rio Grand College and a school at Albany, was a teacher, and in 1875 started a general mercantile store at Vinton. He successfully conducted that business until his death in 1920, and the store is still continued by his two surviving children. He was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Foresters and was a Freewill Baptist. John H. Feltman married Mary Harriger, who died February 17, 1914. Her parents were George F. and Levinia (Wentsel) Harriger, both of Pennsylvania Dutch stock. George F. Harriger was a missionary of the Baptist Church. Of the four children born to John H. Feltman and wife Dr. William C. is the oldest. His sister, Lena Beryl, is the wife of S. N. Reese and has two children, John Newton and Mary. The other two children were Edna Marr, who died at the age of eleven, and John Ongar, who died in infancy.

William Colby Feltman attended public schools in Vinton, Rio Grande College, and took up the study of dental surgery at the Ohio Medical College at Columbus. He was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery April 16, 1901, and has steadily practiced his profession at Vinton since that time. He also gives some of his time to the business established by his father, and has a number of other investments in local enterprises. He is active in the republican party, and during the World war was a member of the Local Registration Board. Like other members of the family he is a Freewill Baptist. Doctor Feltman is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Knights of Pythias and Modern Woodman of America.

He married at Columbus, December 1, 1903, Miss Nellie May Butler, of Vinton, daughter of William F. and Anna (Kerr) Butler. Her father died July 23, 1920, and her mother, March 23, 1921. William F. Butler was for many years a stock dealer and trader, twenty years township treasurer, a veteran member of the Masonic Order, and also an Odd Fellow and Freewill Baptist. Mrs. Feltman has a sister, Maggie, who is the wife of Dr. E. A. Hamilton, and a brother, Howard K., who married Vennie Mathews, and has a son, John William.

Samuel Edgar Butt, M. D., has been a busy physician and surgeon in the Nelsonville community of Athens County for over forty years, and for the past ten or fifteen years his active partner and associate has been his son, Dr. Charles C. Butt. Both are accomplished men in their profession.

Dr. Samuel E. Butt was born in what is now the central district of Nelsonville, in April, 1857, son of Peter M. and Irene (Butt) Butt. His parents were second cousins and were born in New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas County, Ohio. The father of P. M. Butt was Samuel Butt, Sr., who died in New Philadelphia. His widow moved to Nelsonville, Athens County, about 1850. P. M. Butt had two brothers, Samuel and George. His brother Samuel was mayor of Nelsonville, and became a volunteer in the Thirty-first Ohio Infantry during the Civil war. George was a soldier in the Eighteenth Ohio Infantry, and was killed in the Battle of Chickamauga. P. M. Butt was born

in 1836 and died in 1904, at the age of sixty-eight. Irene, his wife, died in October, 1859, aged twenty-two. In his younger years P. M. Butt helped in the development of the Poston mines, but rheumatism compelled him to give up mining, and he spent the rest of his life in the mercantile business. He was intensely interested in republican politics, and was a strenuous worker for the Grosvenor faction of the party. After the death of his first wife he married Maria Lytle, of Logan, Hocking County, Ohio. She died in 1914, when about seventy-five years of age. She was the mother of four sons, and the two now living are Eugene and George.

Dr. S. E. Butt graduated from the Nelsonville High School, and early showed an unusual disposition for scholarship. In addition to his profession he has mastered a wide range of subjects and has fluent ability as a speaker and has written much excellent verse. He began the study of medicine in the office of Dr. W. E. Sheppard, and in 1880 graduated from the Ohio Medical College of Cincinnati. Since then he has been in practice at Nelsonville, and has kept in close touch with the advancing progress of medicine and surgery. In 1914 he took post-graduate work in the post-graduate medical college in New York. He has written a number of papers published in medical journals. He became a member of the Athens County Medical Society when it was organized, and has served as its president. He is also a member of the Ohio State and American Medical associations. During his boyhood days Nelsonville was a mining camp, and the population was largely made up of English, Welsh, Irish and Scotch miners. S. E. Butt has for many years been affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

In October, 1880, he married Miss Addie R. Kontner, daughter of Solomon Kontner. She was born near Mineral in Athens County. Two sons were born to the marriage of Dr. S. E. Butt. One of them, Solomon Edgar, died at the age of twenty-one, while preparing for a journalistic career under the famous editor Murat Halstead of Cincinnati. Mrs. Butt passed away January 26, 1924.

Charles C. Butt, the younger associate in medicine with Dr. Samuel E. Butt, was born January 31, 1886. He attended the Nelsonville schools for twelve years, and in 1909 graduated from his father's Alma Mater, the Cincinnati Medical College. Since then he has assisted his father in handling the heavy practice of the firm. Before engaging in private practice he had special training in the Charleston General Hospital. In 1912 he was made health officer of York Township, and in 1916 became health commissioner of Nelsonville. When America entered the World war he promptly volunteered and was placed in the Medical Reserve Corps, but was not called to active duty. He is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, a member of the Uniformed Rank, and also of the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan branch of that order.

December 12, 1909, Dr. C. C. Butt married Miss Bertha V. Cummins, who was born at Nelsonville, daughter of Paul and Frances Cummins. Her father was a volunteer soldier in the Civil war, in the Thirty-first Ohio Regiment, and for many years was identified with mining. He is now a resident of Nelsonville. Dr. C. C. Butt and wife have two children: Addie Frances, born February 6, 1912, and Charles C., Jr., born October 3, 1916.

John B. Downing. Probably no one name represents a broader interest and richer contents of personal history in Meigs County than that of Downing. It has been owned by father and son, the present John B. Downing being a prominent business man of Middleport. His father was better known as Maj. John B. Downing. One of the most conspicuous of the old time citizenship of Southern Ohio, he was trained as a river pilot, and as such his name is imperishably of record in Mark Twain's noted work "Life on the Mississippi."

Maj. John B. Downing was for twenty-seven years a pilot and boat owner on the Mississippi, operating boats between St. Louis and New Orleans. He was given the name Alligator Jack Downing by Mark Twain, and was one of the experienced river pilot whom Mark Twain credits with his own instruction in the intricacies of piloting boats up and down the Mississippi. Mark Twain himself became one of the master pilots of his time. As Alligator Jack Downing, Major Downing is referred to in Mark Twain's book above mentioned. At the time of the Civil war Major Downing was regarded as the outstanding pilot on the river, and on account of his skill he was given the hazardous task of piloting the fleet cooperating with General Grant past the Vicksburg fortress, thus breaking the blockade of the river. He was on the first boat and in the heavy shell fire from the forts along the river and was wounded in the leg.

Maj. John B. Downing was born at Rutland, Meigs County, Ohio, February 13, 1834, and died March 4, 1914, when in his eightieth year. His parents were Rodney and Maria (Black) Downing, who came from Maine to Meigs County. Rodney Downing was for many years clerk of courts of Meigs County. He was devout in the performance of his religious duties, an active member of the Christian Church, and whenever the minister failed to come he took his place in the pulpit and preached a splendid sermon. Rodney Downing lived to be eighty-four years of age. His wife, Maria, died when quite young. Rodney Downing, it is said, never smoked, never drank liquor or used profanity.

Maj. John B. Downing finished his education in Marietta College. At various times he owned a number of boats, but his favorite was the Fannie Bullett. In 1868 he established a fire insurance agency at Middleport, a business that is still conducted by his son John B. Major Downing was a man of many gifts and talents. He was a violinist, and his collection of violins included two genuine Stradavarius. His wife was also a musician. He once played the violin for Ole Bull, who pronounced him the best non-professional he had ever heard. Major Downing was partial to the old tunes, including Swanee River. He was also a wonderful marksman, and it is said that he could release a bird from each hand and at the same time pick up his gun and kill both. Both in early life and in later years he was handsome in figure and address, and in old age his hair was perfectly white. Always he was very precise and elegant in dress, and his appearance well fitted him for the title he long enjoyed as Middleport's grand old man. He was everyone's friend, regardless of color or station in life. One of his enthusiasms was hunting. He would spend the first part of every winter hunting in West Virginia, and then for a month or so would go down to the cane brakes of Mississippi. Frequently his son John B. was his companion on these excursions. Major Downing was a Knight Templar Mason, as had been his father, and was a republican. His wife was a member of the Episcopal Church, and while he gave liberally to all denominations he remained true to the church of his father, the Christian. His wife was Romaine Miller, daughter of William C. Miller, of Gallipolis, Ohio. She survived her husband just three years. They had two sons: Miller R. and John B., Jr. Miller R., who died December 24, 1922, at the age of about fifty, was a traveling salesman for many years, living in Cincinnati, Toledo and Columbus, and in younger life was in the insurance office of his father.

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He was interested in the building of the Neal Hotel at Columbus.

John B. Downing, Jr., was born February 5, 1875, and had a common school education in his home town. When he was thirteen years of age he went to work in his father's insurance office, and has continued active in the insurance business ever since. However, the scope of his business enterprises has covered a wide field. He assisted in the development of the Noble Summit coal mines in Rutland Township, mines now operated by the Riley Brothers of Nelsonville. The Downing Coal Company, of which he is president, for many years was a producing company, but is now in the brokerage business, handling Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky coal. Mr. Downing has also been active in the development of oil and gas wells and salt mines, being president of the Pomeroy Salt Association. While drilling for oil in Cheshire Township of Gallia County in 1903 he struck gas, and immediately secured franchises in Gallipolis, Middleport and other towns. In order to comply with the terms of the franchise he had to dynamite the streets of Middleport, and he got the supply line laid in time. Alfred Carr was his partner in this enterprise. He also organized the Cheshire Oil and Gas Company. Mr. Downing piped Ohio gas into Point Pleasant, West Virginia. He organized and is vice president of the Citizens National Bank of Middleport, and is president and owner of the water companies of Pomeroy and Middleport. As representative of the Building and Loan Company of Bellaire, Ohio, he loaned $7,000,000 on real estate without a single loss. He is also associated with the Middleport Brick Company. For twenty-two years he was a member of the Middleport City Council, and financed the paving of the town. He was the youngest man on the council when first elected.

During Governor Willis' administration he was a member of the republican state executive committee, and has been a delegate to many conventions of his party. He and his wife are Presbyterians, and he is a past chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias and a member of the social order of Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, and has been a member of the board of trustees of the Knights of Pythias Lodge. He is also affiliated with the Elks. Mr. Downing has probably advised more people than all the lawyers combined in Meigs County, and has especially interested himself in the preparation of papers for old soldiers and veterans of the World war, doing all this without compensation.

In 1894 he married Miss Grace MacDonald, daughter of Donald MacDonald, of Middleport. They have two children. The daughter, Marie Romaine, was educated in Cincinnati University and Sweet-Briar College in West Virginia, and is now the wife of Dr. C. R. Singleton of Charleston, West Virginia. The son, Rodney Downing, is a graduate of Cincinnati University, and at the time of the World war was in the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Field Artillery with the Thirty-seventh Division. He is a Scottish Rite Mason in the Consistory at Columbus, and also a Shriner.

Lloyd L. Arnold belongs to a family of expert mechanics, and is the active executive of a prosperous flour milling business at Vinton in Gallia County, known as the Arnold Milling Company.

Mr. Arnold was born at Akron, New York, December 10, 1884. However, the Arnolds on coming from England settled in Connecticut in pioneer days, subsequently going to New York, and finally to Ohio. The grandfather of the Vinton miller was the brother of James Arnold, who had duties as a land agent in charge of an Ohio Western Reserve, his name appearing on many of the original documents and titles of land in that section of the state. Emmet B. Arnold, father of Lloyd L., spent many years as a miller in New York State, later in Michigan, and since 1920 has been associated with his son at Vinton. He married Adah E. Jack, who died in 1918. Her parents were Samuel and Elizabeth Jack. The two children are Lloyd L. and S. M. Arnold, who comprise the firm of the Arnold Milling Company, though S. M. Arnold is not active, his home being in Detroit, Michigan.

Lloyd L. Arnold attended public schools at Akron, New York, leaving high school at the age of sixteen to go to work in the mill and learn the business under his father. Subsequently he spent five years with the Gephard Milling Company at Dayton, Ohio. He learned the tool makers' trade, and during the World war period, from 1917 to 1920, was in the service of the government as a tool maker at Dayton. Mr. Arnold in January, 1920, came to Vinton and purchased the local mill, and has given its product a high reputation for quality and excellence.

He married at Dayton, Ohio, in April, 1914, Miss Edna Protzman, daughter of R. L. Protzman, an expert millwright. She was the second in a family of four children, the other three being Grace, Henry and John. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold have one daughter, Adah Jane.

Henry George Gibson, M. D. Reared in Perry County, spending some of his youthful years in the mines, Dr. Henry George Gibson since graduating in medicine has practiced with singular devotion and energy, and much of his work has been done in the mining region of Athens County. Since October, 1919, his home has been at Glouster.

He was born at Oskaloosa, Iowa, February 4, 1867, son of Joseph and Harriett (Davis) Gibson. His parents were born and married in Wales, and in 1852 came to the United States. His father was a coal miner, worked in the mines of Ohio, later in Illinois and Iowa, and in 1869 returned to Ohio and settled near New Straitsville in Perry County. He continued the mining of coal for sixty-five years, and never had a serious injury. He died in 1905, at the advanced age of eighty, and his wife passed away at eighty-one. They were devout members of the Congregational Church.

Doctor Gibson was the youngest of ten children and is the only survivor. He attended school at New Straitsville, and when a boy of twelve went down into the mines, doing the work of a boy assistant. After leaving the mines he worked in a drug store, and that was his first preparation toward a medical career. When he was twenty-four years of age, and a young married man, he lost his left leg above the knee. At that time he had been studying medicine for a year. Later he returned to medical college, and was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1898. He then located in the New Straitsville community, and did a large practice there until moving to Glouster. He loves his profession for its opportunity for service as well as for the other satisfactions derived therefrom. Doctor Gibson has covered a large amount of territory in his practice. He makes use of all the facilities for reaching his patients under all conditions of weather and roads. He has a saddle horse, also a buggy and team and drives his own car. He is a member of the Athens County Medical Society and the Ohio State and American Medical associations.

In 1887 Doctor Gibson married Miss Anna Lawson, daughter of Thomas Lawson. They have two daughters. Isabel is the wife of Billie Morris, a traveling salesman. Harriett Y. is the wife of Murrell Weymueller, of New Straitsville.

Byron Bing, M. D. For twenty years, with the exception of a brief service in the Medical Corps during the World war, Dr. Byron Bing has practiced medicine at Pomeroy, and has won a high place in the intelligent and progressive citizenship of that locality.

Doctor Bing was born at Cheshire, Gallia County, Ohio, January 6, 1876, son of Alpheus and Helen (Titus) Bing. His grandfather, John Bing, came from Augusta County in the Valley of Virginia to Ohio about 1800, his two brothers, Samuel and George, accompanying him. John Bing became a properous farmer in Gallia County. He was twice married, and had seven children by each wife.

Alpheus Bing was born and spent all his life on the same farm in Gallia County where his son, Doctor Byron, was born. Alpheus Bing after reaching his majority bought the interest of the other heirs in that property, and throughout his life remained owner of the old homestead. He died in November, 1896. He was a properous farmer, and always a democrat in politics. At the time of the Civil war he joined the Squirrel Rifle Brigade to protect Ohio against Morgan's raids. Helen Titus, who became the wife of Alpheus Bing, was born in Gallia County August 3, 1838, and died June 3, 1924, at Akron Ohio. She taught school until her marriage, at the age of twenty-six. There are three sons: Leonard, an employe of the Boys Industrial School; Eugene, in the hardware business at Tawas, Michigan; and Byron.

Dr. Byron Bing grew up on the home farm, attended country schools and finished his high school course at Cheshire. He subsequently entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated in 1902. He did his first practice at Patriot in Gallia County, and in 1904 located at Pomeroy. He was an early volunteer for service in the Medical Corps at the time of the World war, and on August 8, 1917, was commissioned as first lieutenant and ordered, on January 22nd, 1918, to the Medical Officers Training School at Fort Riley, Kansas. In the final physical examination he was discharged in March of the same year. After his return from the army he engaged in practice in partnership with Dr. A. E. Lawrence, who died September 17, 1923.

Doctor Bing has kept up a deep interest in local affairs through all the years of his professional work. He has served on the city council one term of two years, and for a number of years has been secretary of the County Medical Society. He is a member of the Ohio Medical Association and the board of pension examiners for Meigs County, since 1913, he is a democrat, has passed the chairs in his lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a trustee of the Presbyterian Church.

Doctor Bing married Miss Clara Morgan, daughter of David J. and Mary Morgan, of Gallia County. They have three children, David Morgan, Helen Frances and Mary Virginia.

Le Grand Gribble, M. D. The service of a competent and faithful member of the medical profession Doctor Gribble has given to the community of Pomeroy for over a quarter of a century. His name and character are held in very high esteem over the greater part of Meigs County.

He was born on a farm at Ripley, in Brown County, Ohio, March 29, 1875, son of William and Mary (Smith) Gribble, natives of Kentucky, in which they spent most of their lives. His father was a merchant near Frankfort, Kentucky, and died in the early childhood of Doctor Gribble. The Gribble family is of remote French ancestry, while the Smiths came from Virginia. Mrs. Mary Smith Gribble died in 1912.

Le Grand Gribble spent his boyhood days at Newport, Kentucky, and in Cincinnati, attending graded school in the latter city, and also attended public school while living with his uncle, Dr. Frank Wall, at Urbana, Indiana. He earned his first money selling Doctor Talmadge's book of sermons in Hamilton County, Ohio. After that he followed various occupations, and for a time was shipping clerk in a wholesale house at Cincinnati and also worked in a dry goods store. This work enabled him to accumulate a small capital, with which he continued his education as best as he could, and having decided to study medicine, he entered the medical school of the Medical College of Ohio at Cincinnati, where he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1896. Since then he has pursued post-graduate work to a total of about three years. Doctor Gribble did his first practice in Cincinnati, but, losing his health, lived outdoors for three years. At that time he was a man of rather frail health, but has since developed into a fine specimen of physical manhood. For twenty-seven years he has had his home and office at Pomeroy. He is a member of the County, State and American Medical associations, is a Knight Templar Mason and is very fond of outdoor sports, particularly hunting big game in Canada. He makes yearly excursions to the Canadian wilds. His wife has much skill in the handling of fire arms, and she shares in his enthusiasm for the outdoors. She is a Presbyterian, and Doctor Gribble's family are Methodists.

Doctor Gribble married, in 1907, Miss Ursula Hauch, daughter of August Hauch, of Pomeroy. The Hauch family has lived in this section of Ohio for a great many years.

Miss Emma Hale has the distinction of being the youngest librarian in the State of Ohio. She is librarian of the free public library of Middletown, and her technical experience and natural talents make her wonderfully well qualified for her work.

She was born at Winchester, Kentucky, but from childhood was reared at Hamilton, Ohio. She is a graduate of the Hamilton High School and of the Hamilton Business College, and soon afterward went to work in the Hamilton Public Library. Later she attended the New York Library School at Chautauqua, New York, leaving there she came to Middletown, Ohio, as assistant librarian. In 1921 she was appointed librarian.

Miss Hale takes the greatest of interest in her work, both in library technique and in making a library as an institution and collection of books of the greatest possible service to the community. She is very much interested in the children's work, and personally is fond of hiking and other outdoor exercise.

The free public library at Middletown has been housed in its present handsome building since January 1, 1913. The library building was erected at a cost of $50,000. The moving spirit in securing the library building and equipment was Hon. W. H. Todhunter, municipal judge, and the first and only president of the library board of trustees. The library has 18,000 volumes, and a daily circulation of 400. The officers are H. W. Todhunter, president; Dr. G. D. Lummies, secretary; and Miss Emma Hale, librarian.

Karl H. Barth, M. D., has found in his native county an inviting field for the successful practice of his profession, has gained rank as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of the younger generation in Crawford County, and maintains his home and professional headquarters in the thriving little city of New Washington.

Doctor Barth was born on a farm in Lykens Township, this county, June 8, 1891, and is a son of Jacob and Victoria (Brown) Barth, both likewise

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natives of Crawford County, the father having been born in Chatfield Township, in January, 1852, and the mother in Lykens Township, June 29, 1857, dates that denote that the respective families have no minor claim to a measure of pioneer honors in this country. The parents of Doctor Barth still maintain their home in this county, where the father has given his active life to vigorous and successful farm enterprise. His political allegiance is awarded to the democratic party, and he is an elder in the Lutheran Church, in which his wife likewise is a devout communicant. Of the six children two died in infancy, and of the four now living Dr. Karl H., of this review, is the youngest; Rosa is the wife of Charles D. Claty, a farmer in Crawford County; Ada is the wife of Samuel B. Green, likewise one of the progressive exponents of farm industry in this county; and Henry, who was graduated from Capital University, Columbus, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, was thereafter graduated from the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Columbus, and he is now pastor of a Lutheran Church at Olean, Indiana.

The early life of Doctor Barth was passed on the old home farm, and in the public schools he continued his studies until his graduation from the Chatfield High School in 1909. Thereafter he taught school and also advanced his own education by attending summer school at Ohio Northern University at Ada, where he took a preparatory course which he deemed an essential prerequisite to his professional course. In 1913 he matriculated in the medical department of Ohio State University, and in this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1917. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was further fortified by the practical experience which he gained in nine months of service as a physician at the Ohio State Hospital for Epileptics at Gallipolis. He was not destined to follow along the regular path of the ambitious young physician, for there came to him a higher duty and department of service when the nation became involved in the World war. In 1918 he enlisted in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army, in which he won a commission as first lieutenant, and in active service he passed twelve months in France, with the Twenty-eighth United States Infantry, assigned to the First Division of the American Expeditionary Forces. Though the armistice brought the war to a close within a comparatively short time after his arrival on the stage of conflict, he found ample demand for his service in France until the summer of 1919. He arrived in one of the ports of his native land on the 1st of July of that year, and in due course received his honorable discharge from the service in which he had admirably acquitted himself. In the following September he established himself at New Washington, and here his personal popularity and professional ability are gaining to him a practice that is constantly expanding in scope and importance. The doctor is identified actively with the Crawford County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association, besides being affiliated with the medical fraternity of Ohio State University. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party, and he and his wife are communicants of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at New Washington. The Doctor is a stockholder in the Farmers State Bank in his home village, and also in the Perfection Electric Products Company.

March 14, 1918, was marked by the marriage of Doctor Barth and Miss Lavina C. Brose, who likewise was born in Crawford County and who had been a successful teacher prior to her marriage. Doctor and Mrs. Barth have a winsome little daughter, Eileen, born June 23, 1920.

George E. Johnson. Starting life on his own responsibility when a boy just entering his teens, and out of his early wages saving the capital that started him in business, George E. Johnson has long occupied a place among the successful business men of the Hocking Valley. His home is at Nelsonville. He owns a valuable farm near there, comprising 187 acres of bottom land and thirty acres on the hillside. The mine of the Woodland Coal Company is located on this land. Mr. Johnson has a number of mining interests, and is secretary and general manager of the Doanville Coal Company.

He was born in Vinton County, Ohio, October 9, 1873, son of Eli B. and Margaret (Ullom) Johnson. His parents were natives of Vinton County, and are now respectively seventy-seven and sixty-nine years of age. A number of years ago they moved to Lawrence County, Illinois, and located on a farm there. Eli Johnson was a small boy when the Civil war broke out, and later he ran away from home to join the Union forces and was with his regiment at Appomattox Court House at the close of the war. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Methodist Church, and is a democrat in politics. His son George is the only republican in the family. One son, Alva B., is in the grocery business at Nelsonville, and Henry is general manager of the ice plant at Lawrenceville, Illinois, and former postmaster of that Illinois town.

George E. Johnson has spent all his life in Southern Ohio. He attended a country school in Vinton County until he was twelve years of age, and then began his working career in a grocery store at Elko in his native county. He worked there two years, during another two years farmed, and then, coming to Nelsonville, became an employe of Howe Brothers and soon afterward went to work for C. L. Poston in the meat department of the Poston mercantile enterprise.

Mr. Johnson after saving $300 out of his meager wages set himself up in business as a grocery merchant, and with his close attention to details and his integrity he was soon on the high road to prosperity. For twenty-two years he was in the grocery business in Nelsonville, his partner when he first started being William F. Bort. Mr. Johnson retired from merchandising in 1917, and has since given his time to his farm and mining interests. He is also a director of the Citizens Central Bank of Nelsonville.

He has given some good service to the cause of education, serving seven years on the school board and one year as chairman of the board. He is a deacon in the Presbyterian Church and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

On October 16, 1896, Mr. Johnson married Miss Celia Celestia Howe, a daughter of H. E. Howe, of Nelsonville. They have two accomplished children. Fred H., now with the Zeller Insurance Company, was a student in Ohio State University one year and three years in Ohio University at Athens. For a time during the war he was a member of the Students' Army Training Corps, and later was in training as a soldier at Camp Grant, being mustered out in January, 1919. He married Elizabeth Zeller in June, 1922, and their son, George E. Johnson, Jr., was born in February, 1924. The daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, has completed her professional education in kindergarten and music at Oberlin College, and teaches at Dayton, Ohio.

Charles Edward Kimerline, M. D., has built up in his native county a substantial and representative general practice as a skilled and popular physician and surgeon, and he maintains his residence and professional headquarters in the thriving little city of New Washington, his birth having here occurred

July 4, 1871. The Doctor is a son of Lewis J. and Barbara (Fissell) Kimerline, the former of whom was born in Germany, May 15, 1846, and the latter was born in Crawford County, Ohio, in 1844, a member of one of the old and honored families of this county, where she still maintains her home.

Lewis J. Kimerline was a lad of eight years when he accompanied his parents from Germany to the United States, and the family home was established on a farm near Wooster, Ohio. There he was reared to adult age and as a youth he learned the butcher's trade. He was a young man when he established himself in business at New Washington, his financial resources having been most limited but his energy and ambition superabundant. He opened a modest meat market, eventually built up a prosperous enterprise and here continued in business fifty years. He achieved independence and a large measure of financial prosperity, was a man of sterling character and fine ideals, and commanded unqualified popular esteem in the community that long represented his home and in which his death occurred on the 24th of January, 1923. He was a democrat in politics, and was a communicant of the Lutheran Church, as is also his widow. Of the seven children one died in infancy, and of those surviving the honored father Dr. Charles Edward, of this sketch, is the eldest; Frederick is connected with the automobile business at New Washington; Maude F. is the wife of Slyvester Shea, of Toledo; and Ida L., Jennie and Clara remain with their mother in the attractive old family home at New Washington.

In 1889 Dr. Charles Edward Kimerline graduated from the New Washington High School, and thereafter he put his attainments to practical use by giving effective service as a teacher. Eventually he was graduated from the Ohio Northern University, with the degree of Bachelor of Science, and in preparation for the profession of his selection he entered the medical department of Western Reserve University in Cleveland. In this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1896, and after thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he initiated the practice of his profession at Lykens, Crawford County, where he remained seven years. He took a post-graduate course in one of the leading medical institutions in New York City, and in the autumn of 1903 he established himself in practice in his native town of New Washington, where he has built up a substantial practice and figures as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of his native county. He served as president of the Crawford County Medical Society in 1922, and from the same was a delegate to the meeting of the Ohio State Medical Society in 1923, of which he is also a member. He is likewise a member of the American Medical Association. The Doctor served as coroner of Crawford County from 1916 to 1921, during the summer of 1924 he took an extended post-graduate course in the New York Post-Graduate and Medical School. He is a democrat in politics, and has been influential in the local councils and campaigns of his party. He is a stockholder in various industrial and commercial concerns in his home town, and he and his wife are communicants of the Lutheran Church.

The year 1897 recorded the marriage of Doctor Kimerline and Miss Fairy Belle Scott, who likewise was born in Crawford County, who was graduated from the New Washington High School and who was a successful and popular teacher for several years prior to her marriage. She has taken an active part in educational affairs in her home city and county, and has the distinction of being the first woman ever elected to the New Washington Board of Education of Consolidated Schools, of which she is still a member, and was also secretary for a number of years of the Crawford County School Board. Mary Scott Kimerline, the only child of Doctor and Mrs. Kimerline, was born April 12, 1900, and was a member of the senior class in Lake Erie College at the time of her death, October 31, 1921.

Frederick G. Roberts has been a member of the Lawrence County bar since 1910, gave somewhat more than ten years of effective service as judge of the Probate Court of this county, and he is now city solicitor of Ironton, an office to which he was elected in 1922. In the practice of his profession in the City of Ironton, Judge Roberts is now associated with Judge E. E. Corn, their partnership alliance having been formed in the spring of 1923, upon the retirement of Judge Roberts from the bench of the Probate Court.

Judge Roberts was born at Gallipolis, judicial center of Gallia County, Ohio, and the date of his nativity was August 18, 1880. His parents, Joseph A. and Amanda (Hutchinson) Roberts, the latter of whom is deceased, were born and reared in what is now the state of West Virginia, and the father served as a loyal soldier of the Confederacy in the Civil war. Joseph A. Roberts and his wife came to Gallia County, Ohio, within a comparatively short time after their marriage, and there he became a prosperous farmer and a citizen of influence in his community, the same having been true after he came with his family to Lawrence County. He is a democrat, and a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as was also his wife.

The lineage of the Roberts family is one of distinguished order. John Roberts, first Earl of Radnor, England, and John Alexander Roberts, fourth Earl of Truro, came to Virginia about the year 1721. In that year, in Caroline County, Virginia, was solemnized the marriage of John Alexander Roberts, and of this union were born eight children. The family home was established in Albemarle County, Virginia, in 1746, where settlement was made on a tract of land bordering Rockfish River. John, son of John Alexander Roberts, was the father of Joseph Roberts, the latter of whom was twice married, his second marriage, to Sally Hard, having occurred March 23, 1787, in Amherst County, Virginia, and nine children having been born of this union. The second of the nine children was Henry Dawson Roberts, who was born December 28, 1791, in Nelson County, Virginia, and whose death occurred May 25, 1856. He and his brothers were soldiers in the War of 1812. Henry Dawson Roberts wedded Eliza Brown Landeraft, October 23, 1817, and in what is now Fayette County, West Virginia, their son Joseph Alexander, father of the subject of this review, was born November 17, 1843. His marriage to S. Amanda Hutchinson occurred November 22, 1866, and Judge Roberts of this sketch was fourth in order of birth in their family of eight children.

The early educational discipline of Judge Roberts included that offered by the village schools of Waterloo, Lawrence County, and that he profited fully by his advantages is indicated by the success which attended his eight years of service as a teacher in the public schools. In 1910 he was graduated from the Cincinnati Law School, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, and the same year marked his admission to the Ohio bar and the initiation of his professional activities at Ironton. Here he was associated in practice with Joseph C. Riley, who was at the time the prosecuting attorney of the county. This alliance continued until the election of Judge Roberts to the office of judge of the Probate Court in 1912, he having assumed office in February, 1913, and having, by successive reelections, retained this judicial office until February, 1923. He has since been engaged in

active practice of his profession in partnership with Judge Corn, as previously noted in this context. The personal popularity of Judge Roberts needs no further voucher than the statement that while Lawrence County and the City of Ironton are strongly republican and he is a democrat, still he was elected to the office probate judge by large majorities on each occassion. While teaching school in Lawrence County he was there a member of the County Election Board, in 1907, and continued as such until 1912. He holds membership in the Lawrence County Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the Ironton Chamber of Commerce. He is affiliated also with the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Woodmen of the World, and the Knights of the Golden Eagle. He and his wife are active members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Ironton.

October 12, 1911, recorded the marriage of Judge Roberts and Miss Bertha C. Paul, daughter of Moses D. and Mary J. (Moore) Paul, of Ironton. Mr. Paul is a carpenter and builder by occupation, was a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war, and is actively affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic. Judge and Mrs. Roberts have one daughter, Marjorie.

Harlow B. Mauck is one of the old and honored business men of Lawrence County, and has spent over a third of a century in the town of Proctorville, where he owns the leading mercantile interests.

Mr. Mauck was born at Cheshire, Gallia County, Ohio, February 19, 1867, son of Lewis W. and Frances (Bradbery) Mauck and a grandson of Daniel and Polly Mauck and of Asa and Electa Bradbery. The Bradbery family came from Maine, while the Maucks were from the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. Mr. Mauck's parents were both natives of Ohio and are now deceased. His father was a Union soldier in the Civil war, with the Ninety-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, was married after the war and for many years engaged in general merchandising at Cheshire. He was a member of the Masonic Order and the Baptist Church. The three children in the family were Roscoe J., Earl W., and Harlow B.

Harlow B. Mauck grew up at Cheshire, attended the public schools there, and later entered the Ohio Northern University at Ada. He left school in 1886, at the age of nineteen, and since then has been a resident of Proctorville, Lawrence County. For ten and one-half years he worked as a clerk and in other capacities in the Mauck & Waters Store, and then engaged in business for himself. He has been a merchant there for twenty-seven years, and the community has come to regard him as the leading man of affairs. He is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Baptist Church, while his wife is a Methodist.

In June, 1893, at Proctorville, Mr. Mauck married Miss May L. Bay, daughter of Capt. George Washington and Mary (Suiter) Bay. Her parents were Ohio people and now deceased. Her father for many years was a captain of river boats. The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Mauck are Francis, Kate and Minnie.

Henry A. Kent has been a successful business man in Southern Ohio for nearly forty years. He deals in real estate in Ironton, and in former years was a lumberman and brick dealer.

He was born in Gallia County, Ohio, July 20, 1862, son of Henry A. and Matilda (Deney) Kent, both now deceased. His grandfather, Elisha Kent, was a native of England and married a Miss Grooe. The maternal grandparents were Samuel and Chloe (Short) Deney, who came to Ohio from North Carolina and were of Irish ancestry. Henry A. Kent was born in New Hampshire, and was about four years old when his parents moved to Ohio. He was reared and educated in this state, and as a young man entered the Union army with the Ninety-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was wounded and as a result of the wounds his arm was amputated at the shoulder. After the war he engaged in teaching and was a justice of the peace in Huntington Township for many years. He held for three terms the office of judge of the Probate Court of Gallia County. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Knights of Pythias and the Methodist Episcopal Church. In the family were fourteen children, eight sons and six daughters, all of whom grew up. Their names were: Arthur Wellington, Robert T., A. J., Henry A., W. B., Charles, Edwin, Clarence Preston, Alice F., Ella, Maud, Blanch, Carrie and Mira.

Henry A. Kent was reared in this numerous household of children in Gallia County, attending public schools at Gallipolis. He left school when sixteen, and during the next three years did railroad construction work, being employed on the Hocking Valley, the Kanawha & Michigan and Ohio River railroads. Following that for a short time he was a retail butcher and meat dealer, and for about fifteen years was in the brick business as a manufacturer and dealer. For seven years after that he was a lumber merchant, and after retiring therefrom he engaged in the real estate business in Ironton, where he has acquired considerable property of his own. He has been one of the reliable men in the real estate field in Lawrence County since 1917.

On July 31, 1891, at Ironton, Mr. Kent married Miss Fannie T. McKnight, daughter of William G. and Margaret McKnight. The eight children of her parents were: Alice, Ella May, Viola, Fannie T., Henry, Charles, William and Fred. Her father was an active business man of Lawrence County, a merchant, and served as county recorder, also a member of the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Kent are Methodists. He is affiliated with the Brotherhood of America and the Knights of the Maccabees.

William R. White. In the twenty odd years he has practiced law at Gallipolis Judge White has seldom had relief from some line of public duty and service. He is the present judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Gallia County, an exceptionally able jurist.

Judge White was born at Vinton, Gallia County, March 13, 1879, son of William R. and Phoebe (Holcomb) White. Both the White and Holcomb families came to Ohio from New England. His paternal grandmother was Susan Wigner. William R. White, Sr., who died in 1910, was a civil engineer by profession. His work included a vast amount of professional service, particularly the surveying and planning of roads, and he originated the method of giving Gallipolis a pure water supply by using the natural filter beds of sand and gravel.

He held the offices of county surveyor and city engineer for many years. His widow died June 3, 1924. They have two children, William R. and Mary, the latter the wife of Chancelor Baxter. By his first marriage there were three children: Katie, who died young, Lillie, who married Home Wardell, and Genevieve, who married Frank Hulick.

Judge William R. White was reared in Gallia County, graduated from the Gallipolis High School in 1898, and subsequently entered the Cincinnati Law School, where he completed the course and received his law diploma in 1902. In the same year he engaged in private practice at Gallipolis. He was elected chief of the city fire department, then director of public safety, then city solicitor, and was twice elected prosecuting attorney of Gallia County. During his

second term he resigned to accept appointment from Governor Davis as judge of the Court of Common Pleas. In 1922 he was regularly elected to judge of this court.

Judge White was a member of the Ohio National Guards, serving as captain and quartermaster for eight years. He retired before the World war came on, but on account of his knowledge of military technic he was admitted to the Officers' Training School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis. He was in training there for three months, and was then relieved of military duty in order to enable him to return to Gallipolis and perform an important service as prosecuting attorney. He did a great deal of speaking over the county in behalf of the various war measures. Judge White is a member of the Episcopal Church, and fraternally is a Knight Templar Mason, and a member of the Knights of Pythias, Elks and Junior Order United American Mechanics.

In March, 1923, he married Miss Nellie Woodward, of Gallipolis, daughter of Edward and Emma Woodward, the latter now living. Her father was a steamboat captain, an occupation followed by both of his sons. He was affiliated with the Order of Elks. Edward Woodward was a soldier in the Thirty-seventh Division during the World war. Mrs. White's two brothers are Edward, who married Louise Belcher, and Thomas, who married Sallie Sawyer, and has a daughter, Jean. Judge White has a step-daughter, Evalyne.

James S. Clark, probate judge of Gallia County, was for many years engaged in the produce business both in Southern Ohio and in other cities and states. He is well qualified by business experience for the important responsibilities he holds as judge of the Probate Court.

Judge Clark was born in Clay Township, Gallia County, Ohio, March 8, 1869, son of Amos and Frances Harriet (Riggs) Clark. His grandparents were Stephen and Prudence M. Clark and James and Mary Riggs. The Clark family came from Winterport, Maine, to Ohio, in 1850. The Riggs settled in the state as early as 1825. Amos Clark, father of Judge Clark, was married on June 2, 1863, to Frances Harriet Riggs, who died November 24, 1874. He afterwards, on October 19, 1881, was married to Sarah Ingels Harper, but by this marriage no children were born. Amos Clark was a soldier in the Civil war, being a first lieutenant in Company I of the Thirty-sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He participated in many battles. After the war he was a farmer and produce merchant, handling large quantities of produce, bought in this section of the North and shipped to Southern markets by the river. He was active in the Methodist Episcopal Church, serving as trustee and steward, and was a Mason and member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Amos Clark, who died in 1911, was survived by his widow and three children, by his first marriage: Mary L., who is the wife of Robert B. Ewing, now living at Franklin, Texas, and who has three children, Max C., Perry Van and Donald B.; James S. Clark, and Ada F., who died in 1914, married Dr. Bert L. Lackey, and is survived by three children, Amos Clark Lackey, Dorothy F. Lackey and Helen Louise Lackey, now living with their father at Xenia, Ohio.

James S. Clark was reared in a good home, and in a business atmosphere. He attended district school and the public schools at Gallipolis, spent two years in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, then completed the full commercial course in the Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York, in 1888. Having in the meantime acquired some knowledge of his father's business, he became a produce merchant and cold storage operator, and while keeping his home in Gallia County, conducted business with headquarters in Butte, Montana, in 1896-97, at Vicksburg, Mississippi, in 1890-96, and in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 1897-1904. After leaving Milwaukee he was in business in Rochester, New York, and from there returned to Gallia County, where he had always retained his legal residence. In 1908 he was elected county auditor on the republican ticket; in 1909 he entered upon his duties as county auditor, serving until October, 1913. In 1916 he was elected probate judge, was reelected in 1920, and was renominated in 1924 for a third term to the same office.

Judge Clark married, June 2, 1897, at Raccoon Island, Gallia County, Miss Ethel Faye McDaniel, daughter of Jehu L. and Martha A. (Guthrie) McDaniel. Her paternal grandparents were Sylvester and Mahala (Loucks) McDaniel and her maternal grandparents were Truman Guthrie and Hannah (Knowles) Guthrie. Mrs. Ethel F. Clark is a graduate of the Gallipolis High School and attended the Ohio State University, is a member of the Methodist Church, the Order of the Eastern Star and Daughters of America. The McDaniel family came from Pennsylvania into Ohio in 1803. The Guthries were an old Connecticut family and were among the earliest settlers of Marietta, Ohio. Jehu L. McDaniel was a Union soldier, serving in the One Hundred and Seventy-third Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. By occupation he was a farmer. He died September 19, 1923. Mrs. Clark's mother is still living. There were three children in the McDaniel family: May, living at Oxford, Ohio, who, by her marriage to John H. King, has three children, named Elsie E., wife of John Bailey, Mary, wife of Walter King, and Ray M.; Mrs. Clark; and Edna, who lives at Charleston, West Virginia, married Clarence W. Kemper, and has three children, as follows: Martha E., Elizabeth M. and Clarence McDaniel Kemper.

The only child of Judge and Mrs. Clark is Frances M., wife of Frank E. Wetherholt, who, during the World war, was a member of the Student's Army Training Corps at Ohio State University. Frances M. (Clark) Wetherholt graduated from the Gallipolis High School in 1918 and from Miami University in June, 1923. She was married to Frank E. Wetherholt July 11, 1923. Frank E. Wetherholt was a graduate from Gallipolis High School in 1918; attended Ohio University at Athens, Ohio, and Ohio State University, is a Knight Templar and a member of the undertaking firm of George J. Wetherholt & Sons.

Judge Clark is a member of the Methodist Church. He is a Knight Templar and Thirty-second degree Mason and a Shriner, and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, of the Elks and Junior Order American Mechanics, also belonging to the United Commercial Travelers and Travelers' Protective Association. He is a republican in politics.

Charles L. Metz, M. D., is one of the veteran and honored physicians and surgeons engaged in practice in the Madisonville district of the City of Cincinnati, and is one of the influential citizens of his community.

Doctor Metz was born in Cincinnati, on the 1st of January, 1847, and is a son of the late Dr. Francis M. Metz, who had been engaged in the practice of medicine in New Orleans, Louisiana, prior to establishing his residence in Cincinnati, he having here continued in the successful work of his profession for a long term of years. In the Cincinnati public schools, including the high school, Dr. Charles L. Metz acquired his youthful education, and here he later pursued a course in the Miami Medical College, in which fine old institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1870, he having thus honorably and effectively held the degree of Doc-

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tor of Medicine for more than half a century—a period marked by earnest and able professional stewardship on his part. He became associated with his father in practice in Cincinnati, and here he has labored wisely and well in the alleviation of human suffering. The Doctor has long controlled a large and representative general practice, and has yet shown no desire to abate his professional activities. He is official district physician and also physician for the public and parochial schools of the Madisonville district. He is one of the veteran members of the Cincinnati Academy of Medicine and has long been influential in its affairs, besides which he is actively affiliated with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

Doctor Metz is a man of fine intellectuality, and has ever continued an appreciative student and reader, both along professional and scientific lines and also along that of general literature. He has membership in the Ohio Archæological Society and the Ohio Historical Society. He was manager of the Ohio archæological exhibit at the World Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893, and for a number of years he was associated with the archæological work of Harvard University. His political allegiance is given to the republican party. He was a member of the Madisonville Board of Education fifteen years, and he served four years as a member of the Madisonville City Council before this place became an integral part of Cincinnati. He is local medical examiner for a large number of leading life insurance companies, and he served eight years as health officer of Madisonville. He is a director of the Madisonville Building Association, and he has long been an active member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

May 4, 1870, recorded the marriage of Doctor Metz and Miss Amelia Berger, daughter of the late Andrew and Julia Berger, who were honored citizens of Brown County. Anna, eldest of the children of Doctor and Mrs. Metz, is the wife of Doctor Knight, who is engaged in the practice of medicine in Cincinnati; Miss Clara Isabella remains at the parental home; Beatrice Amelia (Mrs. McCafferty) resides at Vera Cruz, Brown County, Ohio; Captain Charles W., M. D., served as a captain in the Medical Corps of the United States Army in the World war, he having been stationed for some time at Camp Humphreys, Virginia, and having been a government instructor in first-aid work, his service in France having been as captain of a First Aid Division, and he having been in charge of the last company of American medical men to leave France for the home land after the signing of the historic armistice, he being now engaged in the practice of his profession in Cincinnati; Ethel, next younger of the children, is married and resides in Brown County, Ohio, at Vera Cruz; George, who is now engaged in the insurance business in Cincinnati, served overseas as a corporal in the Fourth United States Regular Infantry and was wounded while participating in the battle of Argonne Forest; and Misses Marie and Margaret remain at the parental home.

Charles D. Simeral. One of the oldest and most influential newspapers published in Ohio is the Herald-Star at Steubenville. The Herald was founded more than a century ago, in 1806, while the Herald-Star combination dates back more than a third of a century. The most prosperous era of this newspaper coincides with the years that Charles D. Simeral has been the guide of its destiny. Mr. Simeral, as nearly everyone in eastern Ohio understands, is something more than a successful newspaper man. He has a genius for politics and party management, and while he has never held an important public office, he has for some years ranked as one of the most influential leaders of the republican party of Ohio.

Mr. Simeral was born at Bloomingdale, in Jefferson County, Ohio, March 18, 1875, son of John B. and Harriet (Jones) Simeral, and grandson of Alexander Simeral. The Simerals, good Revolutionary stock, came to Ohio from Pennsylvania about 1803, while the Jones family came from Maryland. John B. Simeral, who died in 1888, was a merchant at Bloomingdale and was postmaster there for a number of years, this being the only office he ever held. He was very active in politics, and one of his brothers was county auditor for nearly a third of a century. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife, Harriet Jones, died April 11, 1914. They had three children: George M., who married Lillian Reed; Ada; and Charles D.

Charles D. Simeral worked for all his opportunities in higher education beyond the common schools, which he attended at Bloomingdale. Some years later he continued the course in Scio College, where he graduated. Before going to college he held a responsible position in the pension office at Columbus, becoming an employee there when fourteen years of age. He was there five years and later tutored in the college while taking the course. For five years he was private secretary to Hon. J. J. Gill, of Steubenville, serving in this capacity during his congressional terms.

Mr. Gill was also owner of the Herald-Star, and after he retired from Congress Mr. Simeral joined the staff of that paper. It is self evident that Mr. Simeral made himself indispensable to this old journalistic institution. In 1905 he arranged to purchase the Herald-Star from Mr. Gill, organizing for that purpose and incorporating a stock company. He holds much more than the controlling interest in the Herald Printing Company. The price paid for the newspaper plant was sixty-two thousand dollars, a big price for a small city daily in those days. Mr. Simeral himself had only three thousand dollars in cash, and perhaps nothing has ever given him more satisfaction than the discovery of the real worth of a good name, as a result of which he was able to finance the deal and carry the chief responsibility in making one of the best papers in Ohio. The Herald-Star has grown amazingly and is now published in its own modern equipped building and plant on a forty-page Hoe press, with all the facilities, mechanical and editional, that go into the making of a great newspaper. Mr. Simeral writes the "Observer" column, which is widely read and very influential.

He is also a director of the Steubenville Bank & Trust Company, of the Steubenville Hotel Company, of the Ross Park Realty Company, a trustee of the Gill Hospital, of the Young Women's Christian Association, and president of the Red Cross.

Doubtless his prominence in the republican party is due to his ability to influence men, and also to his very decided gift of oratory. As a forceful and convincing speaker he has few equals in the state. He has exemplified the dry sentiment in the party very emphatically, and his strength of leadership has been all the more remarkable because of this. He has served as secretary of the Republican State Central Committee, as a member of the State Campaign Committee; has been a delegate to many state and district conventions and has declined important and outstanding political honors.

During the World war his distinctive achievement was in assisting to organize and planning the War Board of Jefferson County, of which he served as president. This war board was made up of 743 picked men and women of the county, all of them enthusiastic workers. The board as a whole was divided into teams, each team with a captain, working in different

districts and on certain phases of the war program. All matters in connection with the war in which the county had a part came before the executive committee of the war board for settlement. Mr. Simeral was also chairman of the Draft Board, and during all of the war gave practically all of his time to the service of the government, refusing to accept any compensation for his work. It is a remarkable fact that in every loan campaign the subscriptions went over the top within less than two days. He was also chairman of the committee having in charge the soldiers great home coming demonstration, one of the most remarkable welcomes extended to the soldiers by any community.

Mr. Simeral is a former president of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce; a former chairman of the Forum and is now a member of its Board of Directors. He is a charter member and for two years was president of the Steubenville Rotary Club, and is now the governor, Rotary International, 22nd district. He belongs to the Country Club, is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner and a member of the Elks and the Maccabees. He and his family worship in the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Simeral married at Steubenville, February 8, 1906, Miss Jessie Gladfelter, daughter of Nathan and Anna (Metzger) Gladfelter, being the second of their four children. Her sister, Mrs. Grace McCraken, is the only other one still living. Her brother Fred, who died in 1909, married Anna Huber and left a daughter, Helen. Mrs. Simeral's brother Harry died at the age of twenty. Her father was early in life connected with the paper mill industry at Steubenville. He served as a director of the County Infirmary, and later as market superintendent. He was a Methodist and Odd Fellow. Mr. and Mrs. Simeral have one daughter, Anna Harriet, born November 13, 1908, who graduated from the Rosemary Hall Preparatory School at Greenwich, Connecticut, in 1924, and continued her higher education in Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania.

Barring political office, to which he never aspired, Mr. Simeral has been showered with every position of honor and trust his city and county could bestow upon him. As an editor, as an orator, and as a leader in every movement for civic betterment he has been outstanding both in his section and in his state, but of all the service he has rendered, the service of which he is proudest is the war service to which he gave himself so enthusiastically and unreservedly during that critical period of world history.

Cincinnati Enquirer. Without attempting to set down all the factors that have made the Cincinnati Enquirer a very successful newspaper, the extent of its power and influence in the Middle West, the following article offers some chronology of this newspaper as an institution and the names of the principal men who have promoted its destiny.

In 1828 Moses Dawson established The Phoenix as a Cincinnati newspaper, for a number of years conducting it and a job printing office. The plant and publications were sold to the brothers, John and Charles H. Brough, who on Saturday, April 10, 1841, published the first issue of the Cincinnati Enquirer as a daily, weekly and tri-weekly.

John Brough was a printer and publisher, having been successful in the management of two newspapers before entering upon his Cincinnati venture. He was also prominent in politics, having been auditor of the state, and later was elected governor of Ohio. Charles H. Brough was closely identified with local affairs. Shortly after the advent of the Enquirer he was elected prosecuting attorney of Hamilton County.

In its early years the Enquirer won neither distinction nor prosperity. The Broughs soon sold a part and eventually all of their interests, and the paper changed owners and location a number of times. For a brief interval it was known as the Enquirer and the Messenger.

A few years before the outbreak of the Civil war the paper passed to the control of Hiram H. Robinson, and enjoyed a period of prominence, claiming "twice the circulation of any political paper in the country." This prominence also made it possible for its publisher to become United States marshal in 1856. In 1858 he sold the business to James J. Faran and Washington McLean.

Mr. Faran had been mayor of Cincinnati. Washington McLean was interested in steamboat building and other enterprises. They gathered a staff of newspaper workers of unusual ability, removed the publication plant to Baker Street and were successful not only as journalists, but in their extensive commercial printing business in which they specialized in "show prints," putting out spectacular posters and billboard papers for circuses and road shows.

The Enquirer received a staggering blow in the fire of March 22, 1866, which destroyed not only the Pike Opera House but the entire establishment of the paper and a large stock of posters and show bills. Undefeated and without being discouraged, the publishers planned expansion rather than retrenchment, after this fire, procuring the present site of the paper on Vine Street and resumed regular publication as soon as new machinery and equipment could be assembled. Washington McLean acquired the interests of Mr. Faran by purchase, and soon made the Enquirer the most prosperous and influential newspaper in this section of Ohio and Kentucky. He was active in political affairs, not as an aspirant for office but as a power in its councils.

The late John R. McLean, son of Washington McLean, was born in 1858, and began his career as an office boy and reporter on the Enquirer. In 1873 he acquired a part interest in the business. He was ambitious and not in entire sympathy with what he regarded as his father's conservative policy. It is related that he advised against the sale of the show print end of the business to two equally ambitious employes, Messrs. Russel and Morgan, who also prospered and became vital factors in the United States Printing Company.

In 1881 John R. McLean became the sole owner of the Enquirer, and its aggressive and enterprising editor and publisher. He assumed a considerable debt, which he soon discharged, and made his paper the undisputed leader in its territory as well as one of the most widely distributed and nationally influential organs of the day. Since the death of John R. McLean in June, 1916, the Enquirer has been operated as a part of his estate under the direction of his son, Edward B. McLean.

Jesse Franklin Thompson, who is giving at the time of this writing (1924) a loyal and progressive administration as executive head of the municipal government of Bremen, Fairfield County, has been established in the successful practice of law in this fine little city during a period of a quarter of a century, and has built up a substantial and representative law business.

Mr. Thompson was born on a farm one mile distant from Bremen, Fairfield County, and the date of his nativity was January 2, 1873. He is a son of the late Edward and Elizabeth (Thomas) Thompson, the former of whom died in 1897 and the latter in March, 1918. Of the children the eldest is William A., who married Mary F. McDougal, their four children being Lloyd E., John Neal, Edith and Fred-

erick. The subject of this sketch was the second child. Linnie, the next in order of birth, is deceased.

Edward Thompson maintained his home in Ohio during the entire period of his life, and was long numbered among the substantial exponents of farm industry in Fairfield County. He was in service as a gallant soldier of the Union during four years of the Civil war, he having been corporal of Company B, Seventeenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and having participated in many of the engagements marking the great conflict between the states of the North and the South. In later years he found pleasing associations in his affiliation with the Grand Army of the Republic. Both he and his wife were active members of the Presbyterian Church.

Jesse F. Thompson was reared under the invigorating influences of the home farm, profited in the meanwhile by the advantages of the district schools, and at the age of nineteen years completed his course in the high school at Bremen. Thereafter he continued his literary or academic studies in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and in the law department of this institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1898. In March of that year, after his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws, he was admitted to the bar of his native state, and he has since continued to be established in the active general practice of his profession at Bremen. He is a staunch advocate and supporter of the cause of the republican party, is the present mayor of Bremen and is serving also as solicitor of his township. He is a member of the Fairfield County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association, is a valued member of the Bremen Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with the Grange and the Sons of Veterans. Both he and his wife are active members of the Presbyterian Church in their home city.

William Thompson, grandfather of him whose name initiates this review, passed his entire life in Ohio, as did also his wife, whose maiden name was Mary Black. His father was born and reared in Scotland and became a pioneer settler in Fairfield County, Ohio, where he acquired 300 acres of land and reclaimed a productive farm. Jesse Thomas, maternal grandfather of the subject of this sketch, came to Ohio from Virginia, his father, Aaron Thomas, having likewise come to this state from the old home in Rockingham County, Virginia. Jesse Thomas married Elizabeth Miller, who was born in Pennsylvania, of Scotch ancestry.

On the 5th of July, 1904, was solemnized the marriage of Jesse F. Thompson and Lissa Williams, daughter of Thomas and Fannie (Hooker) Williams, the former of whom died in the year 1914 and the latter still maintains her home in Fairfield County. To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Williams were born the following children: Alice is the wife of Charles Reed, and they have five children; Mary is the wife of William Cruit, and they have six children; Lissa (Mrs. Thompson) was the next in order of birth; Mark married Crissie Peters, and they have four children; Frances is the wife of George Sprau, and they have three children; Waldo married Edna Beal and they have two children; Owen married Edna Bell and they have one child.

Thomas Williams was a representative of one of the old and honored families of this section of Ohio, was for many years prior to his death numbered among the prominent farmers of Fairfield County, and as a young man he was a valiant soldier in the Civil war, as a member of the Ninetieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. In after years he perpetuated his association with his old comrades by maintaining active affiliations with the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have four children: Frances, John E., Roger W., and Ruth.

Christian Diehl, Jr., is president of the Defiance Dairy Products Company, and is a member of a family that has had an important part in the industrial life of that city for a great many years.

He was born at Toledo, Ohio, in March, 1870, son of Christian and Mary (Rantz) Diehl. His father, who was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, August 21, 1842, was reared and educated in his native country, and practically from the age of seven was dependent upon his own resources. In 1860, at the age of eighteen, he came to the United States, and worked and familiarized himself with American life and customs at New York, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, St. Louis, and Toledo, Ohio. On October 15, 1870, a few months after the birth of his son, Christian, Jr., he moved to Defiance, Ohio. He became a foreman in a local brewery, and in 1885 he took over the business and operated it himself. On July 1, 1896, he took his son into partnership, and on July 1, 1902, the business was incorporated as the Christian Diehl Brewing Company. This business is still in operation, manufacturing soft drinks. The secretary and treasurer of the company is Christ Diehl, Jr. Mrs. Christian Diehl, Sr., died April 2, 1910.

Christ Diehl, Jr., was reared in Defiance, attended local schools, and in the fall of 1883 went to work in his father's brewing plant. He has had a business career of a third of a century, and has interested himself in a number of important lines of development in this section of Ohio. The Defiance Dairy Products Company was organized in September, 1920, and began operation in April, 1922, with a capitalization of $300,000, and has done much to provide an effective market for dairy products.

Mr. Diehl married, September 21, 1893, Louisa C. Speiser. They have four children: Arthur F., who is a graduate of high school and the Ohio State University; Edwin S., a graduate of high school and Defiance College, completed his law course in Ohio State University and is now a practicing attorney at Defiance; Helen L., a graduate of high school and Ohio State University; and Richard C., who is a student at Ohio State University.

Mr. Diehl is a member of the Lutheran Church. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Order of Eagles, the Rotary Club and the United Commercial Travelers.

Albert Perry Miller, judge of the Common Pleas Court of Meigs County, has had a distinguished career as an attorney, jurist and citizen. He is a minister's son, has been dependent on his own efforts and resources since early youth, and has utilized to his own success and public service exceptional abilities of mind and character that were part of his inheritance.

Judge Miller was born on the plains in Northern Kansas, in Jewell County, August 2, 1872, son of Rev. Commodore Perry and Maria (Janes) Miller. His father was of the same family as the famous naval hero, Commodore Perry. Commodore Perry Miller was born in New York State, in April, 1842, and now lives at Detroit, Michigan, alert and active, and in his eighty-first year made a tour from coast to coast. He has been a Methodist minister sixty years, his ministerial work taking him to many parts of the country. In the early days he was in old Indian Territory preaching to and teaching the Indians. He also had congregations in Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio. In Ohio he became well known as pastor of churches in Lawrence, Gallia and Meigs counties. Much of his time has been taken up with Evangelistic work, and

his brother Frank was an eminent Evangelist, working with Moody a number of years ago and later with Billy Sunday.

Commodore Perry Miller at the time of the Civil war volunteered as a drummer boy in the Nineteenth Michigan Infantry, and was in the thick of many battles, being at the siege of Vicksburg and later in Virginia campaigns. He has musical gifts of high order, playing the violin and other instruments. While living in Michigan he served as justice of the peace and mayor of Montrose. While an eloquent and forceful preacher and a constructive worker in the ministry, he has also been a practical business man and financier. For many years his salary as a minister was frequently given in such goods as pumpkins and cordwood, and that not being sufficient for the support of his family he turned his ingenuity to good account in a business way. Frequently in towns where he was minister of the Methodist Church he would engage in some other line of business, and eventually he became owner of a number of valuable farms. With his sons at one time he conducted a music store at Topeka, Kansas.

The father of Rev. Commodore Perry Miller went out to Missouri as a pioneer, locating in Clay County. In the same community lived the famous border bandit family of the James brothers. Grandfather Miller was very oustpoken, and once upbraided the James brothers, Jesse and Frank, for their method of living. A fight ensued and Jesse James shot the grandfather in the left eye, a wound that caused his death a few years later. There has been a surprising fatality in the Miller family since then. Rev. Commodore Perry Miller lost his left eye while chopping wood. Judge Miller as a child at the age of two years lost the sight of his left eye while playing. Rev. Mr. Miller is a man of large physique, weighing 210 pounds, handsome in appearance and very precise in dress. His first wife, Maria Janes, was born in Illinois and died in 1892. After her death he married Nellie Omans, of Spring Arbor, Michigan. There were eight children of the first marriage, and those to grow up were: Eugene, who conducts a grain elevator at Clio, Michigan; Frank, an expert machinist at Detroit; Judge Albert Perry; Clara, deceased wife of Bert Johnson, of Montrose, Michigan; Marcia, wife of William Sevener, of Seattle, Washington; Chester, in the coal business at Michigan; and Ethel, wife of Claude Morrison, of Portland, Oregon.

Albert Perry Miller had a migratory boyhood Methodist ministers seldom remained in one place more than two or three years, and consequently before he was grown he had lived in communities in Kansas, Michigan, Indiana and Iowa. He graduated from the Pomeroy High School in Meigs County, Ohio, and when the family moved from Pomeroy he remained. He worked for his living, and from 1899 to 1902 was editor of the Tribune-Telegraph of Pomeroy. As a newspaper editor he paid the expenses of his legal education. He entered the law department of the University of Michigan, and while there carried on his duties as editor by correspondence. Judge Miller after his admission to the bar achieved rapid recognition as an able attorney. He served as prosecuting attorney of Meigs County in 1906-11, and from 1912 to 1915 was in law practice in partnership with former Chief Justice Joseph Bradbury. Chief Justice Bradbury was a resident of Pomeroy and served eleven years on the bench of the Ohio Supreme Court and at an earlier period had been judge of the Common Pleas Court.

On January 1, 1916, Judge Miller entered upon his present duties as common pleas judge of Meigs County. Since boyhood he has taken an active interest in politics. He was chairman of the Meigs County Republican Committee before his election as prosecuting attorney, and has been a delegate to many county, district and state conventions. He is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, and fraternally affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Junior Order United American Mechanics and Elks.

In 1893 he married Miss Ella Hazelton, daughter of Capt. James A. Hazelton. Her father was a brave soldier and fine officer of the Union army, serving with the Fourth West Virginia Infantry, and though in thirty battles of the Civil war, escaped without a wound. Mrs. Miller was born in Pomeroy. They have three children: Hazel, wife of Fred Graff, who is private secretary to the president of the Nickel Plate Railway; Albert J., who was in the Officers' Training School at Camp Taylor in the latter months of the war and is now a cadet in West Point Military Academy; and Miss Martha, at home.

Robert T. Whitaker, one of the veteran merchants and business men of Defiance, is widely known over the state as past grand commander of the Grand Commandery of Ohio Knights Templar and as a thirty-third degree Scottish Rite Mason.

Mr. Whitaker was born at Sylvania, Ohio, February 21, 1862, son of John Holland and Elizabeth (Talbot) Whitaker. His father was born in Boston, Massachusetts, October 1, 1833, was reared and educated there, and as a young man came to Ohio and at Sylvania married Miss Talbot, who was born in that Ohio village September 19, 1842. She died March 4, 1893. The father took up railroading, and as an employe of the Wabash Railroad Company was transferred to Defiance, where he continued for many years. He was a Master Mason and a member of the Methodist Church, and a republican in politics. His two sons were Robert T. and John H. The latter after leaving high school entered Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, and became a minister of the Methodist Church.

Robert T. Whitaker spent his boyhood days at Sylvania, and attended public schools in Toledo. When he was fourteen years old he went to work as a clerk in a dry goods store at Defiance, from minor responsibiliities climbed to executive duties, and for forty years has been managing partner of Harley & Whitaker, a well known Defiance mercantile house handling dry goods, ready-to-wear garments and floor coverings.

Mr. Whitaker married Miss Tillie M. Harley, of Defiance. They have two daughters: Grace L., who is a high school graduate and a graduate in domestic science at Boston, Massachusetts; and Amy Elizabeth, who after graduating from high school attended the National Park Seminary at Washington, D. C., and is now the wife of Bert E. Davis, cashier of the Merchants National Bank of Defiance. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Whitaker is a member of all the York and Scottish Rite bodies of Masonry, receiving the supreme honorary thirty-third degree in the Scottish Rite. He belongs to the Scottish Rite Consistory at Toledo. In the York Rite bodies he is a past master, past high priest, past twice illustrious master and past eminent commander. He also belongs to the Rotary Club, the Toledo Club, the Defiance Golf & Country Club, and in politics is a republican.

Paul E. Lyden, sheriff of Mahoning County, was born and grew up at Youngstown, was an employe in the iron and steel industry of that district, and had a number of years experience as a police officer and secret service operator before he entered upon his duties through election as a sheriff of one

of the largest and most populous counties in the state.

Mr. Lyden was born at Youngstown, March 12, 1889, son of William F. and Bridget E. (Burke) Lyden. His paternal grandparents, Martin and Bridget (Lyden) Lyden, came to the United States and located at Wheatland, Pennsylvania, in 1868, and in 1872 moved to Youngstown, where Martin Lyden was a steel worker. The maternal grandparents of Sheriff Lyden were Patrick and Catherine (Derrick) Burke, who came to this country and located at Wheatland, Pennsylvania, about 1866, and in 1872 moved to Youngstown. The late William F. Lyden, who died October 21, 1915, was one of the highly respected and honored citizens at Youngstown. For over thirty-seven years he was connected with the iron and steel plants subsequently taken over by the Republic Iron & Steel Company, and he was foreman of the puddling department when the famous old Valley Mill near Youngstown was dismantled. He also served two terms as a member of the City Council, and helped secure the construction of the Market Street viaduct. He was a democrat, and a member of the Catholic Church. His widow still lives in Youngstown.

Paul E. Lyden was the third in a family of eleven children, nine of whom are still living. He was educated in public and parochial schools at Youngstown, and at the age of fifteen began a practical apprenticeship to learn the pattern making trade. He followed this trade in local foundries and other shops for about eight years.

He left his trade to become a member of the Youngstown Police Department, serving six years, and then became a member of the County Secret Service, serving three years under Prosecuting Attorney J. P. Huxley and another three years under H. H. Hull.

Mr. Lyden in November, 1922, was elected sheriff of Mahoning County, and has shown a great deal of resourcefulness, energy and courage in handling the many problems and duties of this office. He is a republican in politics, a member of St. Edwards' Catholic Church, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the Loyal Order of Moose.

February 7, 1912, Mr. Lyden married Miss Mary A. Cronin, who was born at Pittsburgh, daughter of Michael and Nora (Barry) Cronin. Her parents were natives of Wales. The four children of Sheriff and Mrs. Lyden are: Coletta, born May 13, 1913; Agnes, born April 26, 1915; Paul, born May 13, 1916; and Bertram, born September 7, 1921.

Hon. J. Henry Goeke, both as a professional man and citizen, measures up to the highest standards, and is able and resourceful, and a credit to himself and Lima, where he is engaged in the profession of law. He was born at Minster, Ohio, October 28, 1869, a son of Matthias and Bernadina (Ruemping) Goeke. After his preliminary education, acquired in the public schools of Minster, Coldwater and Celina, Ohio, J. Henry Goeke became a student of Pio Nona College, Saint Francis, Wisconsin, from which he was graduated in 1888. His legal training was taken in the Cincinnati, Ohio, Law School, and he was graduated therefrom in May, 1891. That same year he was admitted to practice at the Ohio bar. Locating at Saint Marys, Ohio, he formed a partnership with William T. Mooney, and this association continued for a year, but was terminated by by the election of Mr. Mooney to the bench in 1892. In the subsequent year Mr. Goeke formed a partnership with Anthony Culliton, and in 1896 C. L. Smith was taken into the firm, the name then becoming Goeke, Culliton & Smith. In the meanwhile, in 1893, Mr. Koeke was elected city solicitor of Saint Marys, and was reelected to succeed himself. In 1894 he was elected prosecuting attorney, and three years later was returned to the office on his record. During 1897 he formed a partnership with Samuel A. Hoskins, of Wapakoneta, Ohio, which continued until May, 1907, when he formed the firm of Goeke, Anderson & Boesel, which continued until Mr. Goeke moved to Lima. Very active in the democratic party, he was chairman of the state convention that nominated T. L. Johnson for governor in 1903; he was delegate-at-large from Ohio to the national convention of his party at Baltimore, Maryland, in 1912, and was elected congressman from the Fourth Congressional District to the Sixty-second and Sixty-third congresses. During his first term he was a member of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce, and chairman of the subcommittee on expenditures in the treasury department that investigated the subject of collecting interest on Government funds on deposit in national banks, which resulted in the Government charging 2 per cent on all Government deposits. This measure resulted in the earning for the Government for the first year, 1903, $1,500,000. Mr. Goeke was author of the bill providing for the extension of the boiler extension law so as to make it applicable to all parts of the locomotive and tender, and this bill became a law March 3, 1915. During the campaign of 1914 he served as treasurer of the Democratic National Congressional Committee, being the first to hold membership on that committee when not a member of Congress himself.

While he was a resident of Wapakoneta he was president of the telephone company of that city; president of the Democrat Printing Company, publishers of the Auglaize County Democrat and the Daily News; director of the First National Bank and president of the Abner Manufacturing Company. At Lima Mr. Goeke has won leadership at the bar, and his clean record and upright life are open to all. Of late years, especially since coming to Lima in 1917, he has confined himself to the practice of corporation law and important trial cases. Professionally he belongs to the County, State and National Bar associations. He is general council for the First National Bank of Wapakoneta, for the Fostoria & Fremont Railroad Company, for the Western Ohio Railroad Company, the City Loan & Savings Company, the Domestic Discount Company, and Charles H. Draper Company, as receiver of the First National Bank of Bluffton, Ohio.

In November, 1891, Mr. Goeke was first married to Miss Emma Kolter, of Wapakoneta, Ohio, a daughter of Frederick and Mary Kolter, and they had two children: Gladys and Winfield. Mrs. Goeke was a graduate of the Wapakoneta High School, and took an active part in social and welfare work in her community. She and her two children were accidentally asphyxiated by natural gas in 1904, while Mr. Goeke was away from home. In September, 1906, Mr. Goeke married Miss Catharine Nichols, of Wapakoneta, a daughter of A. J. and Mollie Nichols. At the time of his death, in 1888, Mr. Nichols was clerk of the courts. Mr. and Mrs. Goeke have two children: Mary Jane and Kate Irene, both of whom are of school age.

Capt. Francis M. Doyle, a building engineer by profession, came to Ohio as an officer in the Quartermaster's Corps during the great war, and was connected with some of the great government building construction at Columbus. He has since become a permanent resident of the capital city, and is now president of the American Home Owning, Institute, Incorporated.

Captain Doyle was born in Boston, Massachusetts, November 24, 1885, and was reared and educated in the public schools of his native city and then entered Harvard University, where he was graduated in 1907. For some years following he was in the contracting and construction engineering business at Boston. Soon after America entered the war with the Central powers, in the spring of 1917, he volunteered and was commissioned a captain in the Quartermaster's Corps. Soon afterward the army authorities sent him to Columbus, where he was superintendent of construction at Columbus Barracks, now Fort Hayes, and he also superintended the construction of the East Columbus Army Reserve Depot. These and other duties required his constant attention here until after the armistice. Since the war Captain Doyle has become an increasing factor in the business life of his city. He was the man primarily instrumental in bringing about the reorganization of the American Home Owning Institute, Incorporated, and is now its president and active executive. This institute, the largest of its kind in Ohio, is an organization designed to furnish the service that will help supply the urgent need of home construction in Columbus and vicinity, and at the same time eliminate some of the burdensome costs and expenses of building and financing a home. A large number of the leading men and women of Columbus have become identified with the institute, and the advisory council includes a long list of names of men and women prominent in the official, business and civic affairs of Columbus. The service provided by the institute is designed to give the family of moderate means a perfect home of modern design and safeguard the interests of the home owner through every phase of the transaction, beginning with the choosing of the site, the architectural service, the actual building construction, and the financing and protecting the home owner in the possession of his property. The most significant part of the service offered by this institute is the opportunity it affords to home builders to borrow money at reasonable and legitimate rates on second mortgages for the building or completion of their homes, thus avoiding the extortion so often practiced by unscrupulous mortgage brokers.

Captain Doyle is one of the popular younger men in the business and civic affairs of Columbus. He is a member of Franklin Post No. 1 of the American Legion, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Ira C. McClave maintains a partnership alliance with F. D. Hennessey in the ownership and conducting of one of the leading undertaking and funeral directing establishments in the City of Steubenville, where he has been actively associated with his line of business enterprise nearly twenty years.

Mr. McClave was born at East Springfield, Jefferson County, March 31, 1885, and has not found it necessary to go outside the borders of his native county in finding opportunity for successful business achievement. He is the only child of John K. and Anna (Kirkpatrick) McClave, and his mother died in June, 1885, about three months after his birth. John K. McClave, who is now living virtually retired in the City of Steubenville, has been known as one of the progressive and successful exponents of farm industry in Jefferson County, and while still residing on his farm he served as a member of the School Board of his district and was otherwise influential in public affairs of local order. He is a democrat in politics and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a native of Ohio and is a son of the late William and Susanna (Kirk) McClave. Mrs. Anna McClave was a daughter of James and Mary Kirkpatrick.

Ira C. McClave passed the period of his boyhood and earlier youth on the home farm, and in the meanwhile profited by the advantages of the district schools. At the age of eighteen years he completed his studies in the Dennison High School, and during the ensuing two years he was employed in J. F Robinson's flour and feed store at Steubenville. He thereafter gave two years of service in the office of the supervisor of the maintenance of way department of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and he then took a position in the local undertaking establishment of D. F. Coe. A year later he entered the Penn College of Embalming at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and after completing the prescribed course of one year he was graduated in this institution. He forthwith passed the required examination that gave him status as a licensed embalmer in the State of Ohio, and he resumed his position with Mr. Coe, with whom he continued to be associated eighteen years. On the 1st of January, 1924, he formed a partnership with Mr. Hennessey, and they purchased the business that had been long and successfully conducted by Mr. Coe, who thereupon retired and whose death occurred in the following month. Mr. McClave is one of the substantial business men and loyal and progressive citizens of Steubenville, and here he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Protestant Church.

In August, 1911, occurred the marriage of Mr. McClave and Miss Helen E. King, of East Liverpool, Columbiana County, she being a daughter of Robert and Martha (McGee) King, both now deceased. Concerning the other children of the King family the following brief data are available: Margaret is the widow of Jerome Smith and has four children; Edward and his wife have two children; Elta is the wife of Joshua Pool, and they have two children; Charles R. and his wife have three children; and William, who is youngest of the children, married Minnie Swearingen. Mr. and Mrs. McClave have no children.

N. Eugene Reichelderfer. The founders of the Reichelderfer family in America came from Holland to this country in an early day and made settlement in Pennsylvania, from which staunch old commonwealth came the original representatives of the name in Ohio. Rufus Reichelderfer, father of him whose name initiates this paragraph, passed his entire life in Ohio, and was long numbered among the substantial exponents of farm enterprise in Salt Creek Township, Pickaway County, his death having there occurred August 7, 1921. His widow, whose maiden name was Susan Davis, still resides at Tarlton, that county, she being a daughter of the late Jesse and Elizabeth Davis. Rufus Reichelderfer was a man of strong individuality, well fortified in his opinions concerning governmental affairs, and was influential in his community, where he was called upon to serve in various township offices. He was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and was a communicant of the Lutheran Church, as is also his widow. Of the children the youngest is N. Eugene, of this sketch. Minerva, the first born, died June 14, 1904. George, whose death occurred on the 19th of June, 1922, married Miss Opal Daugherty, who survives him, as do four of their five children, whose names are here recorded: Gertrude (deceased), Minerva, Waneta, Marjorie and Harry. The only son, Harry, enlisted for service in the United States Army prior to the nation's entrance into the World war, in which great conflict he participated. He was with his command for some time, and his military activities aside from this war having included service in the Philippine

Islands. He has the rank of captain and is now stationed with his regiment in the State of New York. Augustus' son Clay was likewise in active overseas service in the World war.

N. Eugene Reichelderfer attended the public schools of Pickaway County, in which county his birth occurred on the family homestead farm near Tarlton, on the 21st of January, 1882. In 1902 he was graduated from the high school at Tarlton, and thereafter he was for two years a student in Ohio University at Athens. He then engaged in teaching in the district schools, and he continued a successful and popular representative of the pedagogic profession for the long period of sixteen years, his teaching having been mainly in the schools of his native county. He next gave four years of effective service as assistant cashier of the Citizens Bank at Ashville, Pickaway County, and he then accepted his present position, that of cashier of the First National Bank of Kingston. Under the registration he was assigned to class No. 4 at the time of the World war, and thus he was not called into active service. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he is affiliated with the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council bodies of the Masonic fraternity.

At Covington, Kentucky, in February, 1904, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Reichelderfer and Miss Muriel Thomas. Mrs. Reichelderfer is one of a family of six children; Fred, eldest of the number, married Miss Jennie Bause; Bess is the wife of James O'Brien; Ethel is the wife of Clinton Wilson; Helen is the wife of Frank Douglas; and Ruby is at the parental home. Mr. and Mrs. Reichelderfer have two sons and two daughters, namely: Elizabeth, Evelyn, Waldren and Dale. Miss Elizabeth Reichelderfer is (1923) a successful and popular teacher in the high school at Chillicothe, county seat of Ross County.

Jacob Shively Riley. To the law as a profession Jacob Shively Riley has given fifteen hard working and earnest years, and has achieved a place of recognized distinction at the bar of Highland County.

Mr. Riley was born near Chillicothe, in Ross County, Ohio, February 4, 1884, representing an old Virginia family. His great-grandfather, Madison Riley, was born in Prince William County, West Virginia, in 1776, and died in 1867. His wife, Mary Madison, was born in Prince William County in 1779, and died at Parkersburg, West Virginia, in 1820. Their son, Joshua Riley, was born in Prince William County, September 1, 1805, and died in Wood County, West Virginia, in 1864, being buried in Jackson County, Ohio. He married Sarah Louther, who was born in Wood County, West Virginia, April 12, 1806, and died July 2, 1872. The father of the Greenfield attorney was David Brainard Riley, who was born in Wood County, West Virginia, April 6, 1845, spent some of his life in Ohio, but died at Frankfort, West Virginia, November 18, 1898, and was buried in the Baptist Cemetery there. He married Hildah Ann Robinson, who was born in Wetzell County, West Virginia.

Jacob Shively Riley attended the public schools at Chillicothe, had private tutors, and between times worked on farms. At fifteen he taught a common school at Bourneville, Ohio. At nineteen he was elected principal of that school, and he continued his service as an educator until 1908.

While he had no opportunity to attend college, Mr. Riley possessed the primary qualifications of a scholar, and a good memory and diligence and application to his daily program of study has made him the equal of many a college trained lawyer. He stood a successful examination for the bar at Columbus in 1909, and since then he has been engaged in a general practice at Greenfield. He has a very complete law library and has shown great skill in handling the daily problems of litigation presented to him. He is a lease owner of valuable oil, gas and coal lands in Jackson and Vinton counties.

Mr. Riley is affiliated with the Masonic Order, the Independent Order of Red Men, the Woodmen of the World, and is a republican. He married at Bourneville, Ohio, September 11, 1909, Miss Maud Kathryn Staats, who was born January 21, 1889, and graduated from the Bourneville High School in 1907. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church. The nine children born to Mr. and Mrs. Riley were: Harold Louis, born in 1910; Fern Kathleen, born in 1911; Rex Ruric, born in 1912; Marguerite Maud, born 1914; Hubert Dale, born 1916; Carleton Hadley, born 1917; Channing Shirley, born 1919; Donald Stanleigh, born 1921; and Herschel Ivan, born in 1922. Their son Hubert Dale died in early childhood. The two oldest are pupils in the McClain High School at Greenfield and the others of school age are in the grades. All of these children were born at Greenfield.

George W. Moore, the vice president and general manager of the Wheeling Iron & Steel Corporation, one of the most important industrial concerns operating at Portsmouth, Scioto County, claims the old Keystone State of the Union as the place of his nativity, his birth having occurred in the City of Reading, Pennsylvania, on the 8th of May, 1886. He is a son of the late Nelson Miles Moore and Margaret (Dunnett) Moore, both likewise natives of Pennsylvania. Nelson M. Moore was a gallant soldier of the Union during the entire period of the Civil war, in which he was a member of the Ninety-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry and participated in many engagements marking the progress of the great conflict. After the war he long continued his associations with the iron and steel industry, in which he served as superintendent of the puddling departments of various large plants in Pennsylvania. Both he and his wife were zealous members of the Baptist Church, and he was affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic. Nelson M. Moore was born February 9, 1843, and died March 25, 1921, his wife having passed away March 28, 1896.

In the high school at Coatsville, Pennsylvania, George W. Moore was graduated as a member of the class of 1904, and there he soon afterward took a position in the iron and steel plant of the firm of Jones & Laughlin. He was in the chemical department of this plant two years, and during his summer vacations in the ensuing two years he gained practical experience in the inspecting and physical testing laboratory. Thereafter he put in two full years in the open hearth and plate mills, and mastered the details of operation in the rolling of steel plates. He then, in 1910, came to Portsmouth and assumed the position of assistant superintendent of the testing and inspecting department of the Portsmouth Steel Company, with which he was thus associated three years. In 1913 he was made superintendent of the same department, and in 1917 he was advanced to the office of assistant general superintendent. In 1919 he entered upon his administration as general superintendent, and in January, 1922, he was elected vice president and general manager of the concern. In 1909 the plant and business of the Portsmouth Steel Company were purchased by the Whitaker-Glessner interests, but

operations were continued under the original title until 1914, when the name was changed to the Whitaker-Glessner Steel Company. In 1921 was effected a merger of the Wheeling Iron & Steel Company, the Whitaker-Glessner Steel Company and the LaBelle Iron Works of Steubenville, Ohio. On the 1st of January, 1923, all of these interests came to be operative under the present title of the Wheeling Iron & Steel Corporation of Wheeling, West Virginia, Mr. Moore being vice president of this important corporation and general manager of its Portsmouth plant, which is one of the largest of its kind in the United States. When Mr. Moore came to Portsmouth this steel plant retained about 500 employes, and the working corps now numbers more than 5,000 persons.

Mr. Moore is a loyal and vital member of the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce and the local Rotary Club, is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a republican in political adherency, and his religious faith is that of the Presbyterian Church. He is a popular member of the Portsmouth Country Club and the Rose Ridge Country Club, at the fine clubhouse of which latter organization he maintains his home, his name being still enrolled on the roster of eligible bachelors in Scioto County. He is a member of the American Iron & Steel Institute, the American Society of Testing Material, and the American Association of Steel Manufacturers. He now has authoritative status in his chosen vocation, and has worked his way up from the bottom in the steel industry. Mr. Moore is a scion of staunch Scotch and English ancestry, his paternal grandparents having been Nelson Miles Moore and Margaret Moore, and his maternal grandfather having been Robert Dunnett. Both families were early founded in Pennsylvania.

General George Olender Pence, former state senator and for many years successfully identified with Highland County's agricultural and business life, represents a family that has been identified with this section of Ohio since very earliest pioneer times.

He was born in Highland County, May 6, 1879. His great-grandfather, Henry Pence, a native of Virginia, where he was born in 1790, came as a pioneer into Ohio and spent many years of industrial and useful life in Highland County, where he was buried. He married Catherine Lyman, who was born in Virginia, in 1795. Their son, George Pence, was born in Highland County, February 28, 1816, spent his career as a farmer, and died in 1900, at the age of eighty-four. He married Catherine Wilkins, who was born at Hillsboro, Ohio, in 1818, and died and was buried there at the age of seventy-eight.

Wesley Pence, father of Senator Pence, was born in Highland County, April 13, 1842, and as a youth enlisted and saw active service as a Union soldier at the time of the Civil war. He was with Company A of the Eighty-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry until discharged in 1864 on account of phyical disabilities. As soon as he recovered he reenlisted in Company A of the One Hundred and Fiftieth Ohio Regiment of National Guards. He saw some active service in the Kentucky campaign, and after the war devoted his years to farming. He died November 11, 1906, and is buried at Hillsboro. Wesley Pence married in 1865 Miss Susannah Josephine Duckwell at Hillsboro.

Their son, General George Olender Pence, was reared on his father's farm and acquired his education in country schools, though as a man of contact with outside affairs he has found regular opportunities to increase his knowledge and ability by observation and study. He worked on his father's farm as a boy, and from 1898 until 1922 he independently managed one of his father's farms. When he gave up farming as his regular business in 1922 he became associated with his brother, W. H. Pence, in the bottling business at Hilsboro under the name of the Hillsboro Bottling Works. They have an extensive demand for their product, shipping by automobile trucks and otherwise to localities in adjoining counties.

Mr. Pence is a York Rite and Scottish Rite Mason, belongs to the Mystic Shrine and the Eastern Star, is also affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Modern Woodmen of America. He is a trustee of the Reformed Church and superintendent of the Sunday school.

Mr. Pence is owner of several farms in Highland County and has considerable residential property in Hillsboro. In politics he has always acted as a republican, and in 1911 was candidate and elected to the office of township trustee. In 1912 he became a candidate for the Ohio Legislature, being elected and entering upon his duties January 1, 1913. In 1920 he was a successful candidate for the Ohio State Senate to represent the Fifth and Sixth districts, and while in the Senate was author of several bills, being particularly known as the author of Senate Bill No. 10 to regulate public utilities. Prior to his election as state senator the one term rule existed in the Fifth and Sixth districts, but in spite of that rule he was chosen by a majority of over 1,200.

On October 8, 1900, Mr. Pence married Miss Edith Marie Fawley, who was born in Highland County in 1880 and was educated in the common schools and in Hillsboro College. Her father was a farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Pence have two sons: Gerald LeRow, born February 6, 1906, was educated in the public schools, graduating from the Hillsboro High School in 1923, and is now attending Denison University at Granville, Ohio. At the university he is a Kappa Sigma and has chosen a career as a civil engineer. The second son, Wesley Ralph, born in Highland County, January 3, 1909, is attending high school at Hillsboro.

Charles E. Hansell, manager of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, has an extended experience in the business life of the city before taking his responsible position with the organization of business men designed to promote the general interests of the city.

Mr. Hansell was born at Leesburg, Ohio, April 4, 1885, son of George E. and Laura A. (Duff) Hansell, and grandson of John and Emma Hansell, and John and Ella Duff. John Hansell moved out of old Virginia with an ox team, and as a young man settled near Hillsboro, Ohio, all his children being born in this state, and subsequently he went to Des Moines, Iowa. His son, George E. Hansell, subsequently returned to Ohio from Des Moines, and spent his active life in the grocery business. He was a Methodist, and was very much devoted to home and family. He died January 18, 1920, and his widow is still living. Their children were: Nellie, who married C. W. Cook; Lillian, who married Paul C. Dalbey, and has one child; Marie, who became the wife of Clifford Straub, and has two children; Charles E.; Bessie, who married Lee Parrett; and LeRoy H., who married Geraldine McMillan.

Charles E. Hansell attended district schools, and when he was thirteen years of age was earning his living at the laborious occupation of firing three boilers for the Waddell Woodenware Works at Green-

field. He remained there a year and a half, and was then taken into the office of E. L. McClain, the leading manufacturer at Greenfield, doing clerical work for him three years. While there he attended night classes at the Greenfield Business College, and subsequently coming to Springfield was for four years bookkeeper in the Springfield Merchandising Company, following which he was in the service of the American Seed Machine Company from 1906 to 1916, being an accountant in the legal department. He then became auditor for the Kelley Motor Truck Company, and since 1920 has been manager of the Chamber of Commerce. During the World war he was put in the fourth class. He is also a member of the Rotary Club. Mr. Hansell married January 20, 1915, at Springfield, Miss Ruie Day Hoppes, daughter of Josephus F. Hoppes, who is superintendent of the Hoppes Manufacturing Plant at Springfield. Mrs. Hansell's mother died in 1913. There is one other child, Howard Hoppes, who with his wife, Iva, has five children.

Charles Behringer has with other members of his family been an important contributing factor to the commercial and industrial growth of the City of Defiance. He has been in business there for over forty years.

Mr. Beringer was born at Defiance, February 4, 1857, son of Adam and Maria (Bentz) Behringer. His parents were natives of Germany, his father born in 1833 and his mother in 1834. They came to this country about the time they were grown, were married in New Jersey, and in 1856 settled at Defiance, Ohio. Adam Behringer was a wagon maker by trade, and continued the manufacture of wagons at Defiance the rest of his life. He had the German characteristics of resourcefulness and thrift and provided well for his family. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. Of the four children born to the parents one died in infancy, and the three living are: Charles; Andrew, who is floor manager of the Defiance Grocery Company; and Adam C. L., superintendent of the Defiance Box Company.

Charles Behringer was educated in the public schools until he was fourteen years of age, and he then began an apprenticeship in his father's wagon factory. He was identified with wagon manufacturing for a number of years, and he made the last Turnbull wagons made in Defiance. He has been one of the men responsible for the development of the Defiance Grocery Company, of which he is vice president.

He married Miss Josephine Bernardine, of Antwerp, Ohio, who died in 1906. There is one surviving child, Grover F., who is a graduate of the Defiance High School, and is an expert machinist, now general superintendent of the American Pressed Steel Company of Defiance.

Mr. Behringer is a democrat in politics. He served as a cemetery trustee for seven years, and was one of the first members of the Public Service Commission. In 1899 he was elected county commissioner, taking office in 1900, and was on the board for six years.

Fred S. Stever, former president of the Ohio Bankers' Association, is president of the Merchants National Bank of Defiance, and for a number of years has been one of the most influential citizens of his community and state.

A native of Defiance County, he was born a farmer's son in Tiffin Township, September 26, 1867. His parents were John G. and Sarah (Toberen) Stever. His father was born in Germany, December 27, 1838, and was brought to the United States at the age of nine years and grew up on the Stever farm in Tiffin Township, where he spent practically all his life. His wife was born in Tiffin Township, April 24, 1839. Both were educated in public schools, and on June 8, 1858, were married, and thereafter for over fifty years they lived on the same farm. After selling the old homestead in 1915 they moved to a village and are now retired. Both are active members of the German Methodist Church and the father is a democrat.

Fred S. Stever spent his boyhood on the farm. After the public schools he entered Baldwin University near Cleveland, and graduated with the degree Civil Engineer. For a time he was with the engineering department of the Great Northern Railroad, with headquarters at Spokane, Washington. In 1892, after his return to Defiance, he bought an insurance business long known as the Stever Brothers' Fire Insurance Agency, and is still a half owner of that properous business. In 1893 he was elected county surveyor of Defiance County, and held the office four years.

In the meantime Mr. Stever had become financially interested in the Merchants National Bank, and after leaving the office of county surveyor was elected its cashier. On January 1, 1923, he was made president, and is the executive officer of the bank. In 1915 he assisted in organizing the Farmers' Savings & Loan Association, of which he is president. He was elected president of the Ohio Bankers' Association in 1920. In June, 1923, he was elected a representative to the American Bankers' Association for a term of three years.

Mr. Stever married Miss Freda Shellman, of Defiance, on June 23, 1897. He is a graduate of the Defiance High School. Four children were born to their marriage; Frederick dying at the age of seventeen and Grace at the age of five. Bertha, a graduate of high school, is now assistant trust officer of the Commercial Savings Bank & Trust Company of Toledo. The younger daughter, Alys, is eleven years old and attending public schools. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Stever is a Knight Templar Mason, being a past eminent commander of Defiance Commandery. He belongs to the Scottish Rite Consistory in the Valley of Toledo, and Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Toledo. Both he and his wife are members of the Eastern Star, of which he is a past worthy patron and she past worthy matron. Mr. Stever is a democrat.

He has been a prominent member of the Ohio Sportsmen's League, of which he is a director and treasurer. This league has had a great deal of influence in changing the state policy regarding the conservation of game and providing regulations for fishing and hunting. Through this organization Mr. Stever secured a fish hatchery and a community picnic grove of twenty-seven acres.

Frank J. Papenhagen. The diversity of his business connections gives Frank J. Papenhagen a place of front rank among the Defiance business men and citizens. In that city he has made progress from humble beginnings as proprietor of a small job printing plant until he is now general manager and one of the owners of the Defiance Printing & Engraving Company. He is an executive in a number of other organizations.

Mr. Papenhagen was born in the Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, Germany, November 24, 1872, son of Joseph and Wilhelmine (Westendorf) Papenhagen. He spent the first seventeen years of

his life in Germany, being educated in private schools and beginning an apprenticeship at the printer's trade. Coming to America in 1889 he found employment as a compositor with the German Express at Toledo. In 1893 he came to Defiance, and for a time was employed by John A. Deindoerfer on the German Herold.

In August, 1897, with a partner, G. C. Deindoerfer, Mr. Papenhagen started the modest business establishment that is the foundation of the present Defiance Printing & Engraving Company. The business was later incorporated, and it is now housed in a home of its own and has every mechanical facility for printing of a high order. Under the personal supervision and expert ability of Mr. Papenhagen the business is one of the leaders of the kind in Northwestern Ohio. The officers of the company are: W. S. Powell, president; John A. Eck, vice president; Frank J. Papenhagen, general manager and secretary; and W. A. Snider, treasurer. Mr. Papenhagen is also a director in the Northwestern Savings & Loan Company, is president of the Defiance Motor Truck Company, is vice president of the Defiance Home Building Company, and is a director in the American Steel Package Company, the Defiance Dairy Products Company, and the Defiance Gas & Electric Company.

In 1895 he married Miss Winifred A. Klingler, of Upper Sandusky, Ohio. They have two talented children. The son, Frank W., after graduating from high school entered Ohio State University, where he completed the work in the School of Journalism and Art, and is now associated with the Defiance Dairy Products Company. The daughter, Edna M., is a graduate of the Ward-Belmont School for Girls at Nashville, Tennessee, and since December, 1923, the wife of Robert W. Emery.

Mr. Papenhagen is a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church of Defiance. He has filled all the chairs in the York Rite bodies of Masonry at Defiance, and is a member of the Valley of Toledo Scottish Rite Consistory and Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is an independent in politics, and is a member of the Rotary Club and Defiance Club.

Newt Bronson, former county clerk of Defiance County, has been prominently identified with the insurance and real estate business in the City of Defiance since early manhood.

He was born in Defiance, May 12, 1876, son of Charles E. and Mary A. (Thacker) Bronson. His father was born at Defiance, March 10, 1850, and during his early life was a school teacher. He studied law, was admitted to the bar, and served three terms as prosecuting attorney. At the time of his death, on May 15, 1922, he was dean of the Defiance County Bar. He was an active democrat in politics. Mary (Thacker) Bronson is also a native of Ohio, and is still living. There were three children. One son, Edward S., is a member of the firm of Bronson Real Estate Exchange, a business that was founded in 1871 by the late Charles E. Bronson and has continued in service without interruption for over half a century. Charles E., Jr., passed away in infancy.

Newt Bronson was reared in Defiance and attended the public schools and the Toledo Business College. As a young man he joined his father's real estate business, and has continued it uninterruptedly except for such time as he has given to public affairs. He has been a leader in the democratic party of Defiance County. In addition to his service for three terms as county clerk, he received the nomination for Congress to represent the Fifth Ohio District, but was defeated in the landslide in 1920. He is the present representative of his district of the State Central Committee, and is also a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee, being the only one on both committees in the state. He was a delegate to the National Convention which nominated Davis for President.

November 20, 1902, Mr. Bronson married Irene DeVaux, of Defiance. She is a graduate of the Defiance High School. They have a family of five children: Lillian G., born April 10, 1904, a graduate of the Defiance High School and a teacher in the grammar schools of Defiance; Mary A., born July 12, 1907; Ruth O., born February 9, 1912; Richard N., born January 1, 1914; and John William, born April 25, 1920. Mrs. Bronson is a member of the Catholic Church. Mr. Bronson served in 1919-20 as exalted ruler of the Local Lodge of Elks, and is now a trustee of the order. He is a member of the National Union Insurance Society, and for the past twelve years has been its financial secretary.

Lee O. Tustison, a teacher in his early years, has become best known in the newspaper field, and is the present general manager and publisher of the Crescent News at Defiance.

He was born in Dekalb County, Indiana, August 22, 1881, son of Charles and Flora (Scholes) Tustison. His parents were born in Dekalb County. His mother died June 24, 1922, and his father lives at Defiance. They were educated in the public schools of Indiana, were members of the Christian Church, and democrats in politics. The two sons in the family are Lee O. and Earl W.

Lee O. Tustison grew up on a farm near St. Joe, in Dekalb County, attended public schools there, and is a graduate of the St. Joe High School. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the Tri-State Normal College of Angola, Indiana. Mr. Tustison's experience as a teacher covers a period of seven years, and he was both in grade and high school work. His first connection with the newspaper business was as advertising manager, and he was connected for a time with the Whitley County News, the Herald, Denison, Texas, and the Gazette at Sterling, Illinois. Leaving there he came to Defiance County, Ohio, and bought the Hicksville News and later the controlling interest in the Defiance Crescent News.

Mr. Tustison married Miss Mae Hamilton, of St. Joe, Indiana. She is a graduate with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Indiana University, and before her marriage was a teacher of history and literature in the public schools of her native state. Mr. and Mrs. Tustison have one son, Keith, born December 24, 1915. The family are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Defiance, and Mr. Tustison is one of the Board of Elders. He is a past noble grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has sat in the Grand Lodge of the Order in Indiana, and is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

John C. Marlatt, an ex-service man, one of the prominent younger business men and citizens of Defiance, is an ex-mayor of that city.

He was born in Auglaize County, Ohio, May 25, 1890, son of Jacob and Malinda (Leethy) Marlatt. His father was a native of Marietta, Ohio, was reared there and at Piqua, and in 1861 enlisted as a Union soldier and served until the close of the struggle. His wife was reared in Auglaize County. They were engaged in farming there until 1895, when they moved to Lima, where Jacob Marlatt was employed by the Solar Refinery until his death in 1906. His

wife died about 1896. They were members of the Presbyterian Church, fraternally he was a Mason, and was a republican in politics. There was a family of eight children: Lawrence, Katie and Lillie (twins), Elisha, William, Harvey, John and Robert.

John C. Marlatt received his early education in the schools of Lima, Xenia and Newark, and for four years attended Berea College in Kentucky, paying his own expenses while there. Returning to Lima, he soon afterward moved to Defiance, in November, 1914, and has since been engaged in business here. He is a member of the firm Krull-Marlatt Company.

In May, 1918, Mr. Marlatt enlisted in the navy, and served until honorably discharged in March, 1919. He is active in a very successful insurance business. Since the war he has been identified with the Ohio National Guard and is now captain of the Howitzer Company of the One Hundred and Forty-eighth Infantry.

Mr. Marlatt was elected mayor of the City of Defiance in November, 1922. He is a republican in politics, is a member of the American Legion, belongs to the Presbyterian Church, is a past master of the Masonic Lodge, and member of the Royal Arch Chapter, Council and Knights Templar Commandery. He married Miss Viola Click, of Berea, Kentucky. She graduated Bachelor of Arts from Berea College in that state, and did post-graduate work in Defiance College and holds the Master of Arts degree from the Ohio State University.

Edward Leslie Bowsher, superintendent of the Wauseon City schools, is one of the younger men in the educational leadership of Ohio, and so far has devoted all his active years to qualifying himself in higher schools or the practical work of teaching and school administration.

He was born near Cridesville, Ohio, on a farm, September 30, 1890, son of Irvin and Clara (Burke) Bowsher. His father was born at Elida, in Allen County, Ohio, November 22, 1863, and his mother was born on a farm in Auglaize County, October 4, 1867. They were educated in district schools, and after their marriage settled on a farm in Allen County and later moved to Auglaize County. The father was a Lutheran and a democrat and his wife, a Methodist. Their two children are Edward Leslie and Crystal, the latter a graduate of the Cridersville High School.

Edward L. Bowsher attended school at Cridersville, graduated from high school at Wapokaneta, and received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Defiance College. He did one year of special work in Ohio State University, studied law in Ohio Northern University and took post-graduate work in the University of Michigan. In the meantime he was teaching, and his higher education was paid for through his own earnings. He taught in district schools a year, for four years was superintendent of the Waynesfield School, for six years was superintendent at Waverly, and in 1920 entered upon his duties as superintendent of the city schools at Wauseon.

Mr. Bowsher married Miss Norma Pepple, of Wapokaneta, a graduate of the high school of that city. She was especially educated in music, and for a time taught that subject. They have three children, Janice, a freshman in high school; Robert, in the sixth grade, and Ruth O., in the third grade of the public schools of Wauseon. Mr. Bowsher and family are members of the Methodist Church. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Wauseon Chapter No. 111, Royal Arch Masons, and is worthy patron of Fulton Chapter No. 67, Eastern Star. He also belongs to the Modern Woodmen of America, is a democrat, is president of the Local Exchange Club of Wauseon, and is teacher of the Men's Bible Class in the Methodist Sunday School.

A. M. Kruse has for many years been identified with the business interests at Defiance, where he is a manufacturer of sheet metal goods.

He was born in the City of Toledo, Ohio, in February, 1879, son of Martin and Louise (Sable) Kruse. His father was a native of Alsace and his mother of a German province, and they were married in Toledo after coming to the United States. The mother is still living in Toledo. They were active members of the Lutheran Church.

A. M. Kruse grew up at Toledo, attending the public schools there, and he learned the trade of mechanic with the Toledo Tool & Machine Company. In 1903, twenty years ago, he came to Defiance, and has built up a prosperous business as a sheet metal goods manufacturer.

Mr. Kruse is married but has no children. He is a member of all the Masonic bodies of the York Rite at Defiance and the Scottish Rite bodies at Toledo. He is also affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in politics is an independent.

Maj. Albert B. DeKay, who for many years was identified with the Ohio National Guard and was overseas on military duty in the World war, is the present postmaster of Defiance, and has been active in business and public affairs in this section of the state.

He was born in Cattaraugus County, New York, August 5, 1867, son of Charles M. and Elizabeth (McElhenney) DeKay. His father was born in the same county, December 26, 1841, and his mother in Allegany County, New York. They were reared on farms, educated in public schools, and were married in New York State. Charles M. DeKay gave his attention to his farming interests until 1876, when he moved to Bradford, Pennsylvania, and became a blacksmith in the oil fields. In 1881 he located at Olean, New York, and followed his trade and also looked after his extensive farming interests. He was a democrat in politics and a member of the Baptist Church. There were three sons: Albert B.; Harry M., a retired resident of New York State; and O. M., of Defiance, Ohio.

Albert B. DeKay spent the first ten years of his life on the home farm in New York, and then went with his parents to Bradford, Pennsylvania, where he continued his education in the public and high schools. He graduated from high school at Olean, New York, in 1885, and finished his education in Cornell University. Major DeKay was a prominent athlete in his younger years, and he followed professional baseball in the New York State League until 1902. In the meantime, beginning in 1889, he was in the service of the Erie Railroad Company at Olean, at first in the car service and later as chief clerk in the freight office. In March, 1887, he joined the Forty-third Separate Company, Olean, New York, served until April, 1898; was mustered into the Federal Service, Company I, Third Battalion, was discharged in November, 1898; reenlisted in the Forty-third Separate Company at Olean, New York, and serving until July, 1902, when he was discharged on account of removal from state. In June, 1902, Mr. DeKay came to Defiance, Ohio, and for several years represented a business house over the Northwest Ohio counties. He also conducted a tobacco and cigar store. In 1904 he organized a local company of the National Guard, and as its captain he went to the Mexican border on June

19, 1916, and remained on duty there until March 22, 1917, when his company was ordered to Fort Riley, Kansas, for muster out. Early in the World war he was on guard duty at the munition plant at Cleveland, and on August 25, 1917, was ordered to Camp Sheridan, Alabama, for additional training. He remained there until March, 1918, when he was sent to Camp Dix, New Jersey, and on June 20, 1918, embarked for overseas, arriving at Brest, France, July 4, 1918. His company was assigned duty in the St. Mihiel campaign, and he was next transferred to the general headquarters at Chaumont, where he had charge of the officers' qualification cards. On December 6, 1918, he was sent to the First Army Headquarters, and in January, 1919, was detailed for other duty. On August 10, 1919, he sailed from Brest, landing at New York, August 21, 1919, and was mustered out at Camp Sherman, Ohio, on September 6.

In January, 1920, Major DeKay organized a company for the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Ohio Infantry, and became its company commander. He was promoted to major, and resigned with that rank. Soon after the war he was appointed deputy county treasurer of Defiance County, and served until August 25, 1923, when he resigned to become postmaster of Defiance.

In 1897 Major DeKay married Miss Minnie J. Simpson. They have one daughter, Marion E., born June 15, 1901. She is a graduate of high school, attended Defiance College two years and finished her education in the Lake Erie College at Painsville, Ohio. Major DeKay and family are members of the Episcopal Church. He is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason in the Valley of Toledo Consistory, and from June, 1920, to June, 1921, was eminent commander of Defiance Commandery No. 30, Knights Templar. He is also affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge No. 147. He is a past commander of the local post of the American Legion, and has been chairman of the Republican Central Committee and the Republican County Committee.

John Summerfield Cherrington, M. D. A modern private hospital that is the best institution of the kind in Logan is the Cherrington Hospital, founded and owned by two brothers, both very able surgeons, Dr. John Summerfield Cherrington and Dr. Murat Halstead Cherrington. In 1908 Doctors Cherrington purchased the old Wright home, remodeled it, and by additions made it a thoroughly up-to-date hospital with all equipments and facilities.

Dr. John S. Cherrington was born at Warsaw, in Benton County, Missouri, May 2, 1872, son of John Summerfield and Jennie (Owen) Cherrington. His parents were both natives of Gallia County, Ohio. His father was a Union soldier in the Civil war, being under General Thomas at the battle of Nashville. Soon after the war he moved out to Benton County, Missouri, but in 1874 returned to Gallia County. He was a farmer, was also county surveyor, and a man of prominence in his community. He was perhaps best known as a singing teacher. He frequently conducted as many as seven singing classes, attending them in rotation. He was one of the old time teachers who taught geography in song. He was also very religious and had charge of the song service of many Methodist revivals. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was a republican in politics, as were all the numerous members of the Cherrington family in Springfield Township of Gallia County. John S. Cherrington, Sr., died in 1916, at the age of eighty-one. His widow is now eighty years of age and lives with his daughter at Tampa, Florida. They had eight children, the two sons being John Summerfield and Murat Halstead, the latter named in honor of the famous New York editor.

Dr. John S. Cherrington while a boy in Gallia County was an eager participant in all the activities of his environment. He played ball, enjoyed wrestling matches, drove a yoke of oxen working in the fields, but all the time his purpose was fixed upon a medical career, and through his own earnings he paid for his higher education. He attended school at Bidwell, near his old home in Gallia County, and later the Ewing Academy. Soon afterward he was appointed an attendant at the Hospital of the Insane at Athens, remaining there two years and twelve days. The latter half of that time he also carried on the study of medicine under Dr. O. W. Wood, and from Athens he enrolled as a medical student in Ohio State University, where he was graduated a Doctor of Medicine, April 6, 1897. Since then he has perfected his knowledge and skill in surgery by experience and by extended courses of study elsewhere. He did post-graduate work in surgery at the Royal Infirmary at Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1909, worked three consecutive years at Harvard University Medical School and two years at Johns Hopkins University Hospital, and in 1912 attended the New York Post Graduate College of Medicine. After graduating at Ohio State he began practice at Bidwell, and had an extensive general country practice there for eleven years. He then joined his brother at Logan, his brother having located there three years earlier, and they organized and established their private hospital. Nearly all their time is devoted to the hospital and to their large surgical practice.

Dr. John S. Cherrington is a member of the County, Ohio State and American Medical associations, and was the first president of the Hocking County Medical Society, of which his brother, Dr. M. H., is now secretary. Dr. J. S. Cherrington is a Methodist, a republican and a member of the Knights of Pythias. His grandmother was a sister of Nancy Hanks, the mother of Abraham Lincoln. John S. Cherrington married in 1897 Genevieve Watts, daughter of J. C. Watts, of Gallia County. She died in 1902, leaving two sons, Owen and Homer. In 1914 Doctor Cherrington married Miss Irene I. Barker, daughter of Edwin Barker, of Logan.

Dr. Murat Halstead Cherrington was born in Gallia County, in 1876, attended the common schools, the Rio Grande College and graduated from the Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, in 1903. He did post-graduate work in surgery at the New York Post-Graduate College in 1911, 1912 and 1913, and in the Mayo Brothers Clinic in 1923. For fifteen months he practiced at Tupper Plains in Meigs County, and since 1904 has been in Logan. Recognizing the splendid opening for a private hospital, he asked his brother, Dr. John S., to join him, and soon afterward they established the Cherrington Hospital. Dr. M. H. Cherrington married Miss Leila Wilcox, of Columbus, in the year 1901. They are Methodists. While in college Dr. M. H. Cherrington played football and enjoyed the distinction of being chosen the greatest halfback of the middle west by the critics of that day.

Harry S. Core, who is engaged in the practice of law at Columbus Grove, Putman County, and whose professional activities have included former service as prosecuting atorney of his native county, was born on a farm two miles east of Columbus Grove, and the date of his nativity was September 1, 1873. He is a son of David and Rebecca (Layton)

Core, both natives of Casville, West Virginia, where the former was born May 9, 1840, and the latter February 19, 1844. The parents were educated in private schools of West Virginia, which was at that time still a part of the mother state of Virginia, and after their marriage they settled on a farm in West Virginia, where they remained three years. They then came to Putnam County, Ohio, and settled on the farm which was the birthplace of their son Harry S. There they continued to reside until 1900, when they left the old homestead and moved to Columbus Grove, where Mrs. Core still resides, her husband having here died on the 24th of August, 1921, as one of the venerable and highly honored citizens of Putnam County. He was a republican in politics, and a member of the Presbyterian Church, as is also his widow. Of the eleven children eight are living: Olive is the wife of Daniel Tate; George W. is vice president of the Peoples Bank of Columbus Grove; Layton G. is a farmer in Riley Township, this county; Charles C. has the active management of the old home farm; Fannie is the wife of Lindsley Morris, a farmer southeast of Columbus Grove; Harry S., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; Jacob G. is an automobile salesman at Columbus Grove; and Bert V. is engaged in farm enterprise in Putnam County.

Harry S. Core was reared on the home farm and attended the district schools until he had attained to the age of sixteen years. In 1890 he was a student in Crawford College, and thereafter he attended the Tri-State Normal School at Angola, Indiana. He gave four years of successful service as a teacher in the district schools, and advanced his academic education by attending the Northern Ohio Normal School at Ada. In preparing himself for his chosen profession he was for some time a student in the law department of the Ohio State University and in 1902 he passed the examination which gained him admission to the bar of his native state. He has since been established in general practice at Columbus Grove save for the period of his effective service as prosecuting attorney of the county, an office which he held two terms—1916-1921. In the line of his profession he has served also as city solicitor of Columbus Grove for twenty years. He is a staunch advocate of the principles of the democratic party, and has been influential in its councils and campaign work in Putnam County. He is a past chancellor of the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias, and is affiliated also with the Modern Woodmen of America and the Knights of the Maccabees.

In March, 1906, Mr. Core wedded Miss Anna Baxter, of Columbus Grove, and they have eight children, namely: William, Imogene, James, Harriet, Richard, David, Maurice and Medway.

A. D. Baker is one of the men of mechanical genius for whom the State of Ohio is noted. He has perfected a number of devices and processes of unusual interest and value in the world of mechanics. He is particularly well known as patentee of the Baker Locomotive Valve Gear.

Mr. Baker is prominently identified with the commercial interests of Swanton, Ohio, where he resides. He was born in Knox County, Ohio, in 1861. Growing up on a farm, he attended common schools, and for a time lived in Illinois. On returning to Ohio he located in Richland County, and in 1876 moved to Lucas County, establishing his home near Swanton. He erected a machine shop and did general machine repairing for a number of years.

His first important invention was a traction engine valve gear in 1907. It came into general use and made him a great deal of money. Later he invented the locomotive valve gear, a still more serviceable invention. Both these gears are manufactured by the Pilliod Company at Swanton. Mr. Baker and his son have patents on a steam tractor, which has demonstrated the possibility of being operated at a cost much cheaper than gas engines.

Mr. Baker married Miss Ella Berkeybile, of Swanton. Their son, Louis, is a natural mechanic and finished his technical and scientific education in Ohio State University and is now associated with his father in business. Mrs. Baker is a member of the Missionary Baptist Church. He is a republican in politics.

Mr. Baker is a director of the Farmers and Merchants Deposit Company at Swanton, and is vice president of the A. D. Baker & Company, Incorporated, the president being John Christman and the secretary, Charles Christman, while the directors are Motz Lachbiehler, John Rohbasser, A. D. and L. R. Baker, Fred E. Pilliod, Mr. Searles and Mr. Reynolds. Mr. Baker is also a director in the Swanton Milling & Elevator Company, and is director and vice president of the Pilliod Company.

Paul J. Alspaugh, M. D. In his particular field of practice, tending toward special treatment of brain and nerve diseases, Dr. Paul J. Alspaugh, of New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas County, has gained well-merited distinction and reputation. His experience in this line has covered a period of eighteen years, during which he has occupied positions which have given him specialized first-hand knowledge of these disorders, and considerable research, investigation and experiments have furthered his equipment for his specialty.

Doctor Alspaugh was born on a farm in Fairfield County, Ohio, December 23, 1878, and is a son of H. Edward and Sarah S. (Courtright) Alspaugh, who were born and reared in the same community and belonged to old and highly respected families of Fairfield County. The father was a son of Paul and Lavina (Weiser) Alspaugh, and they, too, were born and reared in Fairfield County. In the early days three Alspaugh brothers came from Somerset County, Pennsylvania, and in 1805 settled in Fairfield County, one of these being the great-grandfather of Doctor Alspaugh. They were of German lineage as were the Weiser family. Sarah S. (Courtright) Alspaugh was a daughter of John Courtright, commonly known as "Elder" John Courtright, as he was an elder in the Presbyterian Church and a prominent churchman. He was born in Fairfield County, and his father, Jesse Courtright, was a pioneer settler of that county, where he bought much land from the Indians. It has been handed down as a family tradition that the largest sum ever paid an Indian was a quarter of a dollar. Jesse Courtright built a brick house and barn at a very early date in the history of the county, and both became pioneer landmarks, the house still standing. The barn attracted more attention than the house, as it was a very rare thing to build a barn of brick, and it was known far and near as "the brick barn" in Fairfield County. The Courtrights are descendants of a Pilgrim progenitor in America, who came over among the colonists on the Mayflower.

Paul J. Alspaugh, the only son of his parents, but with two sisters, was reared on the home farm and received his early education in the rural schools, following which he pursued a course at the Lithopolis High School, from which he was duly graduated. He commenced his career as a teacher in the country schools, where he taught for two years, and then was a student for one year at Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. Entering then Starling Med-

ical College at Columbus, he completed the prescribed course and graduated therefrom in 1906. In that same year he became an assistant physician on the medical staff of the State Insane Hospital at Massillon, and remained there for thirteen years, being first assistant for the last six years of the period. In 1919 Doctor Alspaugh resigned his position at that institution and located at New Philadelphia, where he has since been in the general practice of his profession, tending toward special treatment of brain and nerve diseases. He is a member of the Tuscarawas County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the American Psychiatric Association. He is a Royal Arch Mason, and in politics maintains an independent attitude.

In June, 1919, Doctor Alspaugh was united in marriage with Miss Martha McCoy, who was born and reared in Harrison County, Ohio, and for several years was an attending nurse at the State Hospital at Massillon.

Joseph P. Cain has proved a versatile and popular factor in the development and conducting of Ohio summer resorts, and he has achieved special success in his active management of hotels and cottages at beautiful Mercelina Park on Grand Lake at Celina, Mercer County. He has developed in this magnificent resort park the new addition known as Pullman Bay. This splendid reservoir of water covers 17,500 acres of land, was artificially created for public utility and resort purposes, and it may well be said that Grand Lake is one of the great and most popular of the manifold summer resorts of the Buckeye State. Mr. Cain is manager of the Mercelina Park Hotel, the Oaks Hotel and of the fine array of attractive and well equipped cottages which he has provided at the Pullman Bay annex to Mercelina Park. Adequate description of this resort and its manifold provisions and attractions may be had upon application to Mr. Cain, through correspondence or other mediums, his advertising literature giving all requisite information concerning hotel and cottage rates.

Mr. Cain was born at Union City, Darke County, Ohio, in the year 1871, and is a son of the late John and Mary Cain, his father having been engaged in the grocery business at Union City at the time of his death. After his graduation from the Union City High School Mr. Cain devoted twelve years to the retail grocery business, and during the ensuing three years he conducted an undertaking business and livery at Union City. About twenty years ago Mr. Cain initiated his association with summer resort enterprise by opening a beautiful resort on Indian Lake. He conducted this popular resort with unqualified success for the long period of sixteen years. He then sold the property and business and came to Celina, Mercer County, where, in February, 1921, he opened Mercelina Park, with sixteen cottages. In 1924 he here opened the modern Mercelina Hotel, which has twenty guest rooms and the beautiful dining room of which is 50 by 70 feet in dimensions. The year 1924 records also the opening by him of the ten cottages of Pullman Bay Park, and these attractive cottages are constructed from Pullman railway cars which he purchased from the Pullman Company. The present year marks also the assumption by Mr. Cain of the management of the Oaks Hotel, on the south side of the lake, where he has also a number of cottages. He controls one of the finest bathing beaches on the lake, this being on an island in the middle of the great reservoir. Boating and fishing facilities are of the best order, and Mr. Cain spares no expense and effort in providing the best of accommodations and service to his guests in both hotels and cottages. He has available two motor boats, with accommodations for twenty-seven and twenty-five passengers respectively, and his battery of row boats numbers about fifty.

Mr. Cain is an active member of the Kiwanis Club of Celina, he and his wife are communicants of the Catholic Church, and he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus.

In the year 1902 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Cain and Miss Margaret Schnell, daughter of John and Margaret Schnell, of Union City, this state, where she was reared and educated and where she was graduated from high school. Mrs. Cain proves an able coadjutor of her husband in the management of his resort enterprise, and her popularity is of unequivocal order. Mrs. Cain takes lively interest and part in outdoor sports, and for her exclusive equestrian use keeps a fine Arabian-bred horse. The business of Mr. Cain has so expanded in scope that he has found it expedient to retain for the management of the Mercelina Hotel for the season of 1924 his nephew, Leo Durben.

William C. Newman after leaving school began his business career as clerk in a drug store, subsequently graduated in pharmacy, and for nearly a quarter of a century has been proprietor of the leading drug business at Sherwood in Defiance County.

Mr. Newman was born in Williams County, Ohio, November 11, 1875, son of Charles F. and Sarah S. (Scott) Newman. His father, a native of Mecklenberg, Germany, was four years of age when his parents came to the United States and established their home in Williams County, Ohio. He was reared there, acquired a district school education, and his wife was a native of Williams County and grew up at Edgerton. After his marriage he located at Edgerton, and for many years was a conductor on the New York Central Railway Lines. After leaving the railroad he followed different employments and for some time was in the real estate business. He is now a resident of Sherwood. While at Edgerton he was affiliated with the Knights of Pythias Lodge.

William C. Newman, only child of his parents, grew up at Edgerton, attended the public schools, and after graduating from high school he went to work as clerk in a local drug store. He was there two years, and for four years was with a drug store at West Unity, Ohio. After this practical training in the drug business he entered the pharmacy department of Ohio Northern University at Ada, graduated, and successfully passed the state examination and was given a license as a registered pharmacist. He then followed his profession one year at Lima, Ohio, and one year at Bryan, and in 1900 removed to Sherwood and bought a stock of drugs and has kept his business growing and prospering ever since.

In 1901 Mr. Newman married Miss Estella Miller, a native of Sherwood. They have three children: Dene, a graduate of the Sherwood High School; Janice, born April 16, 1906, attending high school; and Elsie, born May 2, 1910. Mrs. Newman is a member of the Church of Christ. He is affiliated with Sherwood Lodge No. 620, Free and Accepted Masons, Defiance Commandery, Knights Templar, and in politics is a republican and is a member of the Town Council of Sherwood.

Arthur Slagle, of Greenfield, is one of the Slagle Brothers whose names have become prominently identified with the lumber industry not only in Ohio but in the South and West. The Slagle Brothers are manufacturers of southern lumber, and are distrib-

utors through retail yards over several states, including Ohio. Arthur Slagle is a member of the firm in charge of the business at Greenfield and that vicinity. The Slagle Brothers started life without capital, made their industry and character the chief means of success, and today have high commercial ratings wherever they do business.

Arthur Slagle was born in Ross County, Ohio, May 28, 1874. His father was a farmer, and spent all his life in Ross County, but was buried at Greenfield. The grandfather of Arthur Slagle was Jacob Slagle, who was born in Virginia, in 1804, and spent his last years near Goodhope, Ohio. He married Elizabeth Eakle, who was born in 1804, her father, John Eakle, having been an officer in the War of 1812. The mother of the Slagle Brothers was Jennie Amanda Duff, who was born in Fayette County, Ohio, and died at Grandin, Missouri, in 1902, at the age of forty-nine.

Arthur Slagle after the death of his father was taken out to Southeastern Kansas, and he grew up there, attending school in Chetopa, Labette County, Kansas, and Grandin, Missouri. The Slagle Lumber Company of Greenfield, of which he is general manager, is owned by himself and his brothers, C. E. Slagle of Clarks, Louisiana, and W. C. Slagle of Lima, Ohio. C. E. Slagle is manager of the Louisiana Central Lumber Company, a $300,000.00 corporation, and is also a director of the White Grandin Lumber Company of Slagle, Louisiana, and is interested in the Forest Lumber Company of Oakdale, Louisiana. This company operates retail lumber yards in Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado. The Forest Corporation is capitalized at $1,750,000. The Slagle Brothers also have as additional interests, the Louisiana Saw Mill Company of Glenmora, Louisiana, and the Slagle Lumber Company of Lima, Ohio. Mr. Arthur Slagle is treasurer of the company of Lima, which is capitalized at $250,000 and operates lumber yards throughout Ohio.

Arthur Slagle is a republican in politics. He is affiliated with Greenfield Lodge No. 318, Free and Accepted Masons, Greenfield Chapter No. 133, Royal Arch Masons, Lafayette Council No. 100, Royal and Select Masters, Garfield Commandery, Knights Templar, at Washington Court House, the Scottish Rite Consistory and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to Ringgold Lodge No. 90 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Rotary and Country Clubs of Greenfield and is a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church. His first wife, Etta Bell Smith, a native of Greenfield, died at the age of thirty-two. His second wife was Mary Blanch Lowe, whom he married at Greenfield. She graduated from the Greenfield High School in 1915, and prior to her marriage taught school there. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Slagle's brother, C. E. Slagle, married Lottie Gardiner in Michigan in 1893, and has two children: Cletea Slagle, born in 1896, wife of John Edward Godfrey, whom she married April 20, 1920, at Clarks, Louisiana; and E. C. Slagle, born in 1899. The brother, W. C. Slagle, married Daisy Allison at Pittsburg, Kansas, and their three children are Roland Winfried, born in 1899, Roselie Janette, born in 1901, and Roy, born in 1904.

CHARLES F. SPECHT. Under the title of C. F. Specht Lumber Company this progressive citizen conducts and owns a substantial and important lumber business in his native city of Steubenville, Jefferson County, where he was born April 10, 1883, a son of Charles and Katherine (Andregg) Specht. The former still maintains his home in Steubenville, but the latter passed away April 27, 1924. The father is retired after having been for many years engaged in the bakery and confectionery business in this city, where he is known and honored as a loyal and public-spirited citizen of sterling worth of character. Charles Specht was born in Germany, and he landed in the United States on the day of the assassination of President Lincoln, in 1865. He had learned in his native land the trade of baker and confectioner, and this trade he followed in the City of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, until 1877, when he came to Steubenville, where he has maintained his home during the long intervening years. His wife was a representative of a family that came from Switzerland to the United States in the '60s. Of the two children Charles F., of this review, is the elder, and the younger is Louise, who is the wife of E. M. Irish and who had three children, Richard, deceased, Charles and Edwin.

Charles F. Specht gained his early education by consistent application to study in the public schools of Steubenville, then attended Kenyon Military Academy, Gambier, Ohio, and at the age of twenty-five years he completed an academic or literary course in historic old Washington and Jefferson College, in the State of Pennsylvania, of which institution he is a Phi Gamma Delta. For three years thereafter he was identified with steel construction work in connection with the building industry, and he then became associated with L. W. May in establishing a lumber business at Steubenville. Two years later he purchased his partner's interest, and he has since been the sole owner of the now large and prosperous business. He assumed this individual control of the plant and business in 1913, and in addition to conducting a well equipped lumber yard he has a planing mill and other accessories for the turning out of all kinds of finished lumber for the building trade. Mr. Specht has been virile and progressive not only in connection with his business affairs, but also as a citizen who takes deep interest in the welfare and advancement of his native city. In the World war period he here served as a member of the war board of the county and was active in the support of all patriotic service. He is a director of the Steubenville Mortgage Company, and is treasurer and a director of the Ohio Valley Savings & Loan Company. Mr. Specht is an active member of the local Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club. In the Masonic fraternity he is a Knight Templar, besides having advanced to and received the thirty-second degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He and his wife are communicants of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church in their home city.

January 20, 1914, recorded the marriage of Mr. Specht and Miss Helen Holdredge, of Los Angeles, California. Her father, Daniel Holdredge, died in the year 1921, and her mother, Mrs. Ida (Decker) Holdredge, is now a resident of Los Angeles. Mr. Holdredge is survived also by three children: Helen, who is the wife of Mr. Specht of this review; Miss Ruth, who remains with her widowed mother; and Beatrice, who is the wife of C. P. Taylor, of Los Angeles. William, an adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Holdredge, is now (1924) a student in the University of California. Prior to his removal to California Daniel Holdredge had been engaged in the furniture and undertaking business at Medina, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Specht have two children: Helen Louise and Charles Holdredge.

EDWARD F. AND JOSEPH V. LAWLER, JR. In journalistic circles of Carroll County a newspaper which has the respect of its contemporaries and the

support of a large part of the reading public is the Carroll Chronicle, owned and published at Carrollton by Edward F. Lawler and Joseph V. Lawler, brothers, and sons of the founder, who established this publication in 1871.

The grandfather of the Messrs. Lawler on the paternal side was Fenton Lawler, who was born in County Queens, Ireland, and came to the United States about 1830, his naturalization papers, still in the family possession, bearing the date of 1837. On the maternal side their great-grandfather was John McGregor, an educator, a graduate of the University of Glasgow, Scotland, who established Wadsworth Academy at Wadsworth, Ohio. His son, Archibald McGregor, the grandfather of the Messrs. Lawler, was about eight years of age when brought by his parents to the United States, who after a short settlement in Ohio resided for a time in Vermont, but later moved back to Ohio, where Mr. McGregor married Martha McCurdy. Like his father, he was an educator, and prior to the days of the public school established the first private school at Canton, where one of the finest schools in the city now bears his name to keep fresh his memory as an educator. He also founded the Stark County Democrat at Canton, the newspaper now owned by former Gov. James Cox. His death occurred in 1902.

Joseph V. Lawler was born September 17, 1848, at Carrollton, where he received his education in the public schools. He was but eleven years of age when he started to learn the printer's trade, but subsequently taught school for three terms in the winter. Eventually he went to Canton, then to Salem, Ohio, and later to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, working in job printing offices and on newspapers, finally returning to Carrollton, where in 1871 he founded the Chronicle. He was then the youngest editor and newspaper owner in the state. Two years later, in 1873, he was joined by his brother James F., who continued to be associated with him until 1914. Joseph V. Lawler has always taken a very active part in politics. A democrat, he has been a leading figure in the ranks of his party, a delegate to numerous conventions of all kinds, and was democratic candidate for Congress in 1902. During both terms of President Cleveland he served as postmaster of Carrollton, and in 1914 was appointed postmaster by President Wilson, holding that office nine years. At the time of his appointment he turned the Chronicle over to his two sons, and since the expiration of his term of office he has lived in retirement. Mr. Lawler married Miss Emma McGregor, who also survives, and to this union there were born seven children, namely: Edward F.; Martha, who married Homer Richards and had six children, John, Emma (who died at the age of eight years), Joseph, Mary, Tom and Martha; Mary, who married F. W. McCoy and has one child, Mary Margaret; Anna, who married W. A. Dorgan, and has three children, William, Catherine and Emma; Archie, who died at the age of four years; and Joseph V., Jr., and his twin, John M., the latter of whom married Caroline Stockon and has three children, John Virgil, Malcolm and Thomas, the latter two twins, who were born November 22, the same month and date as their father and uncle.

Edward F. Lawler attended the graded and high schools of Carrollton, where he was born August 13, 1873. Later he spent two years in the Ohio State University at Columbus, taking an academic course, and then returned to Carrollton and entered the newspaper office, where he learned the printer's trade. He has been identified with the Chronicle office since 1897, and has been one of the owners of this newspaper since 1914. He is identified with a number of social and civic organizations and takes an active part in affairs at Carrollton. Mr. Lawler is unmarried.

Joseph V. Lawler, Jr., was born at Carrollton, November 22, 1889, and after graduating from the high school pursued a commercial course at Oberlin College. His first employment was as night agent for the Pacific Express Company at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a position which he retained for two years, following which he took a position in the office of the state treasurer at Columbus, where he remained four years. In 1915 he returned to Carrollton, where he joined his brother Edward F. in taking over the Chronicle, which they have conducted with increasing success to the present time. In connection with the paper there is conducted one of the most modern job printing offices in the state for a city of this size. Like his brother, Mr. Lawler is interested in everything that promises to be of benefit to Carrollton, and has shown himself a constructive and progressive citizen.

On November 24, 1913, Mr. Lawler was united in marriage with Rosella Stevenson, a daughter of James V. and Agnes (Craney) Stevenson, the latter of whom is living, while the former died in 1918. Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson had the following children: Regina, who married M. B. Collier, and has two children, Regina and William; Clara, who married Albin Schmuker; James Fenton, who married Blanche Smith; Marie, who married Earl Wicks; and Raymond V., who is single. Mr. Stevenson was the oldest conductor in service on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, having put in forty-eight continuous years on the road. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Lawler; Helen Patricia and Joseph V., III.

Union Corwin De Ford was endowed with unusual gifts for organization and promotion, and the dominating feature of his career as an attorney has been his work in organizing banks and industrial companies and representing corporations as counsel and trial attroney.

Mr. De Ford, who for many years has been a member of one of the leading law firms of Youngstown, was born in Carroll County, Ohio, November 15, 1863. He is a descendant in the sixth generation from Jean De Ford, who was driven from his home in Southern France as a result of the persecution of the Huguenots. Coming to America about 1687, he settled in Kent County, Maryland. His father, Jean, was an American officer in the Revolutionary war and lost practically all his fortune during the war. His son John subsequently moved to Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and became owner of a gristmill. His son John De Ford was eighteen years of age when he went to Pennsylvania, and in 1811 he entered several tracts of land from the government in Carroll County, Ohio. However, for many years he remained a resident of Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and kept a noted hotel or tavern. In 1832 he made permanent settlement in Carroll County, and lived there until his death in 1873, at the age of 102 years. His first wife was Mary Hopwood, of Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

William De Ford, a son of John and Mary (Hopwood) De Ford, was born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, in 1807, and was liberally educated. In 1835 he settled on a farm in Carroll County, Ohio. He assisted the Union cause in the Civil war, and in 1861 was elected to the Legislature from Carroll County, and was again elected in 1862. He was a democrat until the war, afterward a republican, and was a member of the Methodist Protestant Church.

He married Mary D. Williams, who was born in New Jersey in 1801.

Their son, John W. De Ford, was born in Carroll County, Ohio, May 29, 1840, was well educated and devoted all his active life to the management and cultivation of a fine farm. He spent his last days in Carrollton, where he died April 26, 1916. The wife of John W. De Ford was Elvira Croxton, a daughter of William and Mary (McGee) Croxton, the former of English and the latter of Scotch ancestry. William Croxton was born in West Virginia, in 1800, son of William Croxton, Sr., who brought his family to Carroll County, Ohio, in 1812, taking up government land. William Croxton, Jr., established the first pottery in Carroll County, and was a man of extensive business interests. He was a republican, an abolitionist, and one of the conductors of the underground railroad. He died in 1888. His wife, Mary McGee, was born in Jefferson County, Ohio, and died in 1845. Mrs. John W. De Ford died in 1920, at the age of eighty-one. She was the mother of two sons, Union C. and Walter O., the latter a prominent banker and business man of Carrollton, Ohio, an official in the Cummings Trust Company.

Union C. De Ford was reared in Carroll County, and began the study of Blackstone when only twelve years of age. In 1886 he was graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree from Mount Union College, and subsequently that institution conferred upon him the degree Master of Arts and Science. As a young man he had experience in the management of a telephone exchange, also built a brick plant and an electric light plant, and was successful in the practical field of business as well as the law. He began the reading of law under Judge Robert Raley of Carrollton and under Judge Fimple, of Canton, and was admitted to the bar March 12, 1888. He practiced at Carrollton, and served as mayor and justice of the peace in that city. From 1894 to 1900 he was probate judge of Carroll County, being elected as a republican. He was chairman of the Carroll County Republican Committee in 1890, when William McKinley was elected governor of Ohio. On March 12, 1903, Mr. De Ford moved to Lisbon, Ohio, where he became a member of the law firm of Billingsly, Clark & De Ford. On March 26, 1907, he established his law office at Youngstown, becoming associated with the well known law firm of Arrel-Wilson & Harrington, which is now Harrington, De Ford, Huxley & Smith.

Mr. De Ford while in Carroll County organized the J. P. Cummings Bank Company and the First National Bank, which in 1900 were consolidated as the Cummings Trust Company. He is a director in this organization. He is also interested in the Mahoning National Bank and the Commercial National Bank of Youngstown, is director and general counsel for the Youngstown Steel Car Company and the Wilkoff Company, and a director in the Realty Security Company, Pennsylvania Power & Light and Pennsylvania Power & Electric companies. He is division counsel for the Baltimore & Ohio Company. He was a trial attorney in a celebrated case in 1916 when the Republic Rubber Company was sued under the Sherman Anti-Trust Law, and he won the case in the Federal Court at Cleveland. In 1921 he was the member of his law firm that represented the plaintiff Stevens against the Columbia Tire & Rubber Company in a suit for the enforcement of a contract, resulting in a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of over $400,000. As division counsel for the Baltimore & Ohio Mr. De Ford has charge of all the legal matters on the Newcastle Division, comprising twelve counties in Northern Ohio. Mr. De Ford in 1919 was appointed one of the executors of the estate of the Toledo banker, Gen. C. M. Spitzer.

In December, 1888, at Carrollton, he married Miss Eva Rue, a native of Carrollton, and daughter of Joseph L. Rue. She died December 19, 1912, leaving one son, John W. De Ford. On June 30, 1915, Mr. De Ford married Miss Grace Whitecraft, a native of Carrollton, and daughter of Henry H. and Nancy (McLaughlin) Whitecraft. The two children of this marriage are: Sarah W., born November 9, 1916, and Mary Eloise, born January 10, 1921.

Mr. De Ford is a member of the First Presbyterian Church. He has served as master of the Masonic Lodge, high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter, and has taken eighteen degrees in Scottish Rite Masonry. He is a member of the Youngstown Lodge of Elks. In 1924 he was a delegate from the Mahoning County Bar Association to the American Bar Association which met in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and which after their meeting went to London, England, on invitation from the English Bar Association, having been guests for a week of the latter body.

ASA HARVEY SYLER, M. D. In the highly prosperous rural community of Sugar Creek in Tuscarawas County the outstanding representative of the medical profession for over twenty years has been Dr. Asa Harvey Syler. He was born in Tuscarawas County, was a teacher for some years, and has earned a very creditable record in all the relations of a busy life.

He was born at Baltic, in Tuscarawas County, January 31, 1869, son of John and Catherine (Lint) Syler, the Syler family being of Belgian ancestry, while the Lints came originally from Switzerland. John Syler was born in Holmes County, Ohio, October 1, 1840, son of Thomas and Hosannah (Leader) Syler, natives of Pennsylvania. Catherine Lint was born in Tuscarawas County, May 20, 1845, and died February 4, 1921. Her parents, Daniel and Catherine (Klingaman) Lint, came from Pennsylvania. John Syler married Catherine Lint in 1863. They were devout members of the Church of the Brethren, or Dunkard, and John Syler has been a staunch republican. As a young man he followed the tanning trade, and for a time owned a tannery at Baltic. Later he was in the meat business, for forty years a buyer of live stock, and since 1890 has lived on a farm near Baltic. He and his wife reared six children: James A., public service director of the City of Canton; Elmer F., a farmer near Baltic; Asa H.; Ellen, wife of N. A. Shrock, a farmer on the Syler homestead; Charles G., a train despatcher for the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway at Massillon; and John J., a train despatcher with the Northern Pacific Railway at Jamestown, North Dakota.

Asa Harvey Syler was educated in public schools, and at the age of seventeen, taught his first term in a country district. His work as a teacher continued from 1885 to 1898. For a time he was superintendent of schools at Baltic and later at Greentown. In the meantime he had pursued summer courses in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and began his professional preparations in the Ohio Medical University, now the medical department of the Ohio State University. He received his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1902, and after a year of practice in his home town of Baltic, located at Sugar Creek in 1903. He is engaged in general practice, and is a member of the County, State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Syler was county coroner from 1903 to 1905. Since 1914 he has been a member of the County School Board, being always deeply interested

in educational problems. Since 1922 he has been president of the county board of health. Doctor Syler is a republican, is a member of the United Brethren Church and in Masonry he has taken the thirty-second degree in Scottish Rites, is a member of the Mystic Shrine and also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Doctor Syler in 1890 married Mary Speelman. She died in 1915, the mother of three children: Joyce, who graduated in 1918 from the Domestic Science School at Battle Creek, Michigan, was a teacher for five years in Kentucky, and is a member of the graduating class of 1925 in the Ohio State University; Orpha, wife of Lewis Froelich, of Sugar Creek; and Frederick L., in college. Doctor Syler in 1916 married Mabel V. Putt. Prior to her marriage she had been principal of the high school at Sugar Creek for five years. She has always been an active worker in Sunday school and church, and is at present one of the officers of the Woman's Missionary Society of the United Brethren Church, East Ohio Conference.

Everett Ferguson, of Steubenville, judicial center of Jefferson County, is one of the successful mine owners and oil operators of this section of Ohio, and claims the old Keystone State as the place of his nativity.

Mr. Ferguson was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, November 19, 1879, a son of Cyrus and Mary E. (Smith) Ferguson, who are representatives of old and honored families of that Pennsylvania county and who now maintain their residence at Colorado Springs, Colorado. Mr. Ferguson is one of a family of six children, and concerning the others the following brief data are available: Walter D. married Eunice Hindman, and they have five children; Frances F. is the wife of James A. Bowers, and they have three children; Mary E. is the wife of J. J. Weir, and they have two children; Nancy F. is the wife of Charles Robinson, and they have one daughter; Edward A. is married and resides at Weirton, West Virginia.

Cyrus Ferguson was but five years of age at the time of the death of his father, who had been one of the adventurous California argonauts of 1849, and he was reared and educated in his native state. He eventually became the owner of large tracts of land and other real estate in both Pennsylvania and Ohio, and on some of his holdings were developed coal mines. He sold some of his land to the Weirton Steel Company and the La Belle Iron Works Company, and later he became a successful developer of his coal lands, besides conducting large operations in the Hollidays Cove, West Virginia, oil field. He is still actively identified with coal and oil production, and is now a resident of Colorado, as previously noted. He was one of the originators of the project that led to the construction of the modern bridge that connects Steubenville, Ohio, with West Virginia, across the Ohio River, and was one of the seven principals in the consummating of this important public improvement. He is a Knights Templar Mason, and in the Scottish Rite of the time-honored fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree.

In the public schools of Pennsylvania Everett Ferguson continued his studies until he had profited by the curriculum of the high school at McDonald, and thereafter he was for two years a student in the Kiski Preparatory School at Saltsburg, that state, where he completed a general business course. After leaving school he was for a time associated with the Jefferson Glass Company at Steubenville, Jefferson County, Ohio, and he then became allied with his father's coal and oil development activities, with which he continued to be identified until 1920, when his father sold out his interests in this line and removed to Colorado. He has since been actively identified with the coal and oil industry in an independent way, and as an operator and lessee he has control of valuable properties in Harrison and Belmont counties, Ohio. He is the executive head of the Unity Coal Corporation and is a successful operator in both coal and oil production. He has supervision also of his father's properties and industrial interests. In his home city he is a director of the Steubenville Bank & Trust Company. Here also he is treasurer of the Rotary Club and vice president of the Steubenville Country Club, besides being a member of the Century Club. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He and his wife are active members of the First Presbyterian Church of Steubenville, of which he is a trustee.

In August, 1906, at McDonald, Pennsylvania, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Ferguson and Miss Emma E. Potter, daughter of Curtis R. and Elizabeth (Thompson) Potter, the former of whom is deceased. In the earlier part of his business career Mr. Potter followed milling enterprise, and thereafter he was engaged in the grocery business. He served as a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war, and was an honored and veteran member of the Grand Army of the Republic at the time of his death, in October, 1917, his widow being still a resident of Pennsylvania. Of the four children Mrs. Ferguson is the youngest; Mary W., deceased, was the wife of John Campbell, and they had two children; Celia is the wife of B. H. Bristle, and they have one son; and Miss Lila remains with her widowed mother. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson have one son, Everett, Jr., who was born August 12, 1910.

Frank Etherington Pomerene. For many years the bar of Coshocton has been noted as a body of unusually able men, and among them no one bore more fully the mark of intellectual supremacy than the late Frank Etherington Pomerene, who at the time of his death, June 1, 1919, was accounted one of the ablest corporation lawyers in the State of Ohio.

Mr. Pomerene was born at Coshocton, Ohio, March 25, 1868, a son of Julius C. and Irene (Perky) Pomerene. At the age of seventeen he was graduated from the Coshocton High School, with honors. In 1891 he received his Bachelor of Philosophy degree from Ohio State University. The next two years he served as secretary to Gen. A. J. Warner, who was constructing the Toledo, Walhonding Valley Railroad. In 1895, after receiving his Bachelor of Laws degree, he entered the firm of Pomerene & Pomerene of Coshocton. He gained distinction as an able lawyer beyond local surroundings, and had a large practice in the various courts of Central Ohio. To whatever field in the profession he turned his attention his innate thoroughness, enthusiasm and determination to excel placed him in the front ranks, and perhaps these very qualities led to the shortening of his valuable life.

Frank Pomerene organized most of the larger corporations in Coshocton, and had charge of their legal affairs. He was the leading spirit in obtaining the Carnegie Library, and for many years served on its Board of Trustees.

In 1905, ten years after his graduation in law, Governor Herrick appointed him a member of the Board of Trustees of Ohio State University.

On February 22, 1923, the trustees of Ohio State University, dedicated the Woman's Building, Pom-

erene Hall, "as a memorial to a beloved comrade, a distinguished alumnus—a man who gave his heart and soul to the betterment of the University." The University honored him by an election to membership of Phi Beta Kappa in 1911.

Mr. Pomerene married in 1896 Miss Mary Elizabeth Wilson, a daughter of James S. and Sarah (Hay) Wilson. As was her husband, she is a member of the Presbyterian Church. In political sentiment he was a democrat. His gentleness and tenderness of heart radiated blessings all along life's way. Everywhere he went, and in everything he did, his strong personality was felt, and the world is better for his having lived in it.

Rudolph A. Mack, lawyer and inventor, is one of the most prominent leaders of the dry forces in Ohio. Rudolph A. Mack with the exception of a few years has practiced law in his native city of Gallipolis for a quarter of a century, and his varied activities have made him one of the best known citizens of Ohio.

He was born in Gallipolis June 2, 1873, son of Charles E. and Wilhelmina (Vollborn) Mack. All his grandparents came from Germany, the Vollborns from Leipsic. His maternal grandparents were Christian and Caroline Vollborn, who came to this country early in the last century. Charles and Wilhelmina Mack, his paternal grandparents, came to the United States in 1842 and were married in America. Wilhelmina Vollborn Mack is now eighty-six years of age. Charles E. Mack, who died in 1911, was in the general merchandise business at Gallipolis for fifty-three years, being one of the oldest merchants in that city when he died. During the Civil war he was a member of the Home Guards, and helped defend his community against the northern raiders. Always intensely interested in the welfare of his home locality, he was never in party politics, though once he accepted the nomination for alderman on the independent ticket, and was twice elected to that office, refusing to run a third term. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. He and his wife have eight children: Chris, who married Lula Geisler and has a son, Charles E.; Martin, who died young; Carrie, widow of Fred Cromley, her only child, Fred, being also deceased; Minnie, who married Harry Stockhoff and had one child, Charles Janes; Charlie M., who married Amelia Roberts; Dr. Gustave A., who married Marion Kelley; Augusta, widow of William Slaymaker, and of their three children, Jewell and William are deceased, and the surviving daughter is Wilamina; and Rudolph A.

Rudolph A. Mack attended the high school at Gallipolis to the age of fourteen, and for two years pursued the academic course in Gallipolis, Ohio, at the Gallia Academy, and one year in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. Following that he became associated with his father in the general merchandise business under the name of Charles Mack & Son, and he gave five years of his young life to that work. Taking up the study of law at the Cincinnati Law School, he was admitted to the bar in 1899, and, remaining in Cincinnati, became associated with Charles Blackburn, then the leading criminal lawyer in the state. He remained with Mr. Blackburn until the death of the latter a year and one-half later, and continued an individual practice in Cincinnati for another year. Returning to Gallipolis, he opened his law office in 1903, but in 1911 he and A. O. Dickey, prosecuting attorney of Gallia County, established offices in Cincinnati and were associated there in practice for a year and a half. Since then Mr. Mack has concentrated his attention on his law business over the State of Ohio, with offices at Gallipolis, Ohio, and other points.

During his second period of practice at Cincinnati he became interested in party politics. He was manager of Senator Foraker's state campaign. Following that he took charge of the dry forces in Hamilton County for the Anti-Saloon League for two years. He became a great admirer of Frank B. Willis while Mr. Willis was attracting early attention in Ohio in republican politics. Mr. Willis, after being elected governor, failed to keep some of his promises to Mr. Mack, resulting in the desertion of Mr. Mack from the Willis forces. The matter had a far-reaching importance, since it practically defeated Mr. Willis as a candidate for reelection. Through the Anti-Saloon Dry Movement Mr. Mack controlled a large vote, and he himself came out as a candidate for governor on the dry ticket, the vote given him being responsible for the defeat of Mr. Willis. Mr. Mack subsequently promoted and organized the law enforcement league of the State of Ohio on a bone dry platform, and fought the exceptions in the Anti-Saloon's amendment to allow intoxicating liquors to be manufactured for medicinal, sacramental and scientific uses. His organization defeated this amendment, which would have thrown the state wide open to bootlegging. In 1922 Mr. Mack was a prominent factor as manager of the campaign of Homer C. Durand for governor on a platform to allow light wines and beers. There were nine candidates in the field, but Durand was third highest among the candidates.

Mr. Mack has a general law practice, and handles a number of important criminal cases outside of Gallia County. For many years one of his hobbies has been experimenting in the field of mechanics. He recently secured a patent on what is known as the wonder wagon, the manufacture of which promises to bring in large returns. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Modern Woodmen of America, Woodmen of the World, United Commercial Travelers and National Union.

At Cincinnati, March 9, 1901, Mr. Mack married Miss Edith Stith, daughter of David and Florence Stith. She, like her husband, is the youngest child of her parents. Among the other children were Steve; Cabbell, deceased; Ava, wife of Franklin Dudley; and Horace. Her father was a noted Kentucky farmer and horseman, owning extensive bodies of land in the Kentucky Blue Grass district. He served as an officer in the Confederate Army during the Civil war, and was once wounded in battle. For many years he was called by the affectionate title of "General." In politics he was the staunch friend of Senator Breckenridge in all his political aspirations. General Smith owned more than twelve hundred acres of land, and was a breeder of some of the fine horses for which the blue grass section of Kentucky is famous. His favorite recreation was fox hunting, and during his last fox hunt he contracted a bad cold, which developed into pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Mack have one daughter, Polly.

George A. Bair is one of the venerable native sons of Jefferson County who has always maintained his home within its borders, besides which he represented the county as a gallant young soldier of the Union in the Civil war. He has long been one of the substantial and honored business men of Steubenville, his home being on his attractive rural estate near Steubenville, and his unqualified loyalty to and appreciation of his native county have found specially effective expression in his service as a member of the Board of County Commissioners, to which he was elected in 1920, and in which he is proving himself

a staunch supporter of progressive policies, the while he is equally urgent in upholding a wisely economical administration of the financial affairs of the county.

Mr. Bair was born in Steubenville, this county, on the 24th of September, 1845, and is a son of the late John and Margaret (Hobler) Bair, the former of whom died in 1889 and the latter in 1901, venerable in years and loved by all who had come within the sphere of her influence. The subject of this review is the youngest of eight children: Adam, dead; James, who married Catherine Hill, and had three daughters, Lora, Alice and Katie; Katherine became the wife of Erric Johnson and the mother of one child; Elizabeth became the wife of Ernest Miller, and they had children whom they reared to adult age; Margaret became the wife of W. Pemar, and they had one child; Loretta is the wife of Andrew Nickolson and is the mother of three children, Cora, Elizabeth and Willard.

John Bair was engaged in the meat-market business at Steubenville for many years, and was preparing to open a market in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, when he was taken ill and there died. He was a son of John Bair and a representative of a family that was founded in Ohio in the pioneer days as was also the Hobler family. Mrs. Bair was born in Virginia, a daughter of Adam Hobler, and was an infant of one year at the time of the family removal to Ohio.

The common schools of his native county, including the village school at Unionport, afforded George A. Bair his early education, and he was thereafter employed in his father's meat market until the outbreak of the Civil war. He was under the prescribed age for enlistment without parental consent, but his youthful loyalty and patriotism finally overcame the objections of his parents, and, at the age of eighteen years he volunteered and was duly enlisted as a member of Company G, Thirteenth Ohio Cavalry, with which he saw two years of active service and in which he was promoted from private to orderly sergeant. He took part in the battle of the Wilderness and that of White House Landing, and was with his command at the capturing of Petersburg, Virginia, by the Union forces. He participated in eight major battles, but the most of the service of his gallant cavalry command was in the line of skirmishing. Mr. Bair has retained the deepest of interest in his old comrades, and has signalized this by his active affiliation with the Grand Army of the Republic.

After receiving his honorable discharge from the army Mr. Bair returned home, and during the long intervening years he has been continuously and successfully engaged in the meat business at Steubenville, where he now confines his attention to the wholesale trade, which he had previously conducted in connection with his retail business. He retired from the retail business in 1918.

Mr. Bair is aligned loyally in the ranks of the republican party, and it was on its ticket that he was elected a county commissioner in the year 1920. The estimate placed upon his service was shown in his reelection in 1922, and the November election of 1924 is virtually certain to retain him in this office. He and his family hold membership in the Congregational Church.

In 1866 Mr. Bair wedded Miss Matilda Dougherty, who is survived by five children: Jessie, Charles, Harry, William and Madison. Two deceased children were Lizzie and Sallie. In 1898 occurred the marriage of Mr. Bair and Miss Bella McCauslen, daughter of Col. Thomas McCauslen, a leading lawyer of his day at Steubenville. William, eldest of the four brothers of Mrs. Bair, was engaged in the practice of law at Steubenville at the time of his death. The other brothers, Edwin, George and Thomas, are living, as are also three sisters, Mrs. Jennie Shryock and Misses Clara and Marie.

Robert E. Riley, M. D., has not found it necessary or desirable to go outside his native city and county in finding a field for successful professional achievement, and he is distinctly one of the able and representative physicians and surgeons of Mercer County, at whose judicial center, the City of Celina, he has been engaged in the practice of his profession for fully thirty years, during sixteen of which he also owned and conducted one of the leading drug stores of the city. By many post-graduate courses the doctor has supplemented his continuous study, and has kept in very close touch with the advances made in medical and surgical science and practice.

Doctor Riley was born at Celina on the 12th of March, 1863, and is a son of Calvin and Gabriella (Brandon) Riley, the while he is a scion of one of the honored and influential pioneer families of Mercer County. His paternal grandfather, James W. Riley, was not only one of the early settlers of this county but also had the distinction of being the virtual founder of the City of Celina, the county seat. He platted the original townsite and was a leader in the initial development and progress of the city. He was one of the best known and most honored pioneer citizens of Mercer County at the time of his death.

Calvin Riley manifested in his career the same fine civic loyalty and public spirit as had his father, and he was organizer of the Commercial Bank of Celina, this being the oldest banking institution of the city and he having served as its president until the time of his death, besides which he had other large and important business and property interests in the city and county. Both he and his wife passed away when well advanced in years.

That Dr. Robert E. Riley made good use of the advantages afforded in the local schools was demonstrated in his several years of successful service as a teacher in the public schools, principally in the rural districts of his native county. In the great western metropolis he was graduated in the Chicago College of Pharmacy as member of the class of 1889, and this experience led him to extend his studies and prepare himself for the more exacting profession of medicine. In the City of Chicago he was graduated in the celebrated Rush Medical College in 1893, and since thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he has continuously been engaged in the successful practice of his profession at Celina, where, as before stated, he also conducted a drug store during a period of sixteen years. In 1919 he took special post-graduate courses in diagnosis and clinical bacteriology in the Chicago Post-Graduate Medical College, and prior to this, in 1894, he had taken a special post-graduate course on diagnosis and treatment of the diseases of children, as well as a course in anesthetics. In Rush Medical College he took a post-graduate course on the diagnosis and treatment of the diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, and in a general way it may readily be seen that his fine professional stewardship is reinforced by the most thorough training for his earnest and faithful ministrations as a physician and surgeon. His well appointed and equipped offices, of four rooms, are at 110½ East Market Street. The Doctor is one of the loyal and influential members of the Mercer County Medical Society, and has membership also in the Ohio State Medical Society. By the late and lamented President McKinley Doctor Riley was appointed a member of the government board of

pension examining surgeons for Mercer County, and of this office he continued the incumbent sixteen years. He is now serving as medical examiner for the Midland Mutual Life Insurance Company, the Union Central Insurance Company, the Missouri State Life Insurance Company, and the Woodmen of the World, of which fraternity he is an active member. In the Masonic fraternity the Doctor has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and he is affiliated also with the Knights of Pythias.

In April, 1894, was recorded the marriage of Doctor Riley and Miss Addie Brandon, daughter of the late Joel K. and Anna (Goodall) Brandon, of Celina, where the father was long engaged in the general merchandise business. Doctor and Mrs. Riley are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, he is a stalwart republican, and Mrs. Riley is affiliated with the Order of the Eastern Star. Doctor and Mrs. Riley have two children, Dr. Horatio, who is a graduate of the Ohio College of Dental Surgery at Cincinnati; and Joel K., who was graduated from the Celina High School as a member of the class of 1924, and is now a student in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

George A. Stauffer. One of the most prominent men in the republican party in Putnam County, Ohio, is George A. Stauffer of Ottawa. Mr. Stauffer is a newspaper owner and publisher, a former secretary of agriculture of Ohio, and the present United States marshal for the Northern District of Ohio.

He was born on a farm in Perry Township, Putnam County, April 14, 1874, son of Abraham D. and Annie E. (Seigler) Stauffer. His parents were natives of Washington County, Maryland, where his father was born April 16, 1842, and his mother in January, 1848. They were reared and educated in that section, the mother a graduate of high school and subsequently a teacher until her marriage. The father entered the Union Army, serving as a bugler, and was with the troops under Seridan in the famous Battle of Winchester. They lived on a farm for several years in Maryland, and in March, 1874, moved to Putnam County, Ohio, locating in Perry Township, where they lived until the father's death on July 4, 1922. The father was an elder in the Dunkard Church and a republican voter. He and his wife had eight children: John L., a farmer in Paulding County; Henry S., a farmer in Perry Township of Putnam County; George A.; Bertha E., wife of Abraham Miller, living on a farm near Flint, Michigan; Clara B., wife of Daniel Weller, of Paulding County; Wilford J., of Edgerton, Ohio: Emma J., wife of Hugh Kraft; and Susie M., a teacher in the public schools.

George A. Stauffer was reared on his father's farm in Putnam County, attended public schools and for several years followed the carpenter's trade. On December 23, 1900, he married Grace G. Varner, a high school graduate and a graduate of the Tri-State Normal College at Angola, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Stauffer have a family of nine children: Audrey G., a graduate of the Ottawa High School and of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and a teacher in the Ottawa High School; Mildred, a graduate of the Ottawa High School with the class of 1923, and is in her second year at the Ohio Wesleyan University; George A., a graduate of the Ottawa High School and a cadet in the Military Academy at West Point; Lila, a student in the Ottawa High School; Glenna, Louise and Frank B., all students in the public schools, while the younger children are Albert R. and Alice. Mrs. Stauffer is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Stauffer is prominent in Masonry, being a member of Ottawa Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Chapter and Council, the Knights Templar Commandery and Scottish Rite Consistory, and is a past grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge No. 75. He and his wife are members of the Eastern Star and Rebekahs.

Mr. Stauffer served as secretary of agriculture of Ohio under Governor Frank B. Willis and also under Governor James M. Cox. He has been a member of the Eastern Ohio Normal School Commission, and early in President Harding's administration was appointed United States marshal for the Northern District of Ohio. He has been a member of the local executive committee of the republican party, served six years on the State Central committees for the Fifth District, and for fourteen years has been chairman of the Republican County Committee. In a business way Mr. Stauffer owns and looks after four of the good farms of Putnam County. He is in the loan business, and is proprietor of the Ottawa Gazette, one of the oldest papers in Putnam County.

James Blaine Collins, D. D. S., who is successfully established in the practice of his profession in the City of Celina, judicial center of Mercer County, was born at Mendon, this county, on the 26th of May, 1884, and is a son of Judge Franklin S. and Alvira (Murlin) Collins, the former of whom was a resident of Celina at the time of his death and the latter of whom still resides in this city. Judge Franklin S. Collins gave long and effective service as judge of the Probate Court of Mercer County, and for a number of years prior to his death had been engaged in the oil producing business.

In the public schools of his native county Dr. James B. Collins continued his studies until his graduation from the Celina High School in 1903. In preparation for the profession of his choice he entered the Ohio College of Dental Surgery in the City of Cincinnati, and in this excellent institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1906. After thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery he was engaged in practice about three years in his native Village of Mendon, and thereafter he maintains his residence and professional headquarters at New Lebanon, Miami County, until 1919. He has since been engaged in practice at Celina, and has status as one of the representative dental practitioners of his native county. For his laboratory and operative departments Doctor Collins maintains a suite of five large rooms at 125½ South Main Street, and the equipment of his offices is of the best modern standard in all details, including an Adams X-ray machine, Peerless Harvey dental chairs, Weber Unity with Ritter dental engine, S. S. White sterilizer and the most approved facilities and accessories in both the operative and laboratory departments. His reputation for fine workmanship constitutes one of his best professional assets, and his practice is of distinctly representative order. The doctor is an active member of the Mercer County Dental Society, the Northwestern Ohio Dental Society, the Ohio State Dental Society, and the National Dental Association. He has insistently kept abreast of the advances made in his profession, and in the City of Chicago took a post-graduate course in the Dental School of Northwestern University. Doctor Collins is a republican in political adherency, is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and in their

home city he and his wife have membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In the year 1905 was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Collins and Miss Melissa Newcomb, daughter of William E. and Melinda (Carpenter) Newcomb, of Celina. Doctor and Mrs. Collins have four children, Ellis F., aged sixteen years; Ronda G., aged thirteen; A. Daniel, aged seven; and James Ray, aged two years. The eldest son is a member of the class of 1925 in the Celina High School.

Frederick Whiting Avery, proprietor of the Avery Inn at Wauseon, is one of Ohio's noted hotel men, and is also proprietor of one of the largest collie dog breeding farms.

Mr. Avery was born at Youngstown, Ohio, September 15, 1884, son of Rev. Fred and Ione (Lester) Avery. His father was a graduate of the General Theological Seminary of New York, and became a noted minister in Ohio. Frederick W. Avery was reared in the vicinity of Painesville and Youngstown, Ohio, was educated in the Kenyon Military Academy and graduated Bachelor of Science from Kenyon College. He first engaged in the hotel business at Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, and subsequently bought the Jefferson Hotel at Bryan, Ohio. He continued the active management of the hotel at Bryan for four years, and still owns that property. On moving to Wauseon he bought the Blair Hotel, and after extensive remodeling named it the Avery Inn, one of the most popular hotels in Northwest Ohio. He also owns the Jefferson Apartments at Bryan, Ohio. His dog farm is known as the Jefferson White Collie Kennels, the largest establishment devoted to the breeding of white collie dogs in the world. His farm comprises 160 acres, and he has an average of about 400 dogs.

Mr. Avery while at Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, married Miss Delia Jenkins, of that city. She was a graduate of the parochial schools of Sturgeon Bay. They have one son, Frederick Burt Avery. Mr. Avery is a republican in politics.

William H. Tedrow, present county superintendent of schools of Fulton County, was born in that county, and has made an enviable reputation as an educator.

He was born on a farm in Clinton Township, a mile west of Wauseon, February 17, 1894, son of Reasin Isaiah and Cora (Pocock) Tedrow.

The Tedrow family were among the earliest pioneer settlers of Clinton Township, Fulton County, Isaac and Elizabeth Tedrow moving there with their family in 1836 from Holmes County, Ohio. Isaac Tedrow helped build the first log schoolhouse in the community, and of the six pupils first enrolled in that school five of them were his children. One of these was Isaiah Tedrow, grandfather of the county superintendent of schools. Isaiah Tedrow married Phoebe Cornell, and of their children one was Reasin Isaiah Tedrow, who was born in Fulton County in 1857, and was educated in the public schools. After his marriage he farmed on the shares, and in 1880 acquired a place of his own, where he and his wife still live. He is a member of the Methodist Church, the Modern Woodmen of America, and has served as township supervisor. He is a republican. Reasin Isaiah Tedrow married in 1879 Columbia Bland, who died three months later. In 1882 he married Cora Pocock, daughter of Jesse and Susanne (Robinett) Pocock. Three children were born to their marriage: Bessie, a graduate of the Wauseon High School and a former teacher in Wauseon, is now the wife of Rev. L. D. Fauver, of Archbold, Ohio; Jesse Frank, who was educated in the grammar and high schools, is a farmer in Clinton Township, and married Levina Ziegler; and William H.

William H. Tedrow was reared on the home farm, attended public schools, and is a graduate of the Wauseon High School and of the Michigan State Normal College at Ypsilanti. He received the Bachelor of Arts degree at Ypsilanti. For two years he did work as a teacher, and then answered the call to the colors at the time of the World war. He was with his command in France and was a corporal. After returning to the United States he resumed his work as an educator, and for three years was principal of the high school in Detroit and for one year he was supervisor of English in the Battle Creek public schools in Michigan. He then returned to Wauseon, and was elected county superintendent of public schools.

He married Miss Fleta M. Lunn, of Battle Creek, Michigan. They are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is a Royal Arch and Council degree Mason, and a republican in politics.

C. J. Ehrgood, cashier of the Liberty State Savings Bank at Liberty Center in Henry County, is a thorough going business man, and for a long period of years was identified with the creamery business, a work which he took up soon after finishing his education.

Mr. Ehrgood was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, August 8, 1865, son of Daniel and Louisa (Alspaugh) Ehrgood. His father was born in Berks County, Pennsylvania, March 6, 1831, and his mother in Fairfield County, Ohio. Daniel Ehrgood had a common school education, and as a young man moved to Fairfield County, where he married and lived for several years at Basil, where he worked in a store. In 1868 the family moved to Henry County and located on a farm, and the father occupied that one place for over half a century. He died February 7, 1924, at the age of ninety-one years. The mother died in 1910. They were members of the Methodist Church, and in politics Daniel Ehrgood followed the fortunes of the republican party from its organization. There are two children, the daughter being Verdilla, a graduate of high school and formerly a teacher, now the widow of A. Z. Bryan, living at Liberty Center.

C. J. Ehrgood spent his early life on the farm in Henry County, and after graduating from high school attended the Northern Indiana Normal College at Valparaiso. His early training and experience in the creamery business were acquired in Pennsylvania, where he remained three years. He was connected with the creamery at Ada, Ohio, and for sixteen years had charge of the plant at Napoleon. After leaving Napoleon he moved to Liberty Center, and for four and one-half years was in the grocery business there. On June 1, 1923, he became cashier of the local bank. The other officers of this institution are: A. M. Fish, president; H. W. Bressler, vice president; L. R. Bowers, assistant cashier; and O. L. Miller, D. Leist, Ira Free and P. E. Johnson, directors.

Mr. Ehrgood is the father of two children, Thelma, a graduate of high school, and Keith, attending high school. He and his farmily are members of the Presbyterian Church at Napoleon, and he is a past master of Liberty Center Lodge No. 518, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, is a past high priest of Holly Chapter No. 136 Royal Arch Masons, and is a republican in politics.

Ezra Neuhauser is one of the young men of enterprise who have taken up a comparatively new profession and business, that of hatching chicks, and

is one of the phenomenally successful men in that business. He is proprietor of the Neuhauser Chick Hatcheries at Napoleon and Ridgeville Corners, Henry County, and is interested in hatcheries elsewhere.

Mr. Neuhauser began this business in an experimental way while a country merchant in Fulton County, Ohio. He was born at Berne, Indiana, March 10, 1893, son of Jacob and Rosanna (Steiner) Neuhauser. His boyhood days were spent on his father's farm northwest of Berne, and he attended the schools of French Township in Adams County, Indiana. He was on the farm until eighteen, and then followed several different lines of occupation until he was twenty-two, when he located at Archbold, Fulton County, Ohio. For a year and a half he clerked in a dry goods store there, and then with modest capital and experience started a little dry goods store of his own at Ridgeville Corners in Henry County. There in 1918 he had his first season's experience in the commercial chick hatchery business, and the business grew so rapidly and demanded so much of his time that after a season or two he sold his store and found his time fully occupied in enlarging his plant and keeping up with the demands of an extensive trade. He still maintains his hatching plant at Ridgeville Corners, and in February, 1923, he moved to Napoleon and built another plant there. For the season of 1923 he handled nearly a million day-old chicks from his hatchery. He is a stockholder in a hatchery at Archbold and also at Pioneer, Ohio.

Mr. Neuhauser married on April 4, 1915, Miss Priscilla Rupp, who was born at Archbold, in 1892, and was educated in the public schools of Fulton County. They have three children: Verile Marcell, born in August, 1916; Helen M., born in March, 1917; and Harold R., born in May, 1920. Mr. Neuhauser and family are members of the Mennonite Church, and in politics he is a republican.

ORRA L. WATKINS. Representing one of the oldest and most honored families in Fulton County, Orra L. Watkins, an ex-service man of the World war, was given the important honor and responsibility of the office of county auditor when he was only thirty years of age. He fills that office, his home being at the county seat, Wauseon.

Mr. Watkins was born on a farm in Fulton County, September 26, 1892. Members of the Watkins family settled in Fulton County during the decade of the '40s. His grandparents, James Holiday and Nancy (Kimmel) Watkins, were married in Wayne County, Ohio, and in 1850 settled in Lorain County. In 1853 they moved to Swan Creek Township of Fulton County, where they made a farm. James H. Watkins died in 1893 and his wife in 1903.

One of their ten children is Kimmel K. Watkins, who was born in Fulton County in 1859. He acquired a common school education and began work for himself at the age of thirteen. For four years he and his family lived in Northern Illinois, where he followed the trade of broom maker and also worked at farming. Kimmel K. Watkins from 1892 to 1910 was a farm renter in Fulton County, and then bought the farm where he and his wife now reside in Fulton Township. They are active members of the Methodist Church, and all the family are members of the Grange. He is a republican, has been justice of the peace, township trustee and school director, and has always shown a public spirited interest in matters of the community welfare.

Kimmel K. Watkins married, July 16, 1884, Tillie J. Richardson, a native of Fulton County and daughter of George H. and Laura (Blake) Richardson. To their marriage were born six children: Earl L., a graduate of the Delta High School, and a farmer and teacher in Fulton County; Ethel, who died at the age of thirteen; Opal, wife of George Mason; Orra L.; Ross L., who served with the Eighty-third Division in France during the World war; and Dorr C., who is a graduate of the Fulton Township High School and lives on a farm in Fulton County.

Orra L. Watkins was reared in Fulton County, and graduated from the Fulton Central High School. For three years he was a teacher, and at the time of the World war he was with the colors seven months, being trained as a soldier at Camp Taylor at Louisville, and at Camp Pike in Arkansas. After the close of the war he was elected county auditor of Fulton County. He is a republican in politics, is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and is an active member of the Church of Christ.

On February 7, 1920, Orra Watkins married Miss Florence Bruner, of Delta, Ohio. She graduated from the Delta High School and was a teacher four years. They have one daughter, Rachel, born in March, 1921.

DAYL E. MANN, present county recorder of Henry County, has spent his life in Napoleon, and is well known and esteemed for his business ability and the efficiency with which he has administered his duties as an office holder.

He was born at Napoleon, April 22, 1878, son of George F. and Augusta (Ritter) Mann. His father was born at Napoleon and his mother near that city. The grandfather, Enoch Mann, came to Henry County from Columbus, Ohio, and spent the greater part of his life in that county, but finally moved to Oklahoma, where he died. George F. Mann was reared at Napoleon, educated in the public schools, and learned the mason's trade. He followed that business for a number of years, but he and his wife are now living retired. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge, is a republican and for several terms was town marshal of Napoleon. There are two sons, Ross Mann being a farmer near Napoleon.

Dayl E. Mann attended public schools at Napoleon, and after finishing his education went to work in a local grocery store as a clerk. He was connected with the business enterprise of his native city until he was appointed recorder to fill out an unexpired term of five months. Before the end of that period he was elected for a regular term, and by reelection holds the office at the present time. He has been active in republican politics for a number of years.

Mr. Mann married Miss Grace Yakee. They have a family of six children: Emmett, a graduate of high school; Robert, attending high school; Geraldine, Beryl and Royal, all in the grammar schools; and Charles, the youngest in the family.

LUTHER L. ORWIG is the veteran editor of the Northwest News, the oldest paper in Henry County, established in 1852. Since 1872, a period of more than half a century, Luther L. Orwig has been its editor and publisher.

Mr. Orwig was born at Fort Wayne, Indiana, February 12, 1844. In 1845 his father, John Orwig, a native of Pennsylvania, died, and soon afterward the widowed mother, Hannah (Poorman) Orwig, a native of Ohio, set out from Fort Wayne in wagons and after an eight-day journey reached Tiffin in Seneca County, passing through Napoleon on the way. She subsequently spent her declining years at the home of her daughter at Toledo, where she died. She was the mother of three children, Luther L.

being the youngest. The oldest, John B. Orwig, enlisted in the One Hundred and First Ohio Infantry in the Civil war, was wounded and captured at the Battle of Stone River, and was confined in practically all the Confederate prisons, including Libby and Andersonville. The daughter, Rebecca J., married G. K. Brown, and lives in Toledo.

Luther L. Orwig was reared at Tiffin, attended public schools, but his schooling ended when he was a little past fourteen years old. In 1859 he went to work in the office of the Tiffin Advertiser, and during the next several years served in every capacity, including that of editor. The editor when he went with the Advertiser was W. W. Armstrong, who in 1862 was elected Secretary of State of Ohio on the democratic ticket. Afterward Mr. Armstrong bought the Cleveland Plain Dealer, and in the meantime Mr. Orwig had been advanced from "devil" to foreman of the Tiffin Advertiser, and remained with that old and reputable Ohio newspaper for twelve years.

Later he bought the Democratic Northwest, in 1872, and subsequently consolidated it with the News at Napoleon, and under the name of the Northwest News has published that splendid newspaper ever since. It is democratic in politics, and has never missed an issue in the past half century, although once the plant was practically destroyed by fire. Mr. Orwig owns the building in which his paper is published, and has a thoroughly equipped commercial printing establishment.

For a number of years the publishing company has been L. L. Orwig & Sons, his sons, Gale B. and Don C., being partners. Mr. Orwig is an elder in the Presbyterian Church at Napoleon. His wife, who died in 1908, was also an active member of that denomination. Besides the two sons already mentioned there are two other children: Ralph L., who is a graduate of high school and is married and living in Fostoria, Ohio. The daughter, Corrinne H., married Otto P. Tietjen, of Napoleon, and her two sons are now students at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.

Don C. Orwig, who became associated with his father in the publication of the Northwest News in 1919, was educated in the Napoleon High School, in Wooster College, and at the Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge. He married Dorothy Borne, of Toledo.

Gale B. Orwig, who became associated with his father in the publication of the Northwest News in 1895, was born at Napoleon, September 24, 1873, and has been a conspicuous business man of that city. He was reared in Napoleon, attended the public schools, and graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard University. On returning home he became associated with his father in newspaper work, and subsequently became president of the Ohio Gas Light and Coke Company, and is also a director of the Napoleon State Bank. He married Elsie M. Bradley, who is a graduate of high school. They have one son, Benton B., a graduate of high school and of Brown University, and is now assistant advertising manager for Charles Scribner Sons, New York publishers. During the World war he was a member of the Students' Army Training Corps.

Willoughby Ross Ash is now in the sixth year of his splendid work as superintendent of the city schools at Napoleon. Mr. Ash is a man of college education, but taught school while a student, and is well known in educational circles in several Ohio counties.

He was born on a farm in Liberty Township of Seneca County, Ohio, February 22, 1879, son of Edmund R. and Emeline (Elder) Ash. His father was born in the same township and county, November 9, 1844, was reared on a farm there and had a common school education. His wife was born in Centerville, Pennsylvania, November 19, 1842, and was a child when her parents came to Ohio. After finishing her education she taught school for a number of years, and after their marriage the parents settled on a farm in Seneca County. They lived there until the death of Mrs. Edmund Ash, after which Mr. Ash retired from active management of the farm and is living at Kansas Station, Ohio. He is a member of the Evangelical Church, a staunch republican, and for many years held local offices in Seneca County. He served three years as a Union soldier in the Civil war, and is a member of G. W. Ash Post No. 679, Grand Army of the Republic. Edmund R. Ash and wife had five children: Curtis A., of Hillsdale, Michigan; Lewis, of Sturgis, Michigan; Harvey J., of Fostoria, Ohio; Willoughby Ross; and Elsie J., wife of Charles W. Cessna, of Anderson, Indiana.

Willoughby Ross Ash spent his boyhood days on the old farm in Liberty Township of Seneca County, and while there attended country schools. Afterward he was a student in the Village High School in Kansas, Ohio, attended the Ohio Northern University at Ada, and subsequently graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree from Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio. For a year and a half Mr. Ash studied law in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. When he was seventeen years of age he began teaching and taught three spring and two winter terms in rural school districts and for two years was superintendent of the village schools in Kansas, Ohio. Subsequently he was for twelve years connected with the Fostoria High School, either as teacher or principal, and in 1918 he took up his duties as superintendent of city schools at Napoleon. A great deal of educational progress both in the material equipment of the schools and in the spirit of administration has been noted in Napoleon during the past six years.

Mr. Ash married Miss Linnie M. Rosendale, of Fostoria. She is a graduate of the Fostoria High School. They have one daughter, Helen Irene, born June 25, 1913. Mr. and Mrs. Ash are members of the Presbyterian Church, and he is a York and Scottish Rite Mason, being a member of the Fostoria Knights Templar Commandery No. 62 and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Consistory in the Valley of Toledo. He is a past master of the Masonic Lodge, and was the first master to preside in the new temple at Fostoria, Ohio. In politics he is republican, in civic organizations he is a member of Kiwanis Club.

Earl H. Streip is one of the aggressive young business men of Sherwood, Ohio, and is treasurer and manager of the Sherwood Lumber Company, Incorporated. All his business training and experience have been in the handling of lumber, and he is thoroughly familiar with its details.

He was born at Bryan, Ohio, June 1, 1894, a son of C. H. and Ottilie (Behnke) Streip. His father was born in Germany, in 1868, and when five years of age was brought by his parents to the United States. He grew up at Bryan, Ohio, and was educated in the public schools. His wife was born in Germany, in 1871, and was also a child when her parents came to this country and located on a farm near Bryan. C. H. Streip for many years was a buyer and shipper of grain at Bryan, but is now

living retired. He is a member of the Knights of the Maccabees, is a democrat in politics, and his wife is a member of the Lutheran Church. They have two children: Miss Edna, of Bryan, and Earl H.

Earl H. Streip after graduating from the high school at Bryan went to work in a lumber yard, and experience with different companies brought him a thorough mastery of the lumber business. Several years ago, with associates, he bought the Sherwood Lumber Company. H. O. Stine is president and R. O. Stine is secretary of the company, while the practical management devolves upon Mr. Streip.

He married Miss Esther Ruess, a graduate of the Defiance public school, and a member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Streip is affiliated with Sherwood Lodge No. 620, Free and Accepted Masons, being a past master of the lodge. He is a Royal Arch, Council degree and Knights Templar Commandery Mason, and belongs to the York Rite bodies at Defiance. He is also affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and as a democrat was elected to the Council and also as mayor of Sherwood.

Hon. Dennis D. Donovan, who for two terms represented the Ohio district including Henry County in Congress, has carried on an extensive general practice as a lawyer at Napoleon for over a quarter of a century.

His home town while he was in Congress was Deshler in Henry County, and he was born in that county January 31, 1859, son of John and Catherine (Hannin) Donovan. His father was born in Ireland, but came to America as a young man, where he married Catherine Hannin, a native of Ireland. John Donovan cleared up a fine farm in Henry County and left a valuable estate at his death. He died in 1900, when eighty-seven years of age.

Dennis D. Donovan was reared on his father's farm, attended the public schools and for three years was a teacher. He also studied law at Valparaiso University in Indiana, and graduated in law at Georgetown University, Washington D. C.

In the meantime, while a resident of Deshler, he was elected a member of the Ohio Legislature in 1887 and reelected in 1889. In 1890 he was elected to represent the Fifth District in Congress, and about that time this district was changed to the Sixth District and he was reelected to represent that district in 1892. While in Congress he became associated with William J. Bryan, and was actively identified with the political fortunes of the Nebraska commoner for many years. In 1913, while Mr. Bryan was Secretary of State under President Wilson, he selected Mr. Donovan as umpire of the Panama Mixed Claims Commission, but the appointment not being immediately confirmed by the president of the Republic of Panama, Mr. Donovan declined to be considered a candidate for the honor.

Mr. Donovan began the practice of law at Deshler with E. N. Warden, and in 1897 they established an office at Napoleon. For five years R. W. Cahill was also a member of the firm, and is now Common Pleas judge of Henry County. The firm of Donovan & Warden continued for a quarter of a century, until Judge Warden was elected as judge of the Court of Appeals of the Third Judicial District of Ohio. Since then Mr. Donovan has continued in the law practice at Napoleon. He and his former partner also own and operate extensive farming interests in Essex County, Ontario, and he has always been interested more or less in farming.

Mr. Donovan is a staunch democrat, and in 1898 was a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Ohio. He served twice as mayor of his home Town of Deshler, and was also county school examiner. He served part of one term as postmaster at Deshler, resigning that office when elected a member of the Legislature.

Mr. Donovan is a member of the Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus and was the third exalted ruler of Napoleon Lodge No. 929, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In 1891, at Baltimore, Maryland, he married Ginevra Waltimire, who was born in Henry County, Ohio, daughter of J. C. and Nancy (Stovenour) Waltimire. Her father was a prominent land owner and former county treasurer of Henry County.

Albert G. McCord, who was mayor of Sherwood, Defiance County, nine years, has had a long and successful business career, and for many years was also engaged in teaching. He is a man of education and of marked leadership in civic affairs.

He was born on a farm in Fairfield Township of Huron County, Ohio, May 13, 1858, a son of Alpheus and Mary Ann (Griffin) McCord. His father was born in New York State, in 1823, and his mother in 1824. Alpheus McCord was reared on a farm in Huron County, Ohio, was married there, and he operated a farm, but at the age of sixteen had begun teaching and he taught twenty winter terms of school, spending the rest of the year on the farm. He also practiced medicine, and was a thorough Biblical scholar and a member of the Second Adventist Church. Mary Ann Griffin was his second wife, and by this marriage there were six sons and one daughter, four of whom are still living.

Albert G. McCord grew up on a farm in Huron County and attended the public schools there and later the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. Like his father, he taught school altogether for a period of twenty years. He engaged in business at Defiance, and from there came to Sherwood, where he is one of the successful men of affairs.

He married Miss Hattie M. Coon, who died a few years later. He then married Amelia Dekan, and by this marriage there is a son, Alpheus Albert, born in 1920. Mr. McCord and family are members of the Zion Reformed Church. He is a republican, and was the party nominee for the Legislature. He helped organize Sherwood Lodge No. 620, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master, and was also master of Evansport Lodge of Masons. He is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter, the Council and the Knights Templar Commandery at Defiance, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. He was the founder of the local Eastern Star Lodge, and was its first worthy patron, and has since been made a life member of the lodge.

Urban E. Diener. The pedagogic ability, professional enthusiasm and executive discrimination that make for maximum efficiency are being distinctly shown in the administration of Mr. Diener as superintendent of the public schools of the City of Celina, judicial center of Mercer County.

Mr. Diener was born on the parental homestead farm in Liberty Township, Mercer County, Ohio, July 30, 1892, and is a son of John P. and Sophie (Deitch) Diener, who are well known and highly esteemed residents of this county, where the father was long and successfully engaged in farm enterprise and where he is now living virtually retired after a career of productive industry and marked civic loyalty and liberality. Both he and his wife are zealous members of St. John's Lutheran Church.

In the public schools of his native county Urban E. Diener continued his studies until he had completed a course in the Celina High School, over which he now has a general supervision as a prerogative of the official position he here holds. In 1917 he was graduated from Miami University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science. He gave five years of service as a teacher in the rural schools of Mercer County, was for two years a teacher in the Village School at Fort Turkey, this county, and he next gave three years of effective service as instructor in manual training and in agriculture in the high school at Rockford, this county. Thereafter he was for two years manual training instructor in the Central High School of the City of Lima, Allen County, and for one year the principal of the high school at Celina, where, in June, 1923, he was elected superintendent of the public schools of the city, the office of which he is now the able and popular incumbent. There are at the time of this writing, in the spring of 1924, two school buildings in Celina, with an enrollment of 835 pupils and with a corps of twenty-nine efficient teachers. It is pleasing to note that the new high school building, a fine modern structure erected at a cost of $150,000, is nearing completion and will be in use before this publication shall have been issued from the press. Superintendent Diener is distinctively progressive in both his scholastic and executive policies, and under his regime the standard of the Celina schools is being admirably advanced in all grades and departments.

Mr. Diener is aligned in the political ranks of the democratic party, he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, he is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and is an active and valued member of the local Kiwanis Club.

In April, 1914, at the Fountain Chapel Church in Blackcreek Township, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Diener and Miss Ethel Hoverman, daughter of Conrad and Ida (Hays) Hoverman, of Mercer County, she having received the advantages of the public schools of the county. Mr. and Mrs. Diener have three children: Helen Louise, Urban Lowell and Martha Lucille.

John M. Schlosser has been engaged in the practice of law at Celina, judicial center of Mercer County, for nearly thirty-five years, and is now one of the veteran members of the bar of his native county, with incidental prestige as one of the leading lawyers of this section of the Buckeye State.

Mr. Schlosser was born in Mercer County, March 3, 1859, and is a scion of one of the honored pioneer families of this county, within whose borders his father, the late John Schlosser, passed his entire life, the greater part of his active career having been devoted to mercantile enterprise, with which he continued his association until his death. In this county likewise occurred the death of his wife, who was eighteen years of age when she came from her native Germany to the United States, her maiden name having been Mariana Butsch.

After having duly profited by the advantages of the public schools of Mercer County, John M. Schlosser was for a time a student in St. Charles Seminary, and in 1890 he was graduated in the law department of Northern Indiana Normal School, which is now known as Valparaiso University. After thus receiving his degree of Bachelor of Laws he was admitted to the Ohio bar and in the same year engaged in the practice of his profession at Celina, as a member of the representative law firm of LeBlond, Laughridge & Schlosser. Before the close of the year Mr. Laughridge retired from the firm, the title of which thereafter continued to be LeBlond & Schlosser about one year, the senior member then retiring and being succeeded by his son, Hon. C. M. LeBlond. Since 1899 Mr. Schlosser has conducted an independent law business, and the same has long been one of broad scope and importance. As an attorney and counselor he has been concerned in much of the important litigation in the courts of this section of Ohio, and his clientage is of distinctly representative character, as may be inferred when it is noted that he is attorney for the Remaklus-Beckman Company; the Minster Building, Loan & Savings Company; the Mercer County Building & Loan Company; and the Fort Recovery Building & Loan Company. He was one of the organizers of the Mercer County Bar Association, and has been its treasurer and librarian for more than a quarter of a century. He is secretary and treasurer of the Celina Public Library, he having been one of the leaders in the establishing of this library and having been secretary and treasurer from the time of the organizing of the same, in 1905. He is an earnest communicant of the Catholic Church, as a member of the local parish of the Church of the Immaculate Conception. He is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the Knights of St. John. He is a stalwart in the camp of the democratic party, and has given yeoman service in advancing the party cause. Mr. Schlosser has depended upon his own resources and efforts in making advancement in life, and has wrought worthily and achieved much. He was a member of a family of thirteen children, and while he was working to obtain his youthful education it became incumbent upon him also to aid in the support of the other members of the family.

In the Catholic Church at Piqua, Ohio, on the 26th of November, 1901, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Schlosser and Miss Thera C. Schaefferling, theirs having been the first wedding in the new church edifice. In this connection it is specially interesting to record that the marriage of the parents of Mr. Schlosser was the first to be performed in the old church at Piqua. Mrs. Schlosser is and has been specially active in the work of the American Red Cross, and was devoted and loyal in her application to service in the World war period, she having done much to advance the local work in behalf of the Red Cross, the Knights of Columbus, the Young Men's Christian Association, and other agencies of patriotic war service. In 1923 she was a delegate from Mercer County to the national convention of the American Red Cross in the City of Washington, D. C. She is an active member of the Celina Community Club, and is a zealous communicant of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, as are also her husband and their one daughter, Miss Juanita, who attended the parochial school of this church and was later graduated from the Celina High School, when she was not yet seventeen years of age. Miss Schlosser has shown exceptional musical talent, and is distinctly the buoyant, ambitious and vital young woman of the present day, active in athletics and outdoor sports, and appreciative of the finer ideals of life. Before this work shall have been issued from the press she will have initiated her course of study in the celebrated College of Notre Dame, Indiana.

David H. Richardson, M. D., has been engaged in the practice of his exacting profession for more than fifty years, and is now one of the veteran and representative physicians and surgeons of his native County of Mercer. He maintains his home and profesional headquarters in the City of Celina, the county seat, and since 1907 he has here confined

himself largely to service as a specialist in the diagnosis and treatment of the diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. During the long years of his earnest professional stewardship he has not permitted himself to abate his study and research, and has kept fully abreast of the advances made in medical and surgical science.

Doctor Richardson was born in Mercer County, on the 25th of August, 1848, and here was reared principally in the historic old Town of Fort Recovery, where his father, the late Dr. John Richardson, long held precedence as one of the leading physicians and surgeons in this section of the state and where he and his wife remained until their death. He was a graduate of Starling Medical College, which now constitutes the medical depart- of the University of Ohio, and was a man not only of noble character, but also of high professional and intellectual attainments. The maiden name of his wife was Mary Gray, and both were well advanced in years at the time of their death.

In the schools of his home Village of Fort Recovery, Dr. David H. Richardson continued his studies until he entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he graduated in 1869, and it was ten years later that he was graduated from the Cincinnati Medical College. His insistent policy of keeping arrayed in the ranks of those representative of progressiveness in the medical profession was signalized by his having completed in 1869 a course in staunch old Starling Medical College, from which he received in that year the supplemental degree of Doctor of Medicine. In 1907 he returned to the Cincinnati Medical College for a post-graduate course, and in the following year he took a post-graduate course in the Chicago Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat College, where he gave his attention to study and clinical work pertinent to diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, which now represent his special domain of professional service. He availed himself also of the clinics of the celebrated specialist Dr. D. W. Green of Dayton, Ohio. As a specialist he now controls a large and representative practice, and he maintains his well equipped office at 124½ South Main Street, in the central business district of Celina. For more than ten years past the doctor has been the efficient and honored secretary of the Mercer County Medical Society, and he is a member also of the Northwestern Ohio Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. In York Rite Masonry he is affiliated with the local Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council, his political allegiance is given to the democratic party, and he and his wife and daughter hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In the year 1869 was solemnized the marriage of Doctor Richardson and Miss Mary L. Lehmkuhl, who was born in Celina. Doctor and Mrs. Richardson had the gracious privilege of celebrating in 1919 their golden wedding anniversary, and that year also marked fifty years of continuous professional service on the part of the doctor. The devoted companionship of the doctor and his wife has continued unbroken to the present time, and as the gentle shadows begin to lengthen from the Golden West they may well feel that their lines are cast in pleasant places, for theirs is an attractive home and in the community their circle of friends is limited only by that of their acquaintance. With them remains their only child, Minnie, who became the wife of John Bretz, his death occurring about two years after their marriage. For more than a decade Doctor Richardson was a member of the Board of Trustees of the local Methodist Episcopal Church, and his retirement came only when he resigned the office a few years ago.

Russell M. Pierson, M. D., who is established in the successful general practice of his profession at Celina, judicial center of Mercer County, was born at Springfield, Ohio, December 12, 1894, and is a son of Edward and Rose (Langdon) Pierson, the latter of whom is deceased. Edward Pierson is an engineer by trade and vocation.

The discipline which Doctor Pierson received in the public schools of Columbus, capital city of Ohio, included that of the high school, and in furthering his education along academic lines he there entered the University of Ohio, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1916 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. There he became a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity. In preparation for his chosen profession Doctor Pierson entered the Eclectic Medical College in the City of Cincinnati, this being one of the oldest and best American colleges of the Eclectic system of medical science. He was graduated as a member of the class of 1920, and after thus receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he further reinforced himself by the valuable clinical experience which he gained in a year of service as an interne in the Deaconess Hospital at Cincinnati. In November, 1920, Doctor Pierson established his home at Celina, and here his able and effective professional stewardship has caused a generous measure of success to attend his ministrations as a physician and surgeon. The doctor is an active member of the Mercer County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the Ohio Eclectic State Medical Society and the National Eclectic Medical Association. He is serving as local medical examiner for the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey. He is a democrat in politics and is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity.

The year 1920 recorded the marriage of Doctor Pierson and Miss Evangeline Hur, of Greenville, Ohio. After her graduation from the Greenville High School, Mrs. Pierson attended the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, and in 1920, the year of her marriage, she was graduated, as a talented concert singer, in the Cincinnati College of Music. Mrs. Pierson is a leader in musical and other cultural circles in her home community, where she is an active member of the History Club and a popular factor in the representative social life of Celina. She is affiliated with the Mu Phi Epsilon College Sorority.

Harry Francis Wiedman, M. D. In the twenty years since he graduated from medical college, Doctor Wiedman has had a busy professional career in Eastern Ohio and the Northern Panhandle of West Virginia. He was born and spent his early life in the country around Wheeling, and is now located at Bellaire, a specialist in eye, ear, nose and throat.

Doctor Wiedman was born at West Alexander, Pennsylvania, October 28, 1874, his birthplace being close to the line between Pennsylvania and West Virginia. His parents were Joseph Cyrus and Sarah (Harton) Wiedman, now living retired at Shadyside, Ohio. His father was born at West Liberty, West Virginia, in 1850, and his mother in Marshall County, West Virginia, in 1852. Joseph C. Wiedman was a merchant and farmer in Marshall County, was a photographer at West Alexander, and was in business at McMechen, West Virginia, until he retired.

One of a family of five children, Harry Francis Wiedman attended public schools at Glen Easton, and as a youth planned a professional career. He began the study of medicine at Glen Easton with Dr. W. F. Crow, and had two years of medical work at the Eclectic Medical College of Cinncinnati. His finances being exhausted, he had to find some other source of

livelihood, and for some years did clerical work, at first in the Riverside Mills near Wheeling and then with the Baltimore & Ohio Railway as yard clerk and chief clerk to the yardmaster's office. He spent seven years with the Baltimore & Ohio.

In the meantime at Glen Easton in June, 1897, Doctor Wiedman married and in 1901 he left the Baltimore & Ohio to resume his medical education, and in 1903 was graduated from the Eclectic Medical College. Doctor Wiedman practiced at Glen Easton, West Virginia, from 1903 to 1905, and in 1907 located at Shadyside in Belmont County, Ohio. He was a general practitioner there and still has his home at Shadyside. After taking advanced work in eye, ear, nose and throat at the Post Graduate Hospital in New York City, he located at Bellaire, and is the only physician in Belmont County confining his practice exclusively to his special field. He is a member of the staff of the Bellaire City Hospital and belongs to the various medical organizations. During the World war he was a member of the medical examining board and at that time did considerable general practice, resuming his specialty after the war closed.

Doctor Wiedman is prominent in Masonry, being affiliated with Lodge No. 438; Bellaire Chapter No. 107, Royal Arch Masons, and Hope Commandery No. 20, Knights Templar, at Bellaire. Is a member of the Lodge of Perfection, fourteenth degree, Chapter of Rose Croix, eighteenth degree, in the Scottish Rite at Steubenville, and belongs to the Council of the Knights Kadosh and the Lake Erie Consistory at Cleveland. He is a member of Osiris Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Wheeling. Doctor Wiedman belongs to the Kiwanis Club, the Scottish Rite Club and the Shrine Club, and is a trustee of the Christian Church at Shadyside. His hobby is fishing.

Doctor Wiedman married Miss Ada May Wilson, who was born and reared at Wheeling. Her father, William H. Wilson, who died in 1915, was a brick manufacturer at Wheeling, and a merchant at Glen Easton, West Virginia, and during the latter part of his life lived on a small farm. Mrs. Wiedman is active in church, club and social affairs at Shadyside. They have one son, Russell Holmes.

Irvin W. Warden is president of the Wellston Manufacturing Company, operating a general foundry but specializing in a distinctive line of manufacture that has made this enterprise known throughout the United States.

Mr. Warden was born at Litchfield, Montgomery County, Illinois, July 24, 1880, son of William G. and Elizabeth E. (Atwood) Warden. His grandfather was John Warden and his great-grandfather, Robert Bruce Warden. The Wardens lived for several generations in old Virginia, and there have been several of the name of more than ordinary distinction. Robert Bruce Warden was at one time judge in Cincinnati and an associate justice of the Ohio Supreme Court and a well-known author. William G. Warden was seriously injured in a boiler explosion and never fully recovered. In 1888 he moved out to California, and lived at Los Angeles until his death in 1909. His wife passed away in 1903. They had three children: Alonzo, who died at the age of twenty-five; William J., who is married and has one child; and Irvin W.

Irvin W. Warden was eight years of age when the family moved to Los Angeles. He attended school in that city, and finished his technical and scientific education in the University of Southern California and the University of Virginia. For about two and one-half years he was employed by the Los Angeles Cement and Iron Manufacturing Company, a corporation that owned and operated several plants in California. On account of ill health he resigned and for a year and a half was manager of the California Irrigated Farm Company, and for six months was district manager of the International Vineyards Company. Mr. Warden then became manager of the Fort Worth Texas Oil Company, and was in the oil industry in the Southwest for five years.

In 1919 Mr. Warden came to Wellston, Ohio, and organized the Wellston Manufacturing Company. This company owns the basic patents for the widely known line of store fixtures known as the Eclipse Revolvo Cases. These are steel cases for the holding and display of merchandise, including revolving display stands, and more particularly cases used in the hardware business for holding bolts, screws, nails and similar commodities. It is a special line of equipment sold and distributed among progressive merchants throughout the United States.

Mr. Warden, who is unmarried, is a member of the Jackson County Country Club, the Elks Lodge and the Baptist Church.

Rupert R. Beetham is one of the most progressive and influential citizens of Cadiz, judicial center of Harrison County, where he is engaged in the practice of law and where he is also president of the Fourth National Bank. He is a leader in political affairs in this county, which he has represented in the Ohio Legislature, and he has given effective service also as postmaster of Cadiz.

Mr. Beetham was born at Greensburg, Trumbull County, Ohio, August 29, 1877, and is a son of the late Rev. John and Mary (Rennison) Beetham, the former of whom died in 1905 and the latter passed to eternal rest in 1890. The parents were born and reared in England, where their marriage was solemnized and where their first two children were born. There Rev. John Beetham was ordained a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and there he continued his ministerial services until 1867, when he came with his family to the United States. Here he continued for many years his active and devoted ministerial services, in connection with which he served in turn as pastor of fully twenty different churches, nearly all of these charges having been in Ohio, where his memory is revered by all who came within the sphere of his kindly and benignant influence. Of the children the eldest is Mary, who is married and has one son, Rennison; John S. married Sadie Hall and they have two children, Emory and Clair; William N. married Emma Mardon; Alfred C. married Mary Park, and they have five children, William, Marion, John, Helen and Ruth; Emory married Harriet Johnson; Rupert R., of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; Charles married Mary McManus, and they have two children, Robert and Dorothy.

The early education of Rupert R. Beetham was obtained through the medium of the public schools at various places in which his father held pastoral charges in Ohio, and in 1897 he was graduated from the high school at Canton, Stark County. Thereafter he was for one year a student in Scio College, and he then put his acquirements to practical test and use by giving two years of effective service as a teacher in the public schools, mainly those of rural districts. It was by this means that he gained the requisite funds to enable him to complete his course in the law department of the University of Ohio, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1900. In the year in which he thus received his degree of Bachelor of Laws, with concomitant admission to the bar, he initiated the practice of his profession at Cadiz, and here he has long controlled a substantial and representative law business. He has here been specially active and influential in the councils and campaign activities of the republican

party, and he gave eight years of effective administration as postmaster of Cadiz, 1906-14, under the administration of Presidents Taft and Roosevelt. In the autumn of 1914 he was elected to represent Harrison County in the lower house of the Ohio Legislature, in which he continued his service until 1922. He was the recognized floor leader of his party in the House of Representatives, was assigned to various committees of importance, and proved an active and resourceful worker in behalf of wise and constructive legislation, besides having had the distinction of being elected speaker. He was the leading champion of the bill that resulted in the establishing of the Ohio Eastern Normal School, and was sponsor of caboose law, touching railroad regulations, besides which he wielded large influence in the passage of other important acts of legislation.

Mr. Beetham has been a director of the Fourth National Bank of Cadiz since 1917, and has been its president since 1919. He is the owner of a fine farm property in Harrison County, and finds great satisfaction, as well as recreation, in according to the farm his general supervision, as he has much interest in the great basic industries of agriculture and stock-growing.

Mr. Beetham has membership in the Harrison County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association, is affiliated with the Grange, the Knights of Pythias and the Masonic fraternity, in which last named connection both he and his wife hold membership in the Order of the Eastern Star. Mr. Beetham has been a most earnest and zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal Church from the time of his youth to the present, has served as a delegate to its Northeast Ohio Conference, and in 1912 was a delegate to the general conference of the church. He was for four years platform manager of the Cadiz Chautauqua, was chairman of the Harrison County Chapter of the American Red Cross in the World war period, besides being a leader in other avenues of patriotic service, and he is now a member of the Board of Education in his home city.

At Cadiz, in September, 1900, Mr. Beetham wedded Miss Crete McLaughlin, daughter of Samuel R. and Belle (Snyder) McLaughlin, who still maintain their residence in Harrison County, where Mr. McLaughlin is a substantial farmer, besides being a buyer and shipper of wool. Mrs. Beetham died in the year 1918, and she is survived by four children, Isabel, Ann, Rupert and Charles. Isabel is the wife of Frederick Fuller, who is a law student in the City of Columbus. Ann is a member of the class of 1926 in the law department of the University of Ohio. Rupert is now (1924) a student in the Cadiz High School, and Charles is attending the public schools.

William R. Walker, a skilled civil and mining engineer, has done in his profession much important work for coal mining companies in Ohio, Kentucky and Illinois, and by a number of these corporations he is still retained as engineer, besides which he is general manager of the Narva Coal Company. He is a native son of Jefferson County, Ohio, and at its metropolis and judicial center, the City of Steubenville, he maintains his residence and business headquarters.

Mr. Walker was born at Toronto, Jefferson County, on the 29th of September, 1887, and is a son of Seward and Mary (Ball) Walker, the latter of whom is deceased, her death having occurred in 1897, and she having been a representative of a family that sent representatives to Ohio from Pennsylvania in the pioneer period of the history of the Buckeye State. Mrs. Walker was a daughter of William Ball, who was one of the California argonauts of the historic year 1849 and who was prosperous in his gold mining operation in California. He was a resident of Ohio at the time of his death.

Seward Walker was born and reared in Ohio, and is a son of Henry and Sarah (Hall) Walker. He became one of the prominent business men and influential citizens of Toronto, Jefferson County, where he was long engaged in the grain, flour and feed business. There he is now living virtually retired, and he is serving as an elder in the Presbyterian Church, of which his wife likewise was an earnest member. Of the two children William R., of this sketch, is the elder, and Delmar, the younger son, who is a resident of Steubenville, married Miss Ethel Dake, their one child being Delmar, Jr.

After completing a two years' course in the high school of his native town William R. Walker entered the employ of A. G. White, and under the effective direction of this able civil and mining engineer he gained technical and field experience that, as supplemented by study at home, eventually equipped him most excellently for the practice of the profession in which he has gained much of success and prestige. While Mr. Walker has done a large amount of general surveying and engineering work, his activities in his profession have been largely in connection with the coal mining industry, especially in stripping work. As a mining engineer he has done effective service and gained more than localized reputation. His work in connection with mining industry was considered of such importance that he was retained therein instead of entering the nation's military service in the World war.

Mr. Walker has completed the circle of York Rite Masonry, in which his maximum affiliation is with the Commandery of Knights Templars in his home city. In the Scottish Rite of the fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree. He is actively identified with the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the Steubenville Country Club, and he and his wife hold membership in the United Presbyterian Church.

At Toronto, Jefferson County, in February, 1910, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Walker and Miss Bess Blake, daughter of George and Ida (Peters) Blake, whose one child is Mrs. Lucy Kerr. Mr. and Mrs. Walker have two children: Donald and Robert.

Arthur Van Epp, a representative member of the bar of Medina County and a former mayor of the City of Medina, where he is established in successful law practice, was born on Green Island, in Lake Erie, October 18, 1874, his father, the late Nicholas Van Epp, having been at the time keeper of the government lighthouse on this island, which is a part of the State of Ohio. Nicholas Van Epp was born in Amsterdam, New York, a scion of one of the old and honored Holland Dutch families of the Empire State, but he was reared and educated in Medina County, Ohio, he having been a lad of seven years when he came with his widowed mother to this county. When the Civil war was precipitated he, as a youth of only sixteen years, enlisted in a regiment of Ohio Volunteer Infantry, for a term of ninety days, and at the expiration of this term he re-enlisted. His second enlistment was in the Tenth Ohio Cavalry, commanded by General Kilpatrick, and he was with Sherman's forces in the Atlanta campaign and the historic march from Atlanta to the sea. In an engagement at Fayetteville, South Carolina, three weeks prior to the final surrender of General Lee, he received a gun-shot wound, the bullet struck the watch which he carried in his pocket and the course of the missile was thus deflected upward and lodged in his right shoulder. The bullet was not extracted until 1894, a short time prior to his death

having in the meanwhile worked its way down to his right hip. Within a short time after his return home, as a gallant young veteran of the Civil war, Mr. Van Epp wedded Miss Maria M. Owen, who was born and reared in Medina County, Ohio, a representative of a family that was founded in America in the Colonial days, the original American progenitor having been John Owen, a Welshman, who settled at Windsor, Massachusetts, in 1645, a direct descendant having been Gideon Owen, maternal grandfather of Arthur Van Epp, of this review. For several years after the close of the Civil war Nicholas Van Epp was a lighthouse keeper, and he then took up the study of law, his preparation having included a course in the law department of the University of Michigan, in which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In 1887 he established his residence at Seville, Medina County, and two years later he removed with his family to Medina, the county seat. He was serving his second term as county clerk at the time of his death, in 1894, when he was forty-nine years of age. Nicholas Van Epp was a man of sterling character, of much ability and of fine civic loyalty. He was a stalwart in the ranks of the republican party, was actively affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic, and was one of the honored and influential citizens of Medina County at the time of his death, his widow being still a resident of Medina and he being survived also by all of his five children.

In the public schools of Medina Arthur Van Epp continued his studies until his graduation in the high school, and thereafter he studied law in the offices and under the preceptorship of the firm of Hayden & Seymour, of Medina, his admission to the Ohio bar having occurred in 1897. In the following year he volunteered for service in the Spanish-American war. He enlisted as a private in the Eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and with this command participated in the Santiago campaign. After returning home and duly receiving his honorable discharge, Mr. Van Epp initiated the practice of law at Medina, and here he has since continued his professional activities, in which he has gained secure place as one of the able and successful members of the bar of this part of the state. In 1899 he was elected mayor of Medina, and the high estimate placed upon his administration was shown in his being retained in this municipal office for seven and one-half years. In 1908 he was elected prosecuting attorney of Medina County, and he gave two terms of effective service in this position, 1909-13. Even as he has emulated his honored father in professional work and patriotic military service, so likewise he has been a stalwart advocate and supporter of the principles of the republican party, in the local councils of which he has been influential. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, including the Order of the Eastern Star, and holds membership also in the Knights of Pythias and the Modern Woodmen of America.

In 1896 Mr. Van Epp married Miss Mabel Allen, and her death occurred in January, 1898. In 1899 he wedded Miss Mary E. Burskam, the two children of this union being Frances and Franklin Arthur.

Samuel C. Caldwell, M. D., engaged in the practice of his profession at Toronto, Jefferson County, shortly after his return from France, where he had given able and loyal service as a member of the Medical Corps of the United States Army in the great World war.

Doctor Caldwell was born in Kansas City, Kansas, April 11, 1887, and is a son of Perry and Elizabeth (Russell) Caldwell, the former of whom died in 1894. Of the five children the eldest is Myrtle, who is the wife of E. A. Person and the mother of one child, Paul; Stella is the wife of James Russell, and they have two children, James and Delmar; Frances is the wife of John Goldworth, and they have a daughter, Jean; Ward is married and is the father of two children.

Perry Caldwell met his death while in discharge of his official duties as chief of police at Kansas City, Kansas, he having been there killed by a flat-car in the railroad yards, where he was in charge of the rounding up of malefactors. His father served as a gallant soldier of the Union in the Civil war. After the death of her husband Mrs. Perry Caldwell returned, with her children, to her old home in Ohio, at Athens, and it was there that Dr. Samuel C. Caldwell, immediate subject of this sketch, received much of his early education, he having there attended the public schools and also taken a collegiate preparatory course. Thereafter he was for one year a student in Wooster College, and he then entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, a fine old institution that is now the medical department of the University of Ohio. He was there graduated as a member of the class of 1912, and after receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine he was engaged in practice two years at Vinton, Gallia County. He then entered professional service at the Ohio Boys' Industrial School at Lancaster, and when the nation became involved in the World war he subordinated all personal interests to the call of patriotism, as shown in his enlistment, in May, 1918, for service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army. He passed three weeks at Camp Oglethorpe, Georgia, and then, with the rank of first lieutenant, was ordered to Camp Crane, at Allentown, Pennsylvania. In the latter part of September he sailed from Hoboken, New Jersey, for overseas service. He landed at Liverpool, England, and soon afterward crossed over to France, where he was assigned to duty at moveable hospital No. 103 at Chaumont. He soon afterward went to the St. Mihiel sector, and was in active service at the front, with exigent demand for his professional ministrations almost continuously, night and day. He was with his command in the final Argonne drive, and after the signing of the armistice that brought hostilities to a close he passed two months in service at the Remcourt base hospital. His next service was at the evacuation hospital at Brest, in caring for wounded men who were preparing to embark for the home land. While at Brest the doctor received his commission as captain in the Medical Corps. He sailed for home August 3, 1919, and before the close of that month, at Camp Dix, he received his honorable discharge—on the 11th of August. He thereafter passed three weeks at Lancaster, Ohio, and has since been established in the successful general practice of his profession at Toronto. He is an active member of the Jefferson County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Protestant Church.

The first marriage of Doctor Caldwell was with Miss Alta M. Frost, daughter of Charles and Sarah Frost, and her death occurred in October, 1918, within a short time after he had initiated his World war service in France. For his second wife the doctor married Mrs. Jean L. (Glassford) Myers, a daughter of James Glassford. Her mother died many years ago. She is the elder of two children, of whom the younger is John. Doctor and Mrs. Caldwell are popular factors in the representative social life of the attractive little city in which they maintain their home.

John R. Pierce is engaged in the general practice of his profession in the City of Celina, Mercer County,

as one of the popular and representative younger members of the bar of his native county. At the time of this writing, in the spring of 1924, he is the democratic candidate for the office of prosecuting attorney of Mercer County. Mr. Pierce was one of the loyal young patriots who represented this county in the nation's service in the World war period.

Mr. Pierce was born on the homestead farm of his parents in Mercer County, and the date of his nativity was June 12, 1895. On this homestead his parents, William and Jane (Kennedy) Pierce, still reside, and William Pierce is one of the substantial and progressive exponents of agricultural and live-stock industry in Mercer County. The public schools of his native county afforded John R. Pierce his early education, and after his graduation from the high school in the Village of Neptune, in 1912, he entered the high school at St. Marys, Auglaize County, where he carried forward more advanced studies and where he was graduated as a member of the class of 1914. In 1915 he was a student in the great University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, and he then transferred to the University of Ohio, at Columbus, where he continued his studies until the nation entered the World war, when he promptly enlisted for service in the United States Army. He entered the first officers' training camp established at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, and became a member of the first contingent accepted for the army air service. After completing his preliminary training he returned to civilian life, awaiting orders. On the 19th of September, 1917, he was called into active service at Camp Sherman, Ohio, where he remained until the 28th of the following December, when he was transferred to the University of Illinois, for service in ground work. After there remaining eight months he was ordered to Dallas, Texas, and five weeks later was sent to Columbia University, New York City, for a course in radio. Twelve weeks later he was ordered to Dam Field, Long Island, where he continued in service at the English flying field until he was assigned to the southern field at Americus, Georgia. There, with commission as a second lieutenant in military aviation, he was assigned to the instruction staff, his service in this capacity continuing until the armistice brought the war to a close. He was mustered out December 10, 1918, and duly received his honorable discharge, but he is retained as a second lieutenant of the Aviation Reserve Corps of the United States Army.

After his retirement from military service Mr. Pierce spent one year in the oil fields of Oklahoma and Kansas, and he then returned to the University of Ohio, in the law department of which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1922, his admission to the bar having been virtually coincident with his reception of the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In the same year he opened a law office at Celina, and here his ability and personal popularity have contributed to his success in building up a substantial law business of representative order. He is one of the active workers in the local ranks of the democratic party and is affiliated with the Delta Theta Phi law college fraternity.

In the year 1922 was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Pierce and Miss Grace Patricia Dawley, of Guatemala, Central America, she being a daughter of Thomas R. Dawley, Jr., and Roseline (Ledeney) Dawley, who still reside in that country. On the paternal side Mrs. Pierce is a first cousin of Hon. William Howard Taft, former President of the United States and now chief justice of the United States Supreme Court.

The career of Thomas Robinson Dawley, Jr., has been one of eventful and interesting order. He was born in New York City, in April, 1862, and is a son of the late Thomas Robinson Dawley and Antoinette (Hoxsie) Dawley. He gained his early education in the schools of Brooklyn, New York, and as a youth of seventeen years he found on a cattle ship a medium of transportation to Liverpool, England, from which port he made his way on foot to London. Later he was engaged in the printing business in New York City, but he yielded again to the wanderlust, and traveled through Central America, the West Indies, Spain and France. After an absence of ten years he returned to New York. He taught school on Block Island, studied law at Providence, Rhode Island, and in 1896, as a representative of Harper's Weekly, he visited the insurgent camps in Cuba, besides while there going out with the Spanish troops. He was arrested several times and finally, after being confined two weeks in Morro Castle, he was expelled from the island by General Weyler. He returned to Cuba the following year, and in the Spanish-American war he served in turn as a volunteer aide on the staffs of General Miles and General Shafter. After the taking of Santiago he published the first American daily paper. After his paper had been confiscated, under the old Spanish judicial system, by the Cuban authorities, he returned to New York, and thence he returned to Spain, as a correspondent for the Century Publishing Company. As representative of the Outlook magazine he was a special commissioner to the Pan-American Congress of 1901 in Mexico. In the following year he was a United States delegate to the International Coffee Congress, held in New York City; in 1904 he traveled through Santo Domingo, and subsequently made to the President of the United States a report of his investigations there. As a special agent of the Bureau of Labor, 1907-9, he made extensive investigation of child labor and other labor conditions in the South. Mr. Dawley has written much and well, is the author of several published works, and as a writer and correspondent he has made many and valuable contributions to newspaper and magazine literature.

Mrs. Pierce is a most popular figure in the leading social, cultural and church activities of her home community, where she holds membership in the Adelphian Society and the Altrusian Society. Mr. and Mrs. Pierce have a fine little son, John R., Jr.

Ralph D. Cole, of Findlay, Hancock County, has honored his native county by his successful achievement in the legal profession, by his effective activities in public affairs, by his service as a member of the United States Congress and by his distinguished service as a soldier and officer with the American Expeditionary Forces in France in the World war. In the practice of his profession at Findlay, he is a member of the representative law firm of Dunn & Cole.

A member of a fine family of seventeen children, Mr. Cole was born on a farm in Hancock County, and that he profited fully by the advantages he received in the public schools was demonstrated by his youthful success as a teacher in the schools of the county. In due course he followed the line of his ambition, studied law and gained admission to the Ohio bar. He has made a splendid record as an able trial lawyer and well fortified counselor, and has appeared in many important litigations in the various courts of the Buckeye State.

Mr. Cole has gained much of leadership in the councils of the republican party in this section of the state, and he effectively represented the Eighth Congressional District of Ohio in the United States Congress, besides having appeared as republican candidate for the office of governor of Ohio. When the nation became involved in the World war he promptly subordinated all personal interests to the call of patriotism. He enlisted in the United States Army,

accompanied his command oversea, and served with distinction with the American forces in the greatest conflicts known in the history of human existence. Mr. Cole is preparing a history of his regiment and the part it played in the World war, and is passing the summer of 1923 on the battlefields of France for the purpose of gaining additional data that shall contribute to the accuracy and value of his history. Mr. Cole has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite of the Masonic fraternity, and he and his wife are active church members. Mr. and Mrs. Cole have one son.

Robert J. Bissonnette is editor and proprietor of the Fulton County Tribune, a newspaper with a consecutive history covering forty years. Mr. Bissonnette has been identified with newspaper work since early youth, and is a veteran of the World war.

The Fulton County Tribune was established in 1883, and has had a number of owners and editors, but has always been a republican paper. For ten years it was owned by Levi S. Jameson. A period of special growth and prosperity was the seven years it was owned and edited by Frank H. Reighard. He sold out in 1910 to Rev. Frank B. Kenyon and Catherine B. Weir, and on October 6, 1919, Miss Weir sold her interest to Robert J. Bissonnette.

Mr. Bissonnette was born in Henry County, Ohio, May 24, 1890, son of Henry and Anna L. (Decker) Bissonnette. His father was born in Canada, of French ancestry, and was twelve years of age when taken to Henry County, Ohio, where he was reared and received most of his education. He married, in Henry County, Anna Decker, who was born at Grovesport, in Piqua County, Ohio. Since their marriage they have owned and operated a farm in Henry County, and are substantial members of their community. They belong to the Presbyterian Church, and the father is a democrat. Their four children were: Bessie, wife of Benjamin Bechtol, of Deshler, Ohio; Rosella, wife of Alfred Market, of Essex, Ontario, Canada; S. A., a farmer in Henry County; and Robert J.

Robert J. Bissonnette was reared on the home farm, attended the public schools and also attended a typographical school at Charles City, Iowa.

Mr. Bissonnette was a member of the first detachment that left Fulton County in 1917 for service in the national army. He saw most of the strenuous fighting in which the American forces participated in France, being with the Thirty-eighth Infantry of the Third Division at Chateau Thierry, the campaign of the Argonne, and after the signing of the armistice spent eight months with the Army of Occupation in Germany. During the greater part of that time he was foreman in the plant of an Army of Occupation newspaper called "The Watch on the Rhine."

Mr. Bissonnette had been a printer and member of the staff of the Fulton County Tribune before going into the war. He has been editor of the Tribune since August, 1920. The Tribune is now the only republican newspaper in Fulton County.

On July 12, 1922, Mr. Bissonnette married Miss Gertrude M. Seeley, a graduate of the Delta High School. They have one daughter, Alice L., born December 9, 1923. Mr. Bissonnette is affiliated with Wauseon Lodge No. 349, Free and Accepted Masons; Royal Arch Chapter No. 111; Wauseon Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masters; Defiance Commandery No. 130, Knights Templars; Toledo Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and the Knights of Pythias.

Joseph Richardson Miller. At the age of four score Joseph Richardson Miller is retired, but takes a keen interest in the present as well as the past. His has been a life of fruitful activity, most of it spent in Northern Ohio and in the County of Lorain. He still makes his home on his farm near Amherst in that county.

Mr. Miller was born in Winlaton, in County Durham, England, January 14, 1843, son of James and Mary Ann (Young) Miller. In 1845 his parents set out on a ship bound for the United States, and six weeks later landed at Philadelphia. From there they went on to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. James Miller was a blacksmith by trade, and at Pittsburgh he operates a foundry, using the old hand process of forging nails, ornamental chains and similar materials. In 1857 he again set out, traveling by stage overland to Akron, Ohio, and thence by passenger canal boat to Cleveland. At that time there were two docks on the east side of the river in what was then known as Ohio City, and on the west side were two warehouses where wheat was unloaded from boats by hand. On the flats James Miller built a shop, expecting much business, but failing health interferred and he went to work for Mr. Whipple, a lumberman. It was in the agreement that James Miller was to secure a couple of boat loads of shingle bolts to make shingles. However, death overtook him before he had established himself in a permanent degree of prosperity. His widow subsequently married John Wilford, of Amherst Township, Lorain County, a cattle trader.

In the meantime Joseph Richardson Miller had achieved the age of nine years. His education was limited to a few brief terms in the local schools. He became a farm worker, and at the age of fourteen went to work on the farm of Morrison Hickox in Sheffield Township, at a wage of seven dollars a month during the summer. In the spring of 1858, when he was fifteen years old, he began an apprenticeship to learn the blacksmithing and horseshoeing trades at Amherst in the shop of James Gahn. Eighteen months later he had so advanced in proficiency that he started a shop of his own. At that time the blacksmith was still a worker in iron in the older sense. He made horseshoes by hand, also hammered out all the horseshoe nails. He was paid $1 for shoeing horses and 50 cents for resetting the shoes.

He had not been long in his shop when the Civil war broke out, and he enlisted in the Fifteenth Ohio Battery. After physical examination, however, he was rejected. He then entered a school at Oberlin, attending three months, until his money ran out, and then he sawed wood for 50 cents a cord to continue his education for three months more.

On leaving Oberlin Mr. Miller went to Norwalk, Ohio, arriving there at nine in the evening and paying his last twenty-five cents for dinner. Then leaving his satchel as security for board, he soon negotiated a job at blacksmithing. Two months later a man from Spears Corners came to secure his services as a blacksmith at $2.50 a day. He next worked at his trade for N. H. Prebbles, with whom he remained until April, 1863, when he married Miss Vandalia Warner. She was born in Brownhelm Township of Lorain County, and died in the fall of 1867.

After his marriage Mr. Miller worked on a farm in Amherst Township for his wife's parents, and then for three years rented the farm of 190 acres, after which he bought the place. This has been his home now over half a century. He remained with his wife's parents until their death. In 1877 he married Miss Adeline Munger, who was born near Lake Champlain in Vermont, daughter of Joel and Sarah (Dean) Munger. Mr. Miller as a farmer made a substantial success and continued his supervision of the farm until 1911, when he turned it over to his sons. His second wife died in 1911. Mr. Miller had served as township trustee, and as a member of the school board, and the election board. He is a republican,

and is affiliated with the Stonington Lodge of Masons at Cleveland.

His children are: Joseph Richardson, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Mary, wife of Thomas Ward Burnett, who is in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, now stationed at Portland, Oregon; William A., an attorney at Amherst; Norman B., one of the sons on the home farm; Jane A., wife of Stanford Dewey France, of Brooklyn, New York; and Gamalia Robert, on the home farm.

HARRY D. WINTRINGER. One of the more important industrial enterprises that contribute to the commercial prestige of the City of Steubenville, Jefferson County, is that of the Steubenville Pottery Company, and when it is stated that Mr. Wintringer is president of this company it becomes at once evident that he is to be noted as one of the representative business men of his native city. On both the paternal and maternal sides Mr. Wintringer is a scion of pioneer families of the Buckeye State, his paternal grandparents, John and Margaret Wintringer, having come from Pennsylvania to Ohio about the year 1820, and his maternal grandparents, William and Margaret Donaldson, likewise having been early settlers in this state.

Harry D. Wintringer was born and reared at Steubenville and after his graduation from the local high school, when nineteen years of age, he took a course in mechanical engineering in the celebrated Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in the City of Boston. There he continued his studies until 1883, but was not graduated. Upon his return to Steubenville he entered the pottery plant conducted by his uncle, learned all details of the business and eventually acquired an interest in the concern, in which he now owns the controlling interest. He is now president of the Steubenville Pottery Company, which carries forward, upon an extensive scale, the business that was founded many years ago by his uncle, William B. Donaldson. This pottery is widely known for its high grade and beautiful products, and special attention is given to the output of finer dinner ware of the most artistic type. The trade of the company has been extended into the most diverse sections of the United States, and an appreciable export business likewise is controlled.

Mr. Wintringer is a loyal and valued member of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce, and takes deep interest in all things touching the welfare and advancement of his native city. He is a member of the local Rotary Club, and also of the Century Club and the Steubenville Country Club. He and his wife hold membership in Westminster Presbyterian Church in their home city.

In 1898 Mr. Wintringer married Miss Maude C. Mooney, daughter of William H. and Amanda C. Mooney, and she is survived by two sons, Robert and David. Robert Wintringer was a student in Princeton University at the time when the nation became involved in the World war, and there he served as a member of the Student Officers' Training Corps. He was graduated in that university as a member of the class of 1922 and with the degree of Bachelor of Science. He and his wife, whose maiden name was Mary McIlwraith, reside at Steubenville. David, the younger son, is at the time of this writing, in 1924, a student in historic old Virginia Military Institute. Mrs. Maude C. (Mooney) Wintringer is survived also by three brothers and two sisters, namely: Robert J., who is engaged in newspaper work in the City of Chicago, Illinois; William M., who married Miss Bess Mercer, and who is now postmaster in the City of Washington, D. C.; Hervey, who likewise resides in the national capital; Nellie, who is the wife of A. S. Freeman and has two sons; and Mabel, who is the wife of L. L. Grimes.

The second marriage of Mr. Wintringer was with Miss Blanche Wood, a daughter of Joseph M. and Ellen Wood, of Morgantown, West Virginia, the mother being now deceased and the only other surviving child being Daisy, wife of Lewis W. Beall, of Washington, D. C. Mr. and Mrs. Wintringer have three children: Harry D., Jr., Eleanor and Margaret.

Capt. Nathan Wintringer, whose death occurred in 1886, was the father of Harry D., of this sketch, and virtually his entire active career was given to service as captain on vessels plying the Ohio River. He was an earnest member of the Presbyterian Church, as is also his widow, who is now venerable in years, her maiden name having been Elizabeth Donaldson. Of the children the eldest is George, who married Mary Finley; Madge is the wife of W. R. Chapman; Mary is the widow of George W. Wood; and Lucy is the wife of E. T. Barron.

JAMES W. HANNA. Hanna has been an honored and respected name in Henry County for seventy years or more. Men of that name have been successful in business and agricultural pursuits, and have rendered many years of official service in home community and county. James W. Hanna, founder of the Village of McClure in Henry County, has been mayor both of that village and of Napoleon, and is still active in public affairs.

He is of Scotch ancestry, and his family is related to that of the late Mark Hanna, whose people were pioneers in Eastern Ohio. J. W. Hanna was born in Scotland, and came to the United States with five brothers. He acquired land at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, where he spent the rest of his life. He married in America Louise Clendennen, a native of the north of Ireland. Several of their sons lived around Millersburg, Ohio. David Hannah, father of James W. Hanna, was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, and as a young man moved to Holmes County, Ohio, where he married Elizabeth McClain. She was born in Jefferson County, Ohio, daughter of Robert and Rachel (Barton) McClain, of Scotch-Irish ancestry. David Hanna learned the printer's trade, and for several years was foreman for the Statesman's Manual at Columbus. Losing his health, he returned to Henry County, and spent the rest of his active life cultivating his farm and for twenty-three years taught in one school district. He was also justice of the peace, being succeeded in that office by his son, James W. He was a leader in the republican party, and he and his wife were active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was an ordained minister of that church. Of the eight children born to David Hanna and wife two are now living, James W. and Edward A., the latter a contractor living at Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

James W. Hanna was born in Wood County, Ohio, July 12, 1851, and spent his early life on his father's farm in Damascus Township of Henry County. He attended the district schools and a select school at Grand Rapids, Ohio, and taught one or more terms of school. At the age of twenty-one he was elected clerk of Damascus Township and subsequently succeeded his father as justice of the peace. In 1883 Mr. Hanna laid out and incorporated the Village of McClure, becoming its first mayor, and held that office until 1890, when he removed to Napoleon, having been elected county recorder. He served two consecutive terms, six years, and subsequently was for nine years a member of the City Council. In 1913 he was elected mayor of Napoleon, and was head of the municipal government four years, including the World war period. For several years he has been justice of the peace in Napoleon. In a business way Mr. Hanna has been identified with real estate for thirty or forty years, and his operations have covered all of Henry County. Mr. Hanna is a democrat in

politics, and is affiliated with Napoleon Lodge No. 156, Free and Accepted Masons, Holly Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, is a past noble grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and a past chief patriarch of Maumee Encampment. He helped organize the Knights of Pythias Lodge of McClure, and was its first chancellor commander, and is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Napoleon. His wife was a member of the Eastern Star.

Mr. Hanna married at Millersburg, in Holmes County, Ohio, Lucy V. Teisher, who was born in that county in 1857, daughter of Joshua and Louisa (Miller) Teisher. Her father's people were a slaveholding family in Maryland, and her father after his marriage came to Ohio. He was a carpenter contractor. Mrs. Hanna died December 8, 1922. She was the mother of two children. The only daughter, Helen L., was a graduate of the Napoleon High School, and was a finished musician, a performer on the violin and a beautiful singer. She was married to Fred W. Gillette, of Chicago, and she died December 8, 1914, at the age of thirty-one.

The only son of Mr. Hanna is Ortez Clay Hanna, who was born in the Village of McClure, was educated in the Napoleon High School, and made a successful record as manager of his father's farm, handling high grade livestock, thoroughbred Jerseys and Poland China hogs. He married Mattie J. Brayer, of Henry County.

Theodore F. Moore, present postmaster of Hicksville, has been one of the prominent business men of Defiance County for a number of years. His early life was identified with a farm in Defiance County.

He was born in Noble County, Ohio, March 7, 1871, son of James and Elizabeth (Lindsey) Moore. His parents were born and reared in the same county, married there, and in August, 1871, when their son Theodore was six months old, they moved to Defiance County and located on a farm near Hicksville. That was their home, and the father engaged in farming until about 1908. The mother died at the old homestead in Defiance County December 28, 1906. James Moore now lives at old Washington, in Guernsey County, and has served as mayor of that town. He is a member of the Masonic Order and the United Brethren Church. Of four children born to the parents three are now living: Theodore F.; L. H., of Fort Wayne, Indiana; and Mary, wife of Henry Cary, of Defiance County.

Theodore F. Moore grew up on the farm near Hicksville, attended the common schools, and until he was twenty-eight his working interests were in the rural district. He then moved to Antwerp, Ohio, and was in the retail notion business for seven years. Selling out his store, he resumed farming for two years, and then took up life insurance, for five years being the local representative of the Bankers Life Insurance Company and the Lincoln Life Insurance Company of Fort Wayne, Indiana. After leaving the insurance business and locating in Hicksville, Mr. Moore was on the road as a salesman, and has proved an efficient business builder for every company he has represented. He gave up his business when appointed postmaster of Hicksville.

Mr. Moore married Miss Maggie Kanine. They have three children: Edith L., who is chief operator of the local telephone exchange at Hicksville; Olen L., who graduated from high school at the age of seventeen and is in the decorating business at Hicksville; and Fordyce D., a graduate of high school. The family are members of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Moore is a Mason, and has been active in the republican party for many years, serving for fifteen years as a member of the Defiance County Central Committee.

Ray S. Mann has been one of the public-spirited and enterprising younger men in the business affairs and civic life of the Holgate community of Henry County. He is a banker, being cashier of the Commercial State Bank of Holgate, and at all times has been a leader in civic and political affairs.

He was born at Napoleon, Ohio, October 1, 1881, son of A. N. and Fannie (Grosscup) Mann. His father was born in Napoleon, December 2, 1857, and his mother, in Pennsylvania, in 1860. A. N. Mann was reared in Napoleon, was educated in the public schools, and after his marriage engaged in the tailoring trade and business at Napoleon until the spring of 1890, when he moved to Holgate. At Holgate he was a clothing merchant and tailor for a number of years. He is now retired. He is a Mason and a republican, and his wife is a member of the Presbyterian Church. They have two sons, Ray S. and Elsworth. The latter is a graduate of the Holgate High School and is now in Toledo, traffic manager of the France Stone Company and in charge of sales for railroad ballasts.

Ray S. Mann spent the first nine years of his life at Napoleon, and since then has lived at Holgate. He finished his education in the Holgate High School, and learned the tailor's trade under his father. He was associated with his father in business until 1918, when he accepted the post of cashier in the Commercial State Bank of Holgate. He is also a stockholder in that bank. In the meantime Mr. Mann has accumulated a number of other interests and demands upon his time and attention. For twelve years he was corporation clerk of Holgate, is a member of the Henry County Republican Central Committee, and is a member of the official board of the English Lutheran Church. He is a past master of Holgate Lodge No. 553, Free and Accepted Masons, is a past worthy patron of the Eastern Star Chapter, and a member of Holly Chapter No. 136, Royal Arch Masons, and Defiance Commandery No. 30, Knights Templar.

Mr. Mann married Miss Anna Voigt, of Holgate, a graduate of the high school there. They have three sons, all attending the grade schools, named Howard, Rayburn and Eugene.

William Franklin Wise is a Doctor of Veterinary Surgery, and is one of the outstanding figures in that profession in the State of Ohio. He does a large practice in Medina County, and has held official relations with the various veterinary organizations in the state.

He was born on a farm in Medina County, July 17, 1883, son of Jacob M. and Amelia (Helmick) Wise. Both his parents were born in Summitt County, Ohio, the Wise family being of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry. His father was a farmer and teaming contractor, and is now deceased. Of the three children William F. and a brother survive.

Doctor Wise grew up on a farm, and learned his first lessons in a country school. He attended the high school at Barberton in Summitt County, and while working in the day completed a course in a business college of Akron by attending night classes. He clerked in a store at Akron, also at Barberton, and in this way secured the means to put him through the Ontario Veterinary College, one of the best schools of the kind in America. He was graduated in 1907, and after post-graduate studies in the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, he began practice at Barberton. He was there a year, spent two years at Seville in Medina County, and since June 3, 1910, has had his office and headquarters in the City of Medina.

Doctor Wise is president of the North Central Ohio Veterinary Association, is vice-president of the Northwest Ohio Veterinary Association, is a member

of the executive committee of the Ohio State Association and a member of the American Veterinary Association. In addition to his professional prominence he has interested himself in a number of important business and civic affairs at Medina. He helped organize and is a director of the Citizens Savings and Loan Company, is a director of a manufacturing company, and as chief of the volunteer fire department since 1912, has done much to perfect the equipment and discipline of that service. He is a republican in politics, a member of the Congregational Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic and Odd Fellows orders and is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias Lodge. In 1906 Doctor Wise married Catherine Seiberling, of Barberton. They have an adopted son, Ralph.

THOMAS O. ARMSTRONG is a native of Van Wert County, has spent his life there as a capable and industrious citizen, and for ten years has filled the office of postmaster at Middlepoint.

He was born in Washington Township, June 17, 1883, son of Lafayette and Elizabeth (Shrider) Armstrong. His father was born in the same township and county, and his mother was also a native of Ohio. She died in 1891. They were reared on farms, educated in public schools, and were married at Middlepoint and then settled on the farm in Washington Township where Lafayette Armstrong still resides. However, most of his time is devoted to his duties as rural mail carrier on route No. 2 out of Middlepoint. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, and has filled chairs in the Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Improved Order of Red Men. He is a democrat in politics. Of the four children born to the parents three are living: Thomas O.; Luther A., employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Middlepoint; and Fern, wife of L. R. Evans, of Middlepoint.

Thomas O. Armstrong spent the first twenty years of his life on his father's farm, shared in its work and attended the district schools. He then learned the carpenter's trade, becoming a very skilled workman, and that was the source of his livelihood until he began his duties as postmaster. He is a democrat, and was appointed early in the Wilson administration, in 1913. He served eight years under two appointments from President Wilson, and was reappointed under Harding's administration.

Mr. Armstrong married Miss Grace E. Rarick. They have five children, Dorothy and Ruth, both attending high school, Mildred and Alice and Altha, twins, in the grade schools. The family are members of the Lutheran Church, Mr. Armstrong being an elder. He is a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias and a past noble grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

EUGENE LEIGHTON ARNOTT, a business man and manufacturer of Greenfield, was one of the originators of a unique industry there known as the Every Ready Can Company.

Mr. Arnott was born near Greenfield, May 11, 1865, and passed his early youth on a farm that has been in the Arnott family for over a century. His grandfather was born in Scotland, about 1791, and came to America and settled near Baltimore. At the age of twenty-one he enlisted as an American soldier for the War of 1812, and for many years was a successful physician engaged in practice near Baltimore and was living there when he died in 1853. His wife, Jane Arnott, was born in 1791 and died in 1867. John Arnott, father of Eugene L., was born near Greenfield, Ohio, in 1826, and spent his life on the farm that has been in the family through three generations. He died in 1896. His wife, Louise McMulen, was born on a farm near Greenfield, in 1829, and died in 1901. She was a graduate of the Greenfield Seminary and of the academy at Salem, Ohio.

Eugene Leighton Arnott attended the district schools in Highland County, graduated from the academy at Salem in 1887, and continued his education in Wooster University at Wooster, Ohio. He and his brother, the late John Scott Arnott, were the originators of a patented oil can, which is the chief product of manufacture of the Every Ready Can Company. This is a pneumatic oil can, used formerly for kerosene, with a device that makes it very convenient in filling lamps. The first patent was taken out in 1891, and in 1914 the Arnotts patented what they claimed to be an improved device. This is now successfully marketed all over the United States by the Ever Ready Can Company, of which Eugene Leighton Arnott has been sole owner and general manager since the death of his brother.

Mr. Arnott is a republican, a member of the Woodmen of the World and the Twentieth Century Club. He has never married. His only sister is Miss Jessie Marie Arnott, formerly a teacher in the Nelson Business College of Cincinnati. His brother, the late John Scott Arnott, died in 1920, and had for many years been a prominent and highly esteemed citizen of Greenfield, where he served as superintendent of the public schools of the city in addition to his interests as a manufacturer. He married in 1901 Miss Alice Waddell, who had for several years taught in schools at Greenfield.

HON A. A. MAYSILLES has given more than thirty years of a busy lifetime to the cause of education. For ten years he has been superintendent of schools of Montgomery County, and during that time a resident of the City of Dayton.

Mr. Maysilles was born on a farm in Lanier Township, Preble County, Ohio, April 21, 1870, a son of Benjamin F. and Rachael (De Vinney) Maysilles. The parents spent their last years with their son at Dayton. Benjamin Maysilles was born in Washington County, Maryland, and his wife, in Montgomery County, Ohio, where they were married. In 1868 they moved to Preble County, where Benjamin Maysilles followed his trade as a skilled blacksmith, and was a farmer when he retired at about sixty years of age.

Andrew A. Maysilles was educated in the public schools of Preble and Montgomery counties. He attended the high school at Brookville and completed his education in the Ohio Normal University at Ada, Ohio, where he took one year of the law course, and graduated in the normal and science departments in 1891. He subsequently spent some time at Miami University.

His early work as a teacher was in Randolph, Madison and Clay townships of Montgomery County. For five years he taught in the Clay Township High School and, beginning in 1899, he was the superintendent of the Brookville schools for fifteen years.

In August, 1914, he entered upon the duties of his present office as superintendent of the schools of Montgomery County. This is one of the richest counties in the state and has long taken pride in its educational facilities. Consequently, the position of Mr. Maysilles is one of leadership in Ohio education affairs. When he became county superintendent there was not a centralized school in the county. Today, 1924, eleven of the fourteen townships composing the school district of Montgomery County have either centralized or consolidated their schools. In the last six years there have been built twenty-eight new school buildings, with three more yet to complete, in his territory. He has within his jurisdiction seventeen

high schools, sixteen of which are of the first grade, about 13,000 children, 401 teachers and thirteen superintendents.

He is a member of the Ohio State Teachers' Association and the National Educational Association, and is interested in all causes for the advancement of the educational program of the state.

Mr. Maysilles is politically inclined, and was a candidate for the nomination for Congress in the Third Congressional District. He has been actively identified with the temperance movement, and for several years served as chairman of the Ohio Dry Federation.

He is a member of the Oak Street United Brethren Church at Dayton, and has served as teacher of the men's class in its Sunday school, enrolling 200 men, for ten years. He is a member of the Grange, the Knights of Pythias, the Odd Fellows, the Junior Order United American Mechanics, the Scottish Rite and the Shrine.

He is a democrat in politics, and served as mayor of the Village of Brookville, Ohio.

Mr. Maysilles married, October 6, 1901, Miss Mary Alice McNelly, the daughter of Warren and Sarah (Cloppert) McNelly, of Brookville. With Mr. and Mrs. Maysilles live his mother, Rachael Maysilles, and a foster child, Sarah Ellen Wright.

William Edward Lucas. A native son of Springfield, William Edward Lucas, a civil engineer of experience, is holding the office of chief engineer of Springfield under the commission form of government, and is regarded as one of the able men of his calling, and a worthy citizen of Clark County. He was born October 2, 1886, and has resided at his native city all of his life. He is a son of Richard Rushville and Mary Elizabeth (McComb) Lucas, the former of whom died November 15, 1914, the latter having passed away January 26 of the same year. They had six children, namely: William Edward, who was the eldest; Albert Lester, who is married; Charles Mitchell, who is also married; Robert Rushville, who is unmarried; Richard Stanley, who is married; and Helen Elizabeth, who is unmarried. For a number of years the father was a carpenter and woodworker, later he became a contractor and builder, and still later was superintendent of the woodworking department of the Springfield Metallic Casket Company. He was a staunch republican, and was very active on the City Central Committee of his party, and he also belonged to the State Central Committee, and frequently served as a delegate to the city conventions at a time antedating the present method of nominating candidates. At one time he was a member of the school board, but while he was so active in politics he never sought or desired office, preferring to work in the ranks for the success of the party, which in his estimation embodied the highest ideals of public service. Fraternally he affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of the Golden Eagle. Always active in church work, he was for a long period superintendent of the Sunday School of Christ Episcopal Church, to which all of the family belonged. The Lucas family originated in Holland, while the McCombs were Scotch-Irish in descent. The maternal grandfather was Mitchell McComb.

After leaving the Springfield High School in 1903, William Edward Lucas spent a few months in working at whatever came to his hand, and then, in 1905, he entered upon a career which was to bring him success and prestige, as an employee of the city engineer's office. While he was serving as rodman and chainman he took up night work and studied draughting in the night school of the Young Men's Christian Association, and further pursued his studies with a correspondence course in engineering with the International Correspondence School of Scranton, Pennsylvania. Mr. Lucas worked his way up through all of the stages of city engineering, and in July, 1920, his ability was recognized by his appointment as chief engineer of the city, following the adoption by the city of the commission manager form of government in the fall of 1913, and he is still holding that important office. During the late war he was placed in the fourth class and was not called into the service.

On October 14, 1914, Mr. Lucas married, at Springfield, Miss Minna Geron, a daughter of Frantz and Mary Regina (Krupp) Geron, both of whom were born in Germany. When he was eighteen years old he came to the United States with an elder brother; and she came to this country with her parents when she was ten years old. Mr. Geron was a merchant tailor by trade. He and his wife had six children born to them: Elizabeth Regina, who is married; Adam William, who is deceased; Mary, who is deceased; George Henry, who is married; Emma Margaret, who is unmarried; and Mrs. Lucas, who is the youngest. They all belong to the Lutheran Church. Both Mr. and Mrs. Geron are still living. Mr. and Mrs. Lucas have no children. He belongs to the Episcopal Church, but his wife is a Lutheran. High in Masonry he has been advanced through the thirty-second degree in that order, and he also belongs to the Mystic Shrine and the Council and Chapter. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a past exalted ruler of the Springfield lodge. Through the medium of the Chamber of Commerce he keeps in touch with the advancement of the city along commercial lines, and is otherwise active in promoting its welfare and aiding in its development, for he takes a pride in it and what has been accomplished through his office in its behalf.

Dr. Harry A. Neiswander, one of the leading and competent physicians and surgeons of Pandora, Ohio, was born on a farm in Hancock County, Ohio, on the 26th of September, 1881, and is the son of Joshua and Susan (Blosser) Neiswander, well known and respected citizens. The father was born in Allen County, Ohio, near Bluffton, and was reared on his father's farm. His wife, Susan, was born on a farm near Pandora, Putnam County, but when she was only four years old her father died, during an epidemic of smallpox, and she was taken by her uncle and reared until she was ten years old, when her mother remarried and she went back and grew to maturity under the care of her mother. She received her first educational training under the guidance of her uncle, Christopher Steiner, but afterwards finished under her mother's jurisdiction. Soon after Joshua and Susan were married they secured and settled on a farm in the south part of Hancock County, Ohio, and there they have passed the remainder of their lives engaged in farming. Both are yet alive and are leading and spirited citizens and courteous and agreeable neighbors.

Joshua and Susan Neiswander became the parents of eleven children, as follows: Harry A., subject; Lois, who taught in the rural schools for a number of years, became the wife of Melville Bushong, now owner and manager of a garage at New Stark, Ohio; Leo C., who is a successful practicing physician at Ada, Ohio; Claud R., who is a graduate of Ohio State University with the degree of Master of Arts and is now in the service of the Ohio state government as an expert in experimental agricultural work; Stella, who is an Ada High School graduate, taught in the rural schools several years and then became the wife of Frank E. Freed, now a successful dentist at Forest, Ohio; Edgar is a graduate of the veterinary department of Ohio State University and is located at Kenton, Ohio, where he is engaged in a good practice

of his profession; Byron, a graduate of the Ada High School and also of Ohio State University with a Liberal Arts degree, is now a senior student in the medical department of Ohio State University; Ralph is a graduate of the Ada High School and is now a freshman in agriculture at Ohio State University; Una is a graduate of the Ada High School, taught in the rural schools for a few years and is now a senior student in the Nurses' Training School of Findlay Home and Hospital. The others are deceased.

Dr. Harry A. Neiswander was educated in the grade and normal schools at New Stark, Ohio, in the Tri-State Normal School at Angola, Indiana, and at Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1907. He taught school for a period of five years, a portion of this time in the rural schools, and one year in the New Holland High School. Following this he entered medical school at Cleveland, Ohio, where he graduated with the class of 1912 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Soon afterward he located at Pandora, Ohio, opened his offices and began the practice of both medicine and surgery, and has continued the same up to the present time. He has on different occasions taken post-graduate work at the New York Post-Graduate Medical School, and visited clinics at Boston and Mayo's of Rochester, Minnesota. He is a member of the county, state and national medical societies, and has built up a good practice and has won the confidence of the community and the consideration of his fellow practitioners. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club at Ottawa, Ohio, is a democrat, and is interested in the success of his party tickets at the various elections in county and state. He married Miss Rosella Spacht, a teacher in the public schools of Hancock County, in 1907. Miss Spacht was educated in the public and normal schools of New Stark, Ohio, and continued her schooling at Adrian, Michigan, and at the Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio. They have three children, Allen, Lois and Claud. They are active members and supporters of the Methodist Episcopal Church and its subsidiary organizations.

Doctor Neiswander is a member of both the Putnam County and the Riley Township Boards of Education, and takes an active part in the affairs of the community.

HARRY STONEBRAKER, for two and one-half years superintendent of the city water department of Steubenville, has been identified with contracting and building work since early manhood.

He is a native of Jefferson County, Ohio, born near Two Ridge Church, September 30, 1870, son of John D. and Margaret A. (Baim) Stonebraker. His great-grandfather came from Germany in 1806 and settled in Jefferson County, where he was a pioneer. The grandparents of Harry Stonebraker were John D. and Rebecca Stonebraker, the former a native of Jefferson County. The maternal grandparents were William Vincent and Elizabeth Leonard Baim. The Baims settled in Maryland about 1817, and came to Jefferson County, Ohio, in 1830. John D. Stonebraker was a coal miner in early life, and for many years engaged in gardening. He is a veteran of the Civil war, having been a member of the Fifth Ohio Cavalry. He was captured and confined in Libby Prison for about ninety days. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Methodist Episcopal Church. His wife died in October, 1910. Of their three children Harry is the oldest. William M., of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, married Ada McQueen and has two children, named Lawrence and Dorothy. The daughter, Minnie, is the wife of George Allen, her four children being Mabel, Beulah, Harold and Robert.

Harry Stonebraker was educated in the country schools, leaving school at the age of eighteen years to take up construction of macadamized roads in Jefferson County, which he followed for a period of three years, helping to build eighty-five miles of road in Jefferson County, Ohio, starting as a laborer and advancing to general foreman. In December, 1893, he went to California and worked on grain and fruit ranches in Tulare County, staying there until 1897, and then returning to Ohio he was employed on the Pennsylvania Railroad west of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on bridge construction work for double tracking. Having finished this work he went to Butler County, Pennsylvania, to act as foreman on the construction of the Bessemer & Lake Erie Railroad between the Allegheny River and Butler. After completion of this work he was employed on the improvement of the Erie Canal for the Furnaceville Iron Company between Buffalo and Albany. After the conclusion of that work he came back to Jefferson County and found employment in the Mingo Junction Iron & Steel Company's plant at Mingo, where he worked until the Carnegie Steel Company took over the plant and was retained on various jobs for the new company until he settled in Steubenville, Ohio, to engage in contracting for general stone and concrete and excavating, which he followed for one year. Then he was employed by T. J. Stringer & Company on the building of the Wellsbergh & Wheeling Traction Company's lines. After completing this work he returned to Steubenville and formed a partnership with Frank X. Stecker to do general stone and concrete work, later merging their interests in the Steubenville Stone Company, which he had incorporated as the Steubenville Stone Company. Mr. Stonebraker was elected the first president and general manager, which position he held until 1912, when he sold out his interests and went into the general contracting business, thus continuing until he was appointed by Mayor Hawkins as superintendent of the city water works, which position he held for two and one-half years, from January 1, 1922, to May 1, 1924, resigning from this position to take up brick and stone work, which he is now following.

Mr. Stonebraker is affiliated with the Masons, being a member of Steubenville Lodge No. 45, Free and Accepted Masons, and of Chapter No. 15, Royal Arch Masons; also of the Eastern Star, and Scottish Rite Masons. He is also a member of the Junior Order of American Mechanics, the Sons of Veterans and Modern Woodmen; also member of the Bricklayers and Masons Local No. 14. In politics he is a republican.

Mr. Stonebraker married, October 28, 1903, at Steubenville, Miss Frieda Hout, daughter of George A. and Elizabeth E. Gille Hout. She is a member of the Christian Church and is affiliated with the following fraternities: Eastern Star, Daughters of America, Royal Neighbors of America, Sons of Veterans Auxiliary, and Damascus Shrine, Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. Stonebraker have seven children: John A., Elizabeth M., Otis H., Dana F., Louise, and Paul and Pauline, twins.

NETTIE BROMLEY LOUGHEAD, member of the Ohio State Senate from Hamilton County and one of the first women ever elected to the Ohio Legislature, has for many years been a leader in woman's circles and movements in Cincinnati, but many have regarded as her chief distinction the fact that her participation in politics has revealed no over-emphasis or bias that could be charged to sex.

Senator Loughead is a daughter of Robert and Hannah Bromley, of Cincinnati, both of whom came from England. Her grandfather Bromley was a pioneer in the pottery industry at Cincinnati, and her

father for many years followed the same line of business and later became an importer of glassware, pottery and china, building up a comfortable fortune before he retired. Mrs. Loughead's parents are both deceased.

She was educated in the Sands School, Fourth Intermediate School and the Woodward High School, and on March 20, 1890, was married to Mr. C. W. Loughead. Mr. Loughead is president of the Loughead Dyeing and Dry Cleaning Company, and is regarded as one of Cincinnati's business leaders and most public spirited citizens. He has served as president of both the National and International Cleaners and Dyers associations. During the World war he was chairman of District D in the various drives, is a member of the Cincinnati Country Club, Business Men's Club, is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, a past president of the Cincinnati Kiwanis Club, lieutenant-governor for the Ohio Kiwanis Club, a director of the Anti-Tuberculosis League, and a member of the Advertising Club, and served as major on the program of Progress. Mr. and Mrs. Loughead have one child, Wilber Bromley Loughead, born November 15, 1891, and now associated with his father in business. He is a graduate of the Franklin School for Boys in Cincinnati, and on November 15, 1915, married Miss Ruth Campbell, of Chicago. The four grandchildren of Senator Loughead, all girls, are Jane, Nancy, Susan and Gayle.

Mrs. Loughead during the World war was one of the most active of all Ohio women in patriotic endeavors. During the war she was vice-chairman of District D for the Liberty Loan, Red Cross, Community Chest and other objects. She is a member of the Cincinnati Woman's Club, the Business Woman's Club and the Woman's City Club, and for eight years has been one of the directors. She was treasurer for one term and chairman of its ways and means committee for five years. She belongs to the Monday Lecture Club, the Tuesday Lecture Club and the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Loughead was the first woman in Ohio nominated by the republican party as a candidate for the State Senate. In the fall of 1923 she was elected to the Eighty-fifth General Assembly. In the following session she served on the following committees: benevolent institutions, labor, public health, prison and prison reforms and soldiers and sailors orphans home committee, being chairman of the last named, and was also on the committees of the initiative and referendum. At the close of the session she was chosen a member of the fact finding commision appointed by the Senate to investigate a minimum wage for women in industry, the report to be delivered at the following session of the Senate. Lieutenant-Governor Earl D. Bloom called Senator Loughead to preside over the Senate, and in doing so announced that she was the first woman ever called to preside over a legislative body in the world. In 1924 Senator Loughead received an endorsement for reelection by the republican party in Hamilton County, and was reelected by an overwhelming majority.

Naturally a great deal of attention has been paid to Senator Loughead's public opinions, and in judging her public record the most important consideration is, no doubt, her attitude toward public questions. On this matter the following quotation from one of her addresses is in point: "As one woman whose chief interest always has been and always will be in family life and who accepted an unsought public office as a civic duty, my brief experience in the Ohio Senate has convinced me that their participation in the Legislature will be a good thing for women and also a good thing for legislation. But I do not believe that participation in politics and government requires any change in the good old-fashioned standards of womanhood. A career in politics requires no sacrifice of womanly ideals. It is not necessary to become radical or mannish in order to serve the public and state. If the best influences of home and family life are to be brought to bear on the processes of law making and administration, which is my conception of woman's place in politics, we must see to it that the women chosen to public office truly represent the great body of home-loving, home-making women rather than isolated groups of extremists devoted to special interests, reforms or propaganda."

On another occasion Senator Loughead said: "To some persons my answer to the question, 'What did the women do in the Legislature?' will perhaps be disappointing. If it were expected that the women members would unite to enact a distinctly feminist program, I must frankly admit that no such purpose was achieved. And speaking for myself, I may go a step further and say that I do not think any such program was contemplated by any one except possibly a minority group of extremists. Neither did the women establish any sensational record as orators or debaters, but whatever the personal ambitions of the individual members may have been, it was quickly discovered after their first contact with legislative work that the only effective way to render service was as a representative of the people in the broadest sense—not as an advocate for any special interests, group or sex."

Later on her views with respect to a definite public question were stated as follows: "I think it appropriate at this time to say a word about the minimum wage, which was one of the important issues before the present General Assembly. As a member of the Senate Labor Committee, I am familiar with the entire history of this piece of legislation. On its face, the slogan of a decent living wage for women and children in industry is calculated to strike a sympathetic chord in every heart. The legislator, however, despite his or her decidedly human tendencies, is required to consider something else besides the mere sentimental side of the question. Moreover, the major political organizations, cognizant of the big questions demanding solution, set forth their policies in the party platform. This is a declaration of principles to which the candidates of that party are pledged, and loyalty to party is one of the first requirements under a governmental system resting on party responsibility. All of this brings me to the point that the republican party, which honored me with the nomination for State Senator, pledged itself in its platform of last fall not to the enactment of a minimum wage law, but to a full and impartial investigation of the subject by a duly authorized fact-finding commission. This pledge has been redeemed by the General Assembly through legislation creating an investigating commission. In the course of its adoption, however, there was considerable misrepresentation of the real issue and repeated charges of bad faith. I had no personal interest in the matter beyond doing my duty to the best of my ability and fulfilling my obligation of loyalty to my party and the people."

VANCE THOMAS GRIMES. The profession of civil engineering is one that attracts many young men when they are starting out on their careers, but not all are qualified for worthy participation in this calling. One who is singularly well equipped in this direction, by nature, inclination and training, is Vance Thomas Grimes, county engineer of Carroll County, whose experience included much valuable work in the army during the World war.

Mr. Grimes was born at West Middletown, Washington County, Pennsylvania, March 15, 1891, and is a son of Chester Larimer and Annetta (Farrer) Grimes, and a grandson of Thomas and Susannah Grimes and Samuel and Mary Farrer, all farming people who came from Independence Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania. Chester Larimer Grimes, who died in March, 1919, followed merchandising throughout his life, conducting dry goods, groceries and general stores at Atchison and Clayville, Pennsylvania. He was a member and elder of the United Presbyterian Church, and a man who was held in respect and esteem by his fellow-citizens in the several communities in which he made his home. He married Miss Annetta Bell Farrer, who survives him, and they became the parents of four children: Vance Thomas, Daisy Mary, Howard Samuel and Hazel Susannah, all of whom, except Howard Samuel, are unmarried.

Vance Thomas Grimes attended public school in Washington County, Pennsylvania, and the high school at Claysville, following which he took a preparatory course at Bethany College, West Virginia. He next matriculated in Pennsylvania State College, at the place of that name, located at almost the exact center of the Keystone State and forming the entire settlement at that place. He took a course in civil engineering and graduated with his degree in 1914. His first employment was with the State Highway Department, being in charge of a division at Little Washington, the site of Washington and Jefferson College, and after one year joined the American Gas and Electric Company, being engaged for two years in work between Wheeling and Canton, in charge of construction. He was superintendent of construction of $2,000,000, condensing and transforming the sub-station at Canton, Ohio, for the same company. In December, 1917, Mr. Grimes enlisted for service during the great World war, and was ordered for duty at once to the Chester shipyard, near Philadelphia, as one of five assistant superintendents of construction of the plant, under Supt. C. C. Campbell. This work did not seem to be active enough to suit Mr. Grimes' energetic nature, and after six months he entered the Regular Army and was sent to Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, to act both as a recruiting and training officer. He had classes of 160 raw recruits whom he put into shape, and as soon as they were able to drill he passed them on and took a new lot. This work he continued until he received orders from the chief engineer at Washington, D. C., transferring him to Camp Humphrey, Virginia, the Officer Engineers Training Camp, where he continued his labors until the signing of the armistice. He received his honorable discharge November 21, 1918.

At that time Mr. Grimes returned to his home, and, his father dying in March, 1919, he took charge of the elder man's business. However, he did not care for merchandising, and as soon as he could obtain a suitable price, in October of the same year, he disposed of the family's mercantile interests and closed up the estate. Mr. Grimes was married on December 31, 1919, and shortly thereafter took up his residence at Carrollton, where he was appointed first deputy county engineer He was elected county engineer in November, 1922, and has held that office ever since, having established a splendid record for efficient and faithful performance of duty. Mr. Grimes belongs to the United Presbyterian Church, to the Sigma Nu college fraternity, to the Masonic Blue Lodge and to the Rotary International at Carrollton.

On December 31, 1919, Mr. Grimes was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Charlotte Kemerer, of Carrollton, a daughter of Paul H. and Gertrude Amanda (Butler) Kemerer. She is a granddaughter of Rev. D. M. Kemerer, D. D., of the Pittsburgh Synod of the Lutheran Church, the oldest Doctor of Divinity in the service. He has been secretary of the Pittsburgh Synod for thirty-six years, is a member of the Board of Directors of Thiel College, Greenville, Pennsylvania, is secretary and a director of the Old Peoples' Home at Zelienople, Pennsylvania, and for the past twenty years has been first assistant auditor of the City of Pittsburgh. Mrs. Grimes' mother is a member of the Butler family, one of the oldest in Carroll County. Paul H. Kemerer is identified with the Free Press-Standard newspaper and president of the Building and Loan Company of Carrollton. He and his wife have four children: Elizabeth Charlotte, Alice D., George Duncan and Virginia. To Mr. and Mrs. Grimes there have been born three children: Vance Thomas, Jr., Paul Larimer and Charlotte Jane.

Carl Schuler has won a successful position as an attorney in his native town of Millersburg in Holmes County. He has been prosecuting attorney of the county, mayor of Millersburg, and is just now in the prime of his power and usefulness.

Mr. Schuler was born at Millersburg, February 11, 1879, son of Conrad and Hannah (Badd) Schuler. His parents were natives of Wurttemberg, Germany. His father was a participant in the German Revolution of 1848, and after the failure of that liberal movement he came to America in 1850, settling permanently at Millersburg. He engaged in the operation of a coal mine, later was in the grocery business until 1881, and then spent his last years retired on a farm until his death in 1897, at the age of sixty-seven. After coming to Millersburg he married the daughter of George Badd. She was fourteen years of age when her father came to America and settled in Holmes County. She is now eighty-two years old, and she reared nine out of the eleven children. Conrad Schuler was a democrat, and he and his wife were active members of the Lutheran Church.

Carl Schuler grew up on a farm, attending the country schools and graduated from the Millersburg High School. He supplemented these early advantages by subsequent courses in Wooster College and Western Reserve University. At the age of nineteen he began teaching, and for four years taught in country schools.

Mr. Schuler in 1904 was elected county clerk of Holmes County and reelected, and filled the office for six years. He was chosen on the democratic ticket.

In the meantime Mr. Schuler was diligently pursuing the study of law under Judge Wellington Stillwell, and in 1909 was admitted to the bar. He retired from office in 1911, engaged in the practice of law, and in 1912 was elected county prosecutor of Holmes County. He was reelected, serving four years. Since July, 1920, he has been engaged in an extensive general practice as senior member of the law firm of Schuler & Putnam.

Mr. Schuler has by appointment served two terms as city prosecutor at Millersburg, and in the fall of 1923 was elected mayor and is now the popular head of the town government. He is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows and the Elks. Mr. Schuler is unmarried.

William Nixon Crow. In the life and affairs of Holmes County William Nixon Crow has been a prominent factor more than thirty-five years. His first public office was that of postmaster of the Village of Mount Hope. He has been an attorney, merchant and a leader in affairs. He is the present judge of the Common Pleas Court of Holmes County.

Judge Crow was born on a farm in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, February 18, 1866. His parents, John N. and Malinda (Sprankle) Crow, were born in

Ohio, their respective parents having come to this state from Pennsylvania. The grandfather, William Crow, was a native of Pennsylvania, and on coming to Ohio settled in Holmes County. He was of Scotch ancestry, and he married a Miss Nixon, of Irish stock. They had seven children. Jacob Sprankle, father of Malinda Sprankle, was born in Pennsylvania, married a Miss Weaver, and they represented the Pennsylvania Dutch. Jacob Sprankle lived in Dover, Ohio, where he followed the trade of shoemaker.

John N. Crow, father of Judge Crow, was for many years a school teacher and farmer. After his marriage he lived for a time in Tuscarawas County, but when Judge Crow was three years old the family returned to Holmes County. There were seven children in the family.

William Nixon Crow was reared on a farm near Mount Hope, attended country schools and also the village schools of Mount Hope and Millersburg. His experience as a teacher in district schools covered two years. When he was about twenty-one years of age he had the distinction of being appointed postmaster of Mount Hope. He was the youngest postmaster appointed by Postmaster General Wanamaker. He was postmaster there four years. Subsequently he took the law course at the Ohio Normal University at Ada, graduating in 1898, and soon afterward engaged in practice at Millersburg. He was the only republican elected justice of the peace at Millersburg, and for fourteen consecutive years he held the office of superintendent of the Millersburg Water Works. He performed these duties in addition to his general law practice, and for a number of years was also proprietor of a jewelry store at Millersburg, and has had other business interests.

Judge Crow in 1918 was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court of Holmes County. He was chosen on the republican ticket over a normal democratic majority of 1,800, this being a distinctive compliment to him personally and to his well-known qualifications for the bench. Judge Crow took his seat in the office of judge February 9, 1919, for a term of six years, and he was reelected by about 800 majority. He is a Royal Arch Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias, and of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Judge Crow married in 1901 Miss Lucy Parkinson, of Millersburg. She was born and reared in that town.

Allen M. Rowe. Probably the most nearly indispensable man in the business and civic affairs of Coalton in Jackson County is Allen M. Rowe. Mr. Rowe is young, a dynamo of energy, and has more business to attend to in the course of a day than any other man in that locality.

Mr. Rowe was born at Coalton, Jackson County, November 1, 1893, son of Jacob C. and Addie (McGhee) Rowe, and grandson of Christian and Mary Rowe, and Allen and Adeline McGhee. The Rowes came from Germany about 1840 and settled in Ohio. The McGhees are an old Virginia family. Addie (McGhee) Rowe died in January, 1900. Jacob C. Rowe is a coal operator in Jackson County, and has made himself quite active in local affairs, serving as a member of the school board. He is a Knight of Pythias and a member of the Lutheran Church. There are five children in the family: Allen M., Elsworth, who married Ida Durst; Harold, Merril and Arthur.

Allen M. Rowe was well educated, attending public school at Coalton, the high school at Jackson, and the Bliss Business College of Columbus. His first important business responsibility was as manager of the Twin-Ada Coal Company of Coalton. He still holds that responsibility. In January, 1914, he took the management of the Harper Coal Company, and served in that capacity for four years, until the company went out of business. Mr. Rowe in 1916 was appointed postmaster of Coalton, and that office likewise took up its share of his time and attention. He organized in 1916 the Pomeroy Colliery Company, of which he is secretary and treasurer.

On May 1, 1918, he enlisted in the navy as a landsman for yeoman, reporting for active duty July 9, 1918, at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. He was assigned to the auditing department in the Administration Building. In September, 1918, he took examination for entrance into the school for staff officers for ensigns in the Paymaster's Corps. He was admitted to the school November 1, 1918, at Princeton University, and stood third highest in 250. On the signing of the armistice ten days later he resigned before finishing the course and returned to civil life. He then resumed his place at Coalton, and in January, 1919, was again in full charge of the various duties he had performed before entering the service. He has since acquired additional responsibilties, having in October, 1921, been made president of the Jones Colliery Company. He was one of the organizers and is secretary and a director of the Milton Bank of Wellston, also an active officer and vice president of the United Coal & Coke Company, 824 Atlas Building, Columbus, Ohio, having organized said company.

On November 24, 1919, at Coalton, Mr. Rowe married Miss Toulon Haslett, daughter of Charles W. and Mary (Eversbaugh) Haslett. Her parents reside at Wellston, where her father is one of the most prominent men in this section of Ohio. He is a lumberman and dairyman, and at the age of twenty-one was elected county commissioner of Jackson County, being the youngest man ever to hold that office. He served two terms as mayor of Coalton, also two terms as mayor of Wellston, and was democratic candidate for Congress in 1911, and was candidate for the democratic nomination for lieutenant-governor in 1922. He is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason. In the Haslett family were four children, Mrs. Rowe being the third. The daughter Hazel married Frank Rhodes, and has one child, Thomas P. Chauncis is the widow of Earl Christman, who was killed by lightning, and she has one daughter, Helen. Piccola Haslett was with a party making the trip to Alaska in the summer of 1923, and while there she overtaxed herself and died December 13, 1923.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowe have one daughter, Marguerite Eleanor. They are active members of the Presbyterian Church. He is a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of the Elks and the Jackson County Country Club.

J. C. Robinson, who is one of the substantial representatives of farm enterprise in Van Buren Township, Putnam County, and who is serving loyally and effectively as township trustee (1923), was born in Miller Township, Richland County, Ohio, October 28, 1861. His father, William Robinson, passed his entire life in that township of Richland County, where his parents had pioneer prestige. William Robinson wedded Mary Kahl, who was born in the State of Pennsylvania and who was a child at the time when her parents came to Richland County, Ohio, and established their home in Miller Township, where she passed the remainder of her life, her husband having been one of the successful farmers of that county. They were consistent members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and William Robinson was an influential citizen of his native township, where he served for a number of terms as township trustee,

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his political support having been given to the republican party. He was a brother of General Robinson, who served as secretary of the State of Ohio and who was a representative in the United States Congress several terms.

The subject of this sketch is the eldest of the seven surviving members of a family of ten children. One of his brothers, F. S., represented Hancock County in the Ohio Legislature, and his death occurred March 1, 1922.

J. C. Robinson was reared on the old home farm in Richland County, and received the advantages of the public schools of the locality and period. At the age of twenty-one years he became identified with farm enterprise in Hancock County, where he continued his residence twelve years. He has since been numbered among the progressive and successful exponents of agricultural and live stock enterprise in Putnam County, where he is the owner of one of the well improved and productive farm estates in Van Buren Township. His high standing in the confidence and esteem of his home community is assured by his having served nineteen years as township trustee, notwithstanding the fact that he is a republican and the normal political complexion of the township is democratic in the strongest tone. At Leipsic Mr. Robinson is affiliated with the lodges of the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in the latter of which he is a past noble grand.

Mrs. Robinson, whose maiden name was Flora L. McClish, passed to the life eternal in 1915, and she is survived by children as follows: William, who is associated in the management of the home farm and who still remains a bachelor, gave twenty-three months of loyal service as a soldier in the World war, and was for twelve months of this period in active service with the American Expeditionary Forces in France; Paul, who likewise was a soldier in the United States Army in the World war period, is now a resident of Cleveland, Ohio; James M. resides in the City of Toledo; and Waldo and Olive remain at the paternal home. Paul, James, Waldo and Olive are graduates of the high school at Leipsic.

Earl H. Brigden is a lawyer and business man of Middlefield, Geauga County, and has been a prominent figure in that community for twenty years. He was born over in the adjoining county of Trumbull, and his people represented pioneer New England stock in the Western Reserve of Ohio.

His great-grandfather was a New England sailor, and died while mate on a ship plying between New Haven, Connecticut, and Liverpool, England. The grandfather, Charles A. Brigden, was born at New Haven, Connecticut, February 20, 1817, and when a youth of eighteen came to Ohio and located at Mesopotamia, in Trumbull County. For many years he was in business as a merchant there, was elected and served as county auditor of Trumbull County, and when the Civil war came on he became first lieutenant of Company I of the One Hundred-fifth Ohio Infantry. Four of his sons were also Union soldiers. After the war he was again in business as a merchant, and died at Mesopotamia September 29, 1887. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Masonic Order. His first wife was Mary Ann Sperry, by whom he had seven children, the sons being Howard, Edward, Irven, Charley and George, the latter of whom was killed while color bearer in General Hayes' regiment.

Howard A. Brigden, father of Earl H. Brigden, was born at Jefferson, Ashtabula County, Ohio, November 29, 1841, and was reared at Mesopotamia in Trumbull County. At the age of seventeen he began to learn the trade of carriage painter, and subsequently he took up stone and marble sculpture. He became one of the real artists in this business, and had unusual talent in several branches of fine arts. He was one of the first to enlist as a Union soldier from Trumbull County, joining a company of local militia on April 19, 1861. Subsequently this became Company B of the Twenty-third Ohio Infantry, the regiment of which McKinley and Hayes were members. While working in winter quarters his left arm was broken and in the spring of 1862 he returned home. Later he reentered the service as a clerk, and in 1864 he took the place of his brother George, who had been killed, as brigade color bearer on General Hayes' staff. In 1881 he removed to Michigan and assisted in the organization of Montmorency County, taking up 160 acres of timber land there. He was in Michigan until 1889, and served nearly throughout that period as a supervisor of the county. After selling his Michigan interests he returned to Mesopotamia and was engaged in farming and in his profession there until his death on September 24, 1913. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity, and a democrat in politics. In February, 1865, he married Elsie Belden, of Mesopotamia, daughter of Henry and Louisa (Woolcot) Belden. She was born July 13, 1842, and died at the home of her son Earl at Middlefield on September 22, 1922, aged eighty years. She was the mother of two children, Earl H. and George H. The latter was born July 13, 1875, and died August 17, 1908.

Earl H. Brigden was born at Mesopotamia, in Trumbull County, March 6, 1872, and from the age of nine to seventeen lived in Michigan. He was educated in public schools, graduating from the high school at Mesopotamia in 1891, and began the study of law in the offices of Osborne & Breed at Painesville. He was admitted to the bar June 7, 1894, and for a year and a half practiced at Warren, Ohio. After recovering from a long illness he again made his home at Mesopotamia until 1901, in which year he established his home and offices at Middlefield in Geauga County. Through these years he has had a large general practice in both branches of the law, and various business and public responsibilities have demanded his attention. For twenty-two years he has been manager of the Home Telephone Company at Middlefield. He is also a director of the Middlefield Banking Company, and for sixteen years has filled the office of justice of the peace. Mr. Brigden owns a farm at Middlefield, and has another farm at Mesopotamia, his birthplace.

He is a republican in politics, is a past chancellor commander of Middlefield Lodge No. 716, Knights of Pythias, but his chief interest outside of his profession and business is his home and family. On June 10, 1896, at Warren, Ohio, he married Miss Pearl Difford, a daughter of Edwin T. and Nettie (White) Difford, now deceased. Her father was a farmer at Mesopotamia, Ohio. The two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Brigden are Ernest, born September 19, 1908, and Charles E., born August 30, 1910.

Burton Case. One of the old, substantial families of Licking County, of New England ancestry, that of Case has been identified with the development of the Town of Granville for more than 100 years. For many years its present leading representative, Burton Case, practically retired, was an extensive farmer and fruit grower in this section of Licking County.

Burton Case was born at Granville, Ohio, July 27, 1851, a son of Lucius and Mary (Rose) Case, both of whom were born in Granville Township, where Lucius Case became a large farmer and raiser of fine stock. His great-grandfather, Major Grove Case, was a military man of note in Con-

necticut, and his son, Grove Case, Jr., a native also of Connecticut, came to Licking County with his father as a pioneer in 1808 and settled at Granville.

Lucius Case married Mary Rose, daughter of Captain Levi and Polly (Stowe) Rose, who came to Licking County from Granville, Massachusetts, with the first colony, in 1805, and established the Town of Granville, Ohio. They traveled by wagon from the old home to the new, consuming six weeks in making the journey. Capt. Levi Rose distinguished himself in the War of 1812. These sturdy, hard-working families with their substantial qualities have been represented here ever since, and still continue to be worth while people who enjoy universal esteem.

Burton Case grew up on his father's farm at Granville and completed his education in Denison University, which had been established at Granville in 1831, and afterward turned his attention to agricultural pursuits and for a number of years has been one of the leading fruit growers and orchardists in the county. He has always been more or less active in republican politics, and frequently has served in public capacities. For twenty years he was a trustee of Granville Township, and for many years also was a member of the Town Council and of the Board of Public Affairs. He is one of the trustees of Denison University.

Mr. Case was united in marriage with Miss Dora Howland, who was born in McKane Township, Licking County, Ohio, a daughter of John L. and Elma (Gosnell) Howland. John L. Howland was born in Virginia and came from there in early manhood to Ohio. He was a jeweler and artisan. The mother of Mrs. Case was born, like herself, in McKane Township, Licking County, and through her grandfather, Hon. Elias Howell, was a descendant of the Howells who came from England to the United States in 1637. Elias Howell, great-grandfather of Mrs. Case, was a native of New York and came to Licking County, Ohio, as a civil engineer. He acquired extensive land holdings, and in the course of time became a great political factor in the state, serving as sheriff, later as state senator and still later a member of the House of Representatives at Washington, D. C. He was a man of great enterprise, and it is said that he had the first successful silkworm farm in the state. The church he built at Sylvania, Ohio, was but one example of his benevolence and true public spirit.

Mrs. Case is a graduate of Shepardson College of Denison University. She is president of the Granville Federation of Woman's Clubs and has long been equally prominent in other bodies, church, club and social. She is secretary of the Festival Association of Granville, and is vice president of the Music Club and one of its sponsors, is a member of the King's Daughters, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the Travelers' Club, and belongs to the Daughters of the American Revolution. For the last ten years Mrs. Case has been the Granville correspondent of the Newark Daily Advocate. Mr. and Mrs. Case have two daughters: Stella, who is the wife of Robert E. Bell, of Queens, Long Island; and Helen, who is the wife of Roy S. Edwards, and resides at Granville and they have one son, Robert Case Edwards. Mr. Case and his family are members of the Baptist Church. He is a Knight Templar Mason and has served as master of Granville Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. In political life Mr. Case is a republican.

William Brock Stevens has secure status as one of the representative members of the bar of Tuscarawas County, and has been for thirty-five years established in the successful practice of his profession at Uhrichsville, where likewise he is associated with important business interests.

On a farm two miles north of Dennison, Tuscarawas County, William B. Stevens was born May 12, 1866, a son of Rev. Thomas McCann Stevens and Nancy (Brock) Stevens, representatives of sterling pioneer families of the Buckeye State.

Rev. Thomas McCann Stevens was born at Sarahsville, Ohio, in what is now Noble County, and the date of his nativity was December 13, 1834. He passed the closing years of his earnest and useful life on his homestead farm in Union Township, Tuscarawas County, where his death occurred in 1898. He was a son of James and Mary (McCann) Stevens. James Stevens was born in the historic old State of Virginia, about 1795, and was a son of Thomas Stevens, who likewise was born in Virginia, of English ancestry, the American branch of the family having been founded in Virginia in the early Colonial period of our national history. James Stevens was a young man when he came to Ohio and became a pioneer settler in what is now Noble County. There he passed the remainder of his life, and he was sixty-three years of age at the time of his death. He first married Hannah Morris, and they became the parents of four children. After the death of his first wife, Mr. Stevens wedded Mary McCann, and of their five children, Rev. Thomas McCann Stevens was the eldest.

As a young man Thomas McCann Stevens was ordained a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in the course of time he became the rider of a circuit, with central location in Tuscarawas County, where was solemnized his marriage to Miss Nancy Brock, who was born in this county July 5, 1839, and who survived him a quarter of a century, she having been venerable in years at the time of her death in 1923, and virtually her entire life having been passed in Tuscarawas County. Rev. Thomas McCann Stevens, a man of fine intellectuality and fervid religious faith, gave long and earnest service in the ministry, and he also became one of the substantial farmers of Union Township, Tuscarawas County, with distinctive prominence and influence in community affairs. His political allegiance was given to the republican party, his father having been aligned in the ranks of the democratic party.

William Brock Stevens was the second in order of birth in a family of five children, all of whom attained to maturity and two of whom are now deceased. He was reared on the old home farm, and the district schools afforded him his early educational advantages. That he made good use of these advantages is evidenced in the fact that when he was but fifteen years of age he obtained a teacher's license and initiated service as a teacher in the district schools. By this pedagogic service he acquired funds to advance his own education. In 1883 he was graduated from the Dennison High School, and in 1886, he was graduated from the National Normal University at Lebanon. His career as a teacher covered a period of four years, and he began the study of law under the able preceptorship of Judge T. D. Healeah, of Uhrichsville. In 1889 Mr. Stevens was admitted to the bar of his native state, and he has since continued in the general practice of his profession at Uhrichsville, where he has long controlled a substantial and representative law business, the same having involved his appearance in the various state and federal courts of Ohio.

Mr. Stevens has ever been a stalwart and effective advocate of the principles of the republican party, has given several years of service as city solicitor of Uhrichsville, and he was a delegate to the Ohio State Constitutional Convention of 1912. In the

Masonic fraternity his affiliations include membership in the Commandery of Knights Templars in his home city.

Mr. Stevens was one of the organizers of the Union Bank of Uhrichsville, and has served continuously as a member of its Board of Directors. He is attorney for this institution. He was the organizer and is secretary and active manager of the Citizens Building & Loan Company of Uhrichsville, and under his progressive administration this corporation has done effective service to the community and achieved substantial success. Mr. Stevens has been secretary of the Buckeye Fire Clay Company from the time of its organization, was one of the organizers of the Uhrichsville Ice Company, and has become associated with other enterprises that have tended to advance the civic and material welfare of his home city. He is a broad-gauged and loyal citizen, and commands secure vantage place in popular esteem.

The year 1893 recorded the marriage of Mr. Stevens and Miss Mary Slade, who was born at Port Washington, Tuscarawas County. Isabel, the one child of Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, is a member of the class of 1926 in the University of Ohio.

WILLIAM S. FOULKS, attorney at law of East Liverpool, Ohio. Graduate of Ohio State University. Served in the United States Army during the World war. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Sons of Veterans, and the American Legion.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN KIMBLE. Measured in volume of important business handled Benjamin Franklin Kimble is one of the most successful lawyers in Southern Ohio. He was a school teacher for a number of years, and his work in the legal profession covers a period of about a dozen years. In that time his reputation has become extended and established over numerous counties surrounding Scioto, where he has his office at Portsmouth.

Mr. Kimble was born on a farm near Manchester, in Adams County, Ohio, August 28, 1874, son of Benjamin P. and Lucinda (Boles) Kimble, both now deceased. Both his grandfather and great-grandfather were named Elijah Kimble. His great-grandfather, Elijah, was a native of Maryland. Being a younger son, he was cut off from a share in the family property, and came West to find his fortune. Benjamin P. Kimble was a man of real prominence in Adams County for a great many years. He was a farmer, very successful in business, and he made his influence count through his daily life as a true christian and a splendid exemplar of Masonry. He served as master of his lodge, and for over forty years he was called upon to officiate at all Masonic funerals in Adams and adjoining counties. During that time he performed this service at four hundred and seventy-eight funerals. He was also the mainstay of the Methodist Protestant Church in his community and largely took up the finances of the church. He died in 1913.

Benjamin Franklin Kimble was reared on his father's farm in Adams County, attended the district schools, the Manchester High School, and then entered Adrian College in Michigan, where he took the classical course and graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1895. After returning from college Mr. Kimble was principal of the Manchester High School a year, was superintendent of schools at Winchester, Ohio, two years, and superintendent at West Union three years. He still holds his license as a high school principal in Ohio. In the meantime he also served six years as county school examiner.

He gave up his work in the school room when elected clerk of the court of Adams County, and he was in that office six years, at the same time studying law under Judge Bayliss of West Union. Mr. Kimble was admitted to the bar by examination in 1910. For four years he practiced in West Union, and for the greater part of that time he was associated with C. E. Roebuck in the firm of Roebuck & Kimble. Their partnership was dissolved in January, 1914.

Mr. Kimble has an important record of service as a legislator. He was elected on the democratic ticket to the Legislature in the fall of 1910 to represent Adams County. During the sessions of 1911-12 he proved himself one of Ohio's most progressive fighters for sound legislation. He was chairman of the conference committee of the House and Senate which perfected the workmen's compensation law, which he had actively sponsored in the House. He is also given credit as being the author of the Corrupt Practice Act passed by that Legislature.

Mr. Kimble moved to Portsmouth and opened his offices in January, 1914. For one year he was in partnership with A. Z. Blair, and since then has practiced individually. Those familiar with his professional career estimate that Mr. Kimble does more legal business than any other three individual attorneys, and he has a larger volume of practice than any of the legal firms with few exceptions. He has made a special mark for success in criminal cases, particularly those involving important issues and personalities. He also handles a large corporation practice, being attorney for the First National Bank, the Carlyle-Labold Company, Harbison-Walker Refraction Company, and for H. S. McCall, R. K. McCurdy, McLaughlin and Staker, E. G. Miller and others.

Mr. Kimble on August 8, 1901, at Winchester, Ohio, married Miss Ruby Doak, daughter of Alvah S. and Eunice A. (Fox) Doak, her mother a native of Indiana. Her father, now deceased, was born in Ohio and was a druggist and civil engineer, giving up the drug business to devote all his time to engineering work. At one time he was county engineer. Mr. and Mrs. Kimble have two children, Bernice D. and Lawrence M. Bernice is a Bachelor of Arts graduate from Wooster College. Lawrence M. is attending high school.

With all his heavy work as a lawyer Mr. Kimble is a regular attendant and one of the most active members of the Second Presbyterian Church of Portsmouth. For six years he has been a trustee of the church, and every Sunday morning he conducts a men's Bible class, which has an average attendance of over one hundred and twenty-five. He is vice president of the local Bar Association, was a member of the State and American Bar associations, belongs to the college fraternity Alpha, Tau Omega, and is a member of the Lodge of Masons and Knights of Pythias. Mr. Kimble is a trustee of the Portsmouth Carnegie Library.

ALFRED M. SCOTT, the present country treasurer of Jackson County, has for many years been actively identified with farming and road contracting. He represents some of the oldest families of Southern Ohio.

Her was born in what is now the Village of Coalton, adjacent to Wellston, in Jackson County, February 26, 1877, a son of Quiller F. and Sabrina (McKinnis) Scott. His grandfather, Benjamin F. Scott, was born near Parkersburg, in what is now West Virginia, in 1820, and was a small child when his parents came to Southern Ohio. Benjamin F. Scott married Martha Sell, who was born in 1823, daughter of Adam Sell, of another prominent family of Southern Ohio.

Quiller F. Scott spent his life in the Coalton locality of Jackson County, was a merchant and an active figure in the civic affairs of that community.

He died December 29, 1881, at the age of thirty-one years. He married Sabrina McKinnis, who is still living at Coalton. Her father, Granville McKinnis, was born at the old McKinnis homestead in Jackson County, in 1823, son of Charles McKinnis, who was one of the pioneers of Jackson County, coming down the Ohio River in a flat boat. Both the McKinnis and Scott families took up land direct from the government. Granville McKinnis devoted his active life to farming, a large part of his farm being underlaid with coal. He married Mary P. Cassidy, whose father, Asa Cassidy, was a charter member of the first Masonic Lodge started in Southern Ohio. Quiller F. Scott and wife had four children: A. B., who married Jeanette Colard; Alfred M.; G. E., who married Winifred Terole, and has a son, Granville E., Jr., and Q. F., who married Laura Sutcliff, and has two children, Quiller and Bettie.

Alfred M. Scott was educated in the public schools at Coalton, also attended school at Washington Court House, and in 1894 was graduated from the high school at Coalton. For about eight years he was associated with the dry goods and clothing business at Coalton, after which he went on the road as a traveling salesman for a wholesale grocery house at Marion. He was on the road a year and then took up the contracting business, and is one of the widely experienced men in concrete work, making a specialty of concrete road construction. He built the first concrete road in Jackson County. He is still a concrete contractor, devoting most of the summer months to that business, while the rest of the season he uses his teams for farm work. He operates four farms in Jackson County.

Mr. Scott was elected county treasurer in the fall of 1922, his two year term beginning in September, 1923. He is one of the very substantial citizens of this section. He is a Presbyterian, a Knight Templar Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias, and is affiliated with the Jacksonian Club, the Country Club and the Jackson Chamber of Commerce.

On May 29, 1904, at Coalton, he married Miss Margaret Hippel, daughter of John and Mary C. Hippel. Her father was born in Germany, in 1838, served an apprenticeship at the blacksmith's trade, and settled in Jackson County about 1859, where for many years he followed his trade. He subsequently acquired a tract of coal land at Coalton, and became one of the leading coal operators and men of affairs in that section. He died in 1897 and his wife in 1911. Their children were: John R., who married Ida Thompson and have two living children, Willard and Florence; W. D., who married Etta Leach and has two children, Arthur and Pauline; Jacob C., who married Allie Sherlock, and has a son, Virgil; Caroline, who married G. E. Christman, and their four children are Earl, Edward, Ruth and Edith; Mary, who married J. E. Harper; Miss Grace; and Margaret. Mr. and Mrs. Scott have one son, Robert K.

William Hebert Willson, M. D. The community of Greenfield in Highland County, has known William Hebert Willson in his capacity and relationship as a capable physician and surgeon for over a quarter of a century. Doctor Willson was a medical officer in the Spanish-American war, but otherwise his duties have been closely centered in the locality where he was born and reared.

Doctor Willson was born at Greenfield, September 17, 1873, and represents a line of American ancestry that runs back for generation after generation, into the early Colonial period of the Carolinas. His remote ancestor, Hugh Willson, was born in 1690, during the siege of Londonderry, Ireland. He had five sons and two daughters, all of whom, except one son, came to America prior to 1760. His son, John Willson, was born in 1715, and though in advance years at the time was a soldier in the Revolutionary army, being present at the battle of King's Mountain, North Carolina. While he was in the army his wife conducted the farm with only such help as could be rendered by her two sons, nine and twelve years old. John Willson, son of this Revoluntionary soldier, was born March 6, 1767, and died in October, 1838. His wife was Hannah Baird, who was born October 5, 1770, and died September 20, 1837. Their son, Adam Baird Willson, was the grandfather of Doctor Willson of Greenfield and was the pioneer of the family in Ohio. He was born in Lincoln County, North Carolina, April 12, 1790, and in 1816 made the trip to Ohio on horseback, settling in Highland County. He died and is buried at Greenfield. His wife, Margery Dean, was born in Pike County, Ohio, March 27, 1799, and died at Greenfield October 4, 1881. Samuel Milton Willson, father of Doctor Willson, was born in Highland County, May 21, 1835, and spent an active lifetime as a farmer. He was very progressive, being the first man in Southern Ohio to use steam power for threshing wheat. He died at Greenfield November 2, 1913. His wife, Rebecca Sperry, was born at Austin, in Ross County, Ohio, January 21, 1839, and died December 27, 1910.

Their son, William Hebert Willson, received his early educational advantages at Greenfield in the grammar and high schools, and his medical education was acquired in Cincinnati University, where he graduated in the year 1897. In May of the same year he opened his office and began the practice of medicine at Greenfield. Early the following year, upon the outbreak of the Spanish-American war, he volunteered for the medical service, and was on duty in Porto Rico for some time. He was mustered out in 1899, and then resumed work at Greenfield. Much of his time has been spent in hospital work, and in 1918 he served as house physician at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Cincinnati, and in 1923, took post-graduate work in the American Hospital in Chicago.

Doctor Willson is a Knights Templar Mason, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a republican, a member of the First Presbyterian Church and the Local Reading Club. He married at Cincinnati, February 26, 1902, Bessie Hendry, who was born at Cincinnati, February 16, 1880, and was educated in the public schools in that city and completed her musical training in the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. She has been heard as a professional singer in various churches, and is an active member of the Presbyterian Church and the Reading Club. Doctor and Mrs. Willson have three children. The oldest, Helen Hendry, born at Greenfield in 1905, died July 14, 1907. Grace Elizabeth, born at Greenfield, October 19, 1908, was educated in the common and McClain high schools. studied reading and expression and has been a popular entertainer. William Howard, the only son, was born at Greenfield, September 26, 1915, and is attending grammar school.

Alfred Putnam Sandles, editor and publisher of the Putnam County Sentinel at Ottawa, the county seat, is a native son of this county and has contributed much to its civic and material advancement. Mr. Sandles has been influential in political affairs in Ohio as a representative of the democratic party, and as a publicist his activities have touched educational work, the raising of the standards of farm industry and the promoting of better civic ideals in general.

In a log house on his father's farm near the

Putnam County Infirmary, in Blanchard Township. Alfred Putnam Sandles was born February 5, 1871, a son of David E. and Ann (Maidlow) Sandles, the former of whom was born in Fairfield County, this state, and the latter in Blanchard Township, Putnam County. David E. Sandles was a child at the time of the family removal to Licking County, where he was reared to adult age and received the advantages of the common schools. When the Civil war precipitated he promptly tendered his aid in defense of the Union. He was a youth of seventeen years when he thus enlisted in Company D, First Ohio Cavalry. He continued as a loyal and valiant soldier of the Union until the close of the war, and before he was twenty years old he contrived to cast his vote for Abraham Lincoln, republican candidate for president of the United States. After the war Mr. Sandles became one of the industrious exponents of farm enterprise in Blanchard Township. His wife was a daughter of John and Lucinda (Douds) Maidlow, of this township.

Reared on the home farm, Alfred P. Sandles early gained health and strength with farm work, and in the meanwhile he attended the district schools. His ambition for a liberal education was not to be denied fruition, and thus it is to be recorded that he attended in turn Crawfus College, the Ohio State Normal School at Leipsic, and Otterbein University. At the age of twenty-one years he became a teacher in the district schools, and after three years of such service he was for six years a teacher in the public schools of Ottawa. He served two years as president of the Putnam County Teachers' Institute, and in this capacity he arranged for the giving of one day of the annual institute to a meeting of the school directors and the parents in the county—a policy that eventually was widely adopted through Ohio, the while he himself was much in demand as a lecturer on educational topics.

In 1896 Mr. Sandles was made chairman of the Putnam County Democratic Convention, and thereafter he held for twelve years the position of chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of his native county, besides having been for two years clerk of the courts for the county. In 1902 he was made secretary and treasurer of the County Executive Committee of his party, and showed much finesse in directing the campaign of that year in Putnam County. He was made the party nominee for secretary of state, but met defeat with the rest of the party ticket. He has continued a valued and effective worker in behalf of the cause of the democratic party, and makes his newspaper a power along this line.

In January, 1895, Mr. Sandles was elected secretary of the Putnam County Agricultural Society, and he gave many years of specially effective service in this capacity, his progressive policies and ideas having done much to advance the success and value of the annual county fairs of the county. He has served as president of the Ohio Race Circuit, embracing fifty-one counties, and he has done much to advance the standard of turf events in the state. Among other positions in which Mr. Sandles has found opportunity for loyal service are those of president of the Ohio Agricultural Commission, and clerk of the State Senate. He has taken lively interest in promoting advancement in the affairs of the farms of his native state, has worked to encourage and instruct farm boys, and also to provide the farm girls with instruction in domestic science and the cultivating of fruits and garden products. A resourceful organizer and an earnest and forceful public speaker, he has been much called upon for lectures and speeches, both in various states of the Union and also in Canadian provinces.

He is a past master of Ottawa Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, is affiliated also with the local chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the Commandery of Knights Templar, while in the Scottish Rite he has received the thirty-second degree. His Masonic connection includes also his membership in the Mystic Shrine, and he is identified also with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Grange, the Sons of Veterans, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Sandles wedded Miss Laura Moffit, who was born September 6, 1874, a daughter of Joab and Amanda (Hopkins) Moffit, natives of Hancock County, whence they eventually moved to Blanchard Township, Putnam County, where they remained on their farm until 1902, when they removed to the City of Findlay. The death of Mr. Moffit there occurred in July, 1914, and his widow is still a resident of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Sandles have one son and seven daughters: Bryan Putnam, Frances, Beatrice, Martha, Dorothy, Helen, Catherine, and Eleanor.

C. E. Ozier the efficient and popular proprietor of the Hotel Vonhof in the City of Mansfield, has made this one of the most modern hotels in this section of the state and brought its equipment and service up to the highest standard. The Vonhof is conducted on the American plan, and under the trying conditions that have obtained in connection with public food purveying since and during the World war Mr. Ozier has shown both courage and distinctive ability in retaining the fine old American plan of service and making it a success. The culinary department of the Vonhof has gained more than local fame, and the hotel is a popular place for banquets, in connection with which provision is made for service to large assemblies as well as to those of smaller number. Mr. Ozier is associated also in the ownership of a hotel in the City of Akron, and he has gained prestige as one of the progressive and representative hotel men of his native state.

The original building of the hotel now conducted under the name of Vonhof was erected in 1858, and the house was conducted for a term of years under the title of The Teagarden. Later it became the St. James, and the present name was adopted about 1885, when Louis Vonhof became owner of the property and business. Sharp Bird, son-in-law of Mr. Vonhof, conducted the hotel from 1885 until 1897, and thereafter it was conducted by Mr. Shonfield until 1907 when J. P. King assumed control, he having continued as proprietor until 1909, since which year the present proprietor has precided over the destinies of this popular hostelry. The original building was rebuilt and remodeled in the '80s, and in 1912 Mr. Ozier still further enlarged the structure, which he brought up to modern standard and which now has accommodations for one hundred guests. Mr. Ozier still gives a general supervision to the hotel business, but he has assigned to the active direction of the Vonhof an efficient manager in the person of Ross Weakley, who has served in this capacity somewhat more than three years.

Mr. Ozier was born in Richland County, in the year 1860, and was here reared and educated. He is a son of the late David Ozier, who was long associated with his brother Nelson, under the firm name of N. & D. Ozier, in the extensive buying and shipping of live stock and wool, this firm having been one of the oldest and most important in this line of industrial commerce in this section of Ohio. David Ozier eventually established himself in the banking business at Shiloh, Richland County, and with this

enterprise he continued his active alliance twenty years—up to the time of his death in 1902, at the age of sixty-nine years. His brother Nelson served as postmaster at Mansfield under the administration of President Hayes, and later under the administration of President McKinley. As a young man C. E. Ozier was for several years engaged in clerical railway service, and from 1888 to 1892 he was secretary and treasurer of the National Coal Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Thereafter he developed a chain of cigar stores, including the cigar counter in the Vonhof Hotel, and he made a distinctive success of this enterprise, in which he continued until 1909, when he assumed control of the Vonhof, as previously noted in this review. He is liberal and public-spirited as a citizen, progressive and alert as a business man, and in his various activities he has gained a specially wide circle of friends in both business and social relations. He is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and is a native son of Richland County who has "made good" in all of the relations of life, so that he fully merits the popular confidence and esteem so uniformly accorded to him.

George Hayden Marsh. The late George Hayden Marsh of Van Wert County, distinguished business man and benefactor, was born at Farmington, Connecticut, December 23, 1833, grandson of James Marsh and son of George Marsh. George Marsh was a clock maker by trade and made his first trip to Ohio selling clocks in 1833. From Athens, his first location, he moved to Dayton, where he continued the manufacture of clocks. He invested in lands in Northwestern Ohio, and was one of the men who laid out the town of Van Wert. In 1845, after a residence of a year or so in Connecticut, he returned to Ohio and settled in Van Wert.

George Hayden Marsh was twelve years old when his parents came to Van Wert, which was still a pioneer town. He was educated in the public schools there, attended the Ohio University at Athens, and at the age of sixteen became assistant to a surveying corps. For a time he worked in the Gilbert Clock factory in Connecticut and at the age of twenty-one became clerk to the master mechanic of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railway. After leaving the railroad he engaged in farming and stock raising, and for a number of years he was prominently identified with the manufacture of cooperage supplies. He owned the Eagle Stove Works at Van Wert, Latty and Belmore, Ohio.

Mr. Marsh left an estate valued over four million dollars. In his lifetime he used much of his wealth for the public good. He built and equipped the Van Wert County Hospital, one of the most complete in the State of Ohio, and also the Van Wert County Young Women's Christian Association Building. His will provided for the building and maintenance of a Children's Industrial School, to educate and train dependent children of Van Wert and nearby counties. He died less than a year after this will was executed, whereupon, according to an Ohio law, this charitable provision became void. However, his only heir, Mrs. Katie Clymer, was completely in sympathy with the object of her father's generosity, and she and Mr. Clymer have studiously carried out his desires to every detail. Van Wert is deeply indebted not only to the late George H. Marsh, but to his father, George Marsh, who provided sites in pioneer times for the building of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches, and also donated land for a system of parks.

George H. Marsh, who died August 13, 1920, married Miss Hilinda Vance on November 26, 1862. She was born at Millersport, Ohio, June 13, 1844, and died September 19, 1900. The idea of building an orphan's home originated with Mrs. Marsh.

Katie, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Marsh, was married to Arthur I. Clymer April 25, 1888. Mr. Clymer was born at Galion, Crawford County, Ohio, November 26, 1862, the son of William H. and Louisa M. (Ruhl) Clymer. In 1870, when he was eight years of age, his parents moved to Van Wert, where his father purchased the Van Wert Weekly Times. That paper was owned and edited by his father for sixteen years, and during the last six years of this time Arthur I. Clymer was associated with its publication. He had in the meantime completed his education in the public schools. Mr. and Mrs. Clymer for many years have been students and patrons of music of the highest order. He attended the Cincinnati College of Music for a time, and was pipe organist for the First Presbyterian Church in Van Wert. He has served three years as trustee and three years as treasurer and is now a member of the building committee of this church, which has under way an edifice to cost approximately two hundred thousand dollars. Mr. Clymer is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council and Knight Templar Commandery. Mrs. Clymer was educated in the Van Wert High School and also studied music at the Cincinnati College of Music.

Mr. Clymer for nineteen years was actively associated with Mr. Marsh in the management of his extensive business affairs. He and Mrs. Clymer are now living at the old Marsh homestead on East Ridge Road, adjoining the 16,000-acre tract on which the buildings of the Children's Home and Industrial School provided by the Marsh Foundation are located. The foundation is under the direction of three trustees, the executors of the will becoming the trustees. They were L. C. Morgan, H. L. Conn and O. W. Kerns. On the death of Mr. Kerns, D. L. Brumback, president of the Van Wert National Bank, was appointed in his stead. Mr. Morgan is now giving his entire time to the Marsh Foundation.

Fred P. McIlyar, now general superintendent of the Newton Steel Company at Newton Falls, has been identified as a skilled worked and executive with the iron and steel industry in Ohio since early manhood. He received his early training at Cambridge, in Guernsey County, where he grew up and where he represents an old family.

He was born at Cambridge, January 12, 1875. His father, William H. H. McIlyar, was born at Cambridge, in 1840, and served as a Union soldier four years in the Civil war. He came out with the rank of captain. After the war he engaged in the dry goods business at Cambridge. He died in 1908. He served two terms as postmaster, during both administrations of President Cleveland. He was an active worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. His wife was Mary Richardson, who was born near Zanesville, Ohio, in 1840, and died at Cambridge in 1916. Of the three children, Fred P. is the youngest. The oldest, Clyde R., was for many years manager of the Guernsey plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company, but is now practically retired, carrying on an insurance business at Cambridge. The second child, Florence, died in infancy.

Fred P. McIlyar was reared at Cambridge, attended the public schools there, graduating from high school in 1893, and during 1894 attended Duff's Business College at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He served four years as assistant postmaster at Cambridge under his father, and remained one year in the same office under his father's successor. Leaving the postoffice, he entered the Guernsey plant of the

G. A. Elliott.

American Sheet and Tin Plate Company at Cambridge, and was with that industry a period of seventeen years, starting in at the bottom. Subsequently he mastered one of the skilled and highest paid trades in mills, and was hot mill foreman when he resigned. On November 17, 1919, he came to Newton Falls to act as superintendent of the Newton Steel Company, and since 1921 has been general superintendent as well as a director in the company. The plant offices of this industry are between the forks of the Mahoning River at the north end of Newton Falls. The business is one that has enjoyed almost uninterrupted activity for a number of years. There are between fourteen hundred and fifteen hundred employes. The chief product of the plant is full finished high grade automobile sheets, and some metal furniture is also made. The product is shipped all over the United States.

Mr. McIlyar is also a director of the First National Bank of Newton Falls, and is vice president of the Savings and Loan Association of that city. He is a republican in politics and a member of St. John's Episcopal Church at Cambridge. Since coming to Newton Falls he has acquired one of the good homes in the city on Church Street. He married at Cambridge, Ohio, December 24, 1898, Miss Roxie P. Arnold, whose parents were Dr. Guy L. and Hannah (Ross) Arnold. Her father until his death was one of the very able physicians at Cambridge. Mrs. McIlyar is a graduate of the Cambridge High School. They have three children. Fred P., the oldest, is proprietor of a haberdashery and dry cleaning establishment at Newton Falls. Frank R. is one of the clerical force of the Newton Steel Company. The daughter, Ruth Ross, attends public schools at Newton Falls.

Guy C. Dittenhaver. One of the men of recognized prominence in Paulding County is Guy C. Dittenhaver, a native of Northwest Ohio, who has achieved prominence as a farm owner and operator, as a dealer in real estate, and as a man of varied affairs and responsibilities.

He was born at Napoleon, in Henry County, Ohio, March 15, 1867, son of Jerome B. and Malinda A. (Parker) Dittenhaver. His parents were also born in Ohio, and his father who died in 1916, had been for some years in the drug business at Toledo. There were six children in the family, Guy C. being the fourth in age.

Mr. Dittenhaver was reared and educated in Henry County, graduating from the Napoleon High School in 1886. He had a varied experience in his younger years. For four years he was a teacher in the public schools of Napoleon. He was also in the newspaper business as a stenographic reporter and correspondent on several papers. At one time he was editor of the Wood County Democrat, published at Bowling Green.

Mr. Dittenhaver has been a resident of Paulding about thirty years. He was early attracted to this region by the development and publicity given to one of the richest black land farming sections in the state. He early became interested in the farm lands himself, and during his many years experience in the real estate business he has bought and sold property in this section to the value of over a million dollars. Mr. Dittenhaver acquired about one thousand acres of black corn land, all of it very valuable and productive.

He has been a leader in the agricultural development of this section, and has also interested himself in the improvement of his home city of Paulding. He has served as a member of the Carnegie Library Board, and while an enthusiastic democrat, he has exerted his influence for good government without aspirations for office for himself. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church at Paulding, and in Masonry is a member of the Toledo Consistory of the Scottish Rite and Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

In 1895 Mr. Dittenhaver married Miss Alethea H. Leach, of Toledo, and it was soon after their marriage that they came to Paulding. They have two children, Frances R. and Harold A. Both are graduates of the Paulding High School and received college educations.

George Anderson Elliott. Endowed with a magnificent physical constitution and a well equipped mind, George Anderson Elliott persevered through a period of early years, without funds except those he earned to get an education, and has achieved a place among the leading attorneys of the Muskingum County Bar and is a man of property and distinction in Zanesville.

He was born on a farm in Bern Township of Athens County, Ohio, August 24, 1866, son of Richard and Margaret Jane (Barton) Elliott. His mother was born in Athens County, and died in 1919, at the age of eighty-one. His father, a native of England, came to the United States with his parents when a child, and was educated here and spent his long life as a farmer. He was a Presbyterian. Richard Elliott died in 1913, at the age of seventy-eight.

Fifth in a family of eight children, George A. Elliott spent his boyhood days on a farm, gaining thereby an interest in agriculture that has never left him. After the public schools of his immediate home locality he had to pay for all his advanced education. He worked his way through Ohio University at Athens, where he graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1893. He was president of his graduating class and for two years was president of the Students' Athletic Association.

Mr. Elliott taught school for a number of years, beginning in the country district of Athens County. He organized the high school at Nashport in Muskingum County, and was its superintendent four years. For seven years he was high school principal at New Lexington, Ohio, and one year was superintendent of schools at Mentor, Ohio. While teaching he pursued the study of law, and for several years studied under the direction of Judge John J. Adams, Dean of the Law School of Ohio State University. On coming to Zanesville he read law in the office of T. F. Thompson, and in 1910 was admitted to the bar. For five years he was associated in the practice with J. M. McHenry, and since 1918 has been senior member of the firm of Elliott & Secrest. They handle a general practice but have specialized in probate matters. In the law and in everything else he has undertaken, Mr. Elliott has proved his efficiency. He is a man of affable and congenial character, and is a very convincing public speaker.

His surplus means he has used to cultivate an interesting and profitable hobby. He has a 300-acre dairy farm in Meigs Township, known as the Elliott Dairy Farm, one of the finest places in Muskingum County. It is thoroughly modern in equipment and operation. He has a herd of Jersey cows, Chester White hogs, and some of the finest animals of these classes in Southeastern Ohio are on his country place. To this business and recreation he gives his personal attention.

Mr. Elliott has taken an active part in republican politics. He served for five years as secretary of the County Executive Committee and is now a candidate for the office of probate judge of Muskingum County. He is a member of the Exchange Club, New Lexington Lodge of Masons, Zanesville Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Zanesville Council, Royal

and Select Masters, Cyrene Commandery, Knights Templar and Amrou Grotto. He also belongs to the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church at Zanesville he is teacher of the Young Men's Bible Class. He was identified prominently with every drive made in Muskingum County for war purposes.

On March 7, 1893, at Nashport, Ohio, Mr. Elliott married Miss Mae Curtis, daughter of Enoch and Rebecca (Legge) Curtis. Her father, who died in 1913, at the age of eighty-two, was a Union soldier who served four years with the Seventy-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. After the war he became a stone contractor. He was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and of fraternal organizations, including the Masonic Order and the Grand Army of the Republic. Rebecca Legge was a descendant of the pioneer Legge family of Licking and Muskingum counties. She died in 1923, at the age of eighty-four. Mrs. Elliott is an active worker in the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church. She is a member of the Eastern Star, the White Shrine of Jerusalem, the Daughters of Veterans and the Federated Woman's Clubs. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott became the parents of two children: Carl Clio, deceased; and Clyde Raymond, who is a law student in Ohio University.

Henry W. Cherrington. In the fifteen years since his admission to the bar Henry W. Cherrington has achieved distinction in the practice of his profession, and also as a public official. He was formerly judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Gallia County.

Judge Cherrington was born at Gallipolis, March 12, 1886, son of Samuel M. and Roena (Cooke) Cherrington, and grandson of William and Lucy Cherrington. The Cherringtons are an old and prominent family in Southern Ohio, coming out of old Virginia in 1802 and settling about four miles from Gallipolis the year Ohio was admitted to the Union. There have been six generations of the Cherringtons in Gallia County. The earlier members of the family were participants in the Revolutionary war. The Cooke family was identified with the very early settlement of Ohio around Marietta. Mrs. Roena (Cooke) Cherrington, who died in 1920, was a direct descendant of Gen. Israel Putman of Connecticut. Samuel M. Cherrington, who died in 1918, was for many years engaged in the insurance and real estate business at Gallipolis, and while much interested in public affairs, was never an office holder. He was a member of the Episcopal Church. Of his three children Henry W. is the oldest. Edwin is unmarried, and the youngest son, William P., married Dorothy Corkran, and have two children, named Henry W. and James P.

Henry W. Cherrington graduated from the Gallipolis High School in 1902, took an academic and commercial course in Marietta College, and for several years while employed as a court stenographer studied law under Hollis Johnston of Gallipolis. He was admitted to the bar in 1908, and since then has been a practicing attorney save for the time devoted to public office.

From 1910 to 1912 he served as president of the City Council of Gallipolis. From 1912 to 1914 he was director of public safety of the City of Gallipolis. Mr. Cherrington in 1914 was elected prosecuting attorney of Gallia County, and by reelection held that office until 1920, having this official responsibility during the World war when many extra duties devolved upon him. He also acted as a member of the Advisory Council of the Local Draft Board during the war. In 1920 he was elected judge of the Court of Common Pleas, but subsequently resigned his place on the bench to engage in private practice.

Judge Cherrington married at Montgomery, West Virginia, in April, 1911, Miss Vivian Ayers, daughter of John L. and Ella Ayers. Her father, who died in 1918, was a tailor by trade, was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Methodist Church. Mrs. Cherrington has one sister, Miss Mina. The two children of Judge and Mrs. Cherrington are William P. and Henrietta. The family are members of the Episcopal Church. Judge Cherrington is a Knight Templar Mason and a member of the Elks and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He belongs to the Gallia County Bar Society.

W. Lee Cotter. During recent years manufacturers, producers and jobbers of judgment and farsightedness have reached the conclusion that it is unnecessary for them to maintain such a great amount of floor space for their surplus stocks. They have found that it is more economical to place such stocks in a storage warehouse, where they are cared for until sold, at which time the goods are shipped directly from the warehouse to the purchaser. Thus it is that the warehouse has come to be an institution of accepted importance in the commercial and industrial world. In Ohio what is probably the largest operating company in existence of this nature is the W. Lee Cotter Warehouse Company, of which W. Lee Cotter is the president.

In 1882 the late C. D. Cotter, father of W. Lee Cotter, started in the transfer business at Mansfield, his equipment being a one-horse wagon. Gradually his business and equipment developed and grew, and in 1902 father and son formed a partnership and the business continued to flourish and thrive. In 1913 the Cotter Transfer and Storage Company was incorporated. Later the son formed the W. Lee Cotter Transfer and Storage Company, practically taking over the Union Transfer and Storage Company of Akron. In 1923 it was decided that the time had come for a merger of the three companies, and this was effected in February, when there was incorporated for $1,000,000, under the state laws of Ohio, the W. Lee Cotter Warehouse Company, with the following officials: W. Lee Cotter, president; E. A. Cotter, vice president; A. F. Porter, secretary; G. B. Willis, treasurer; and Henry G. Brunner, sales manager, the Board of Directors being: W. Lee Cotter, E. A. Cotter, A. F. Porter, G. B. Willis, Henry G. Brunner, J. A. Spence, E. O. Townsend, E. F. Wickwire, E. B. Cappeller and F. M. Bushnell, all of Mansfield, Ohio, and L. B. Rainey, of Beaver, Pennsylvania. Mr. Porter, who formerly served as manager of the Mansfield Company, was promoted to the post of district manager. The Columbus interests are being managed by E. B. Brown, and the Akron interests by H. E. Fox, while Fred Bair, who was superintendent at Mansfield, was promoted to manager of the Mansfield holdings of the organization. The organization of the new company completed a transaction that gives the enterprise 700,000 square feet of warehouse space.

Mount Vernon Public Library. Among the smaller communities of Ohio one of the first to attempt to build up a library for general use was Mount Vernon. As early as 1816 the Mount Vernon Library Society collected volumes. The society was a stock company. Upon its disorganization the volumes were distributed among the stockholders. In 1833 the Mount Vernon Lyceum was organized and incorporated, in 1834 establishing a library of several hundred volumes. In 1856 Reverend Doctor

Meunscher formed a new Mount Vernon Library Society, which flourished until 1864. Other attempts at establishing circulating libraries were made in the succeeding years.

In 1884 a library committee was appointed by the City Council and acquired the old collections of books from the previous libraries and others by gifts and donations. The members of this committee were Mr. Fairchild, president; H. A. Curtis, secretary, and Messrs. Ewalt, McIntyre, Holbrook and Larimore. The old United Presbyterian Church at the corner of Sugar and Main streets was purchased and transformed into a library.

In December, 1887, the books were catalogued and in June, 1888, Miss Jennie E. Calville was appointed librarian at $40 a month. She had a number of successors. The present librarian is Miss Ada Cooper, who has been with the library for the past six years. She has had a broad experience in library work and formerly lived in the states of Virginia and Alabama. In 1884 the library building and equipment was valued at $5,500, and at that time books to the value of $1,500 were purchased. One of the valuable features of the library collection today is the file of the Mount Vernon Banner, which was donated in 1884 by L. Harper, and contains the complete list of issues of that paper up to that time.

GEORGE FRANKLIN DONART is head of a prosperous business in real estate and loans at Ottawa, and is a member of an old and prominent family of Northwest Ohio.

He was born July 17, 1884, son of George W. and Celeste (Hertzog) Donart. His father was a native of Mercer County, Ohio, and his mother, of Van Wert County. His grandfather, Joshua Donart, developed a farm from the wilderness in Mercer County. Joshua Donart was a Union soldier in the Civil war. George W. Donart was born September 24, 1848, and in early life learned the carpenter's trade. He lived for a time in Tennessee, where with his son O. W. he attended the law department of Cumberland University. Though admitted to the bar, he never practiced it as a profession. He was a general merchant and miller at Mendon, Ohio, and during Cleveland's administration he was postmaster there for four years. He also became interested in oil production, and drilled the first well in the old field of Mercer County. He was a devout Methodist, was superintendent of the Sunday school, and a democrat in politics. He was also affiliated with the Odd Fellows and Red Men fraternities. George W. Donart died at Pierce City, Missouri, October 23, 1913. His widow is still living there. They had seven children: Orin W., who graduated in law at Cumberland University at the same time with his father, and for many years has been a prominent attorney at Paulding, and also interested in the real estate business with his brother George; Clement F., who was educated at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and is now in business at Van Wert, Ohio; Katherine L., a composer and writer of music, wife of Harry S. Webster, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Susan Julia, wife of Dr. J. Nicolay, of Pierce City, Missouri; George F.; Nettie G., wife of Dan Turner, of Koboka, Missouri; Nellie L., wife of Charles Lecompe, postmaster of Pierce City, Missouri. There was also another child, Mary J., who died in infancy.

George Franklin Donart was reared in Mercer County until the age of seven, when he went to Tennessee with his parents. He was educated there, attended the Southwest Baptist College at Bolivar, Missouri, finishing a business course, and then located at Paulding, Ohio, where he attended high school. For a time he was a student in the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts, and is widely known for his interesting work as a cartoonist. He was associated with his brother at Paulding in the real estate business, and subsequently the brothers established their office at Ottawa on October 16, 1912. On March 27, 1914, Mr. Donart bought out his brother's interest and has since continued a splendid business service in his line at Ottawa.

On December 25, 1914, he married Miss Alice Mildred Ogan, of Ottawa. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Donart is present master of Ottawa Lodge No. 325, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, is a Royal Arch and Council Degree Mason, being past thrice illustrious master of the Council, and is a member of the Eastern Star. He is a democrat in politics. On August 12, 1907, he enlisted as a private in Company B of the Ohio National Guard, and served until discharged in 1910.

MILBURN F. BOONE, the youngest mayor ever elected at Manchester, is a citizen and business man whose enterprise is reflected in a number of ways in that community of Ohio. He is a farmer, tobacco grower and school man, and his qualifications for leadership have been frequently recognized in Adams County.

Mr. Boone was born near Manchester, April 13, 1894, son of Elmer and Maude (Martin) Boone, well known farmers of the county. Mr. Boone's grandfather at one time owned all the land including the site of the City of Maysville, Kentucky. This branch of the Boone family is of the same stock as that which produced the great explorer, Daniel Boone. Incidentally it might be mentioned that the wife of the late Gen. Fred Funston was also a descendant of Daniel Boone.

Milburn F. Boone was educated in public schools at Manchester, and continued his training in Wilmington College and Miami University. For the past ten years of his life he has been teaching school in Spriggs Township, doing that work in connection with his farming and other interests. He owns one of the most productive farms in Southern Ohio, a property of 105 acres. His chief money crop is white burley tobacco.

During the Mexican border troubles in 1916-17 Mr. Boone served as a clerk in the adjutant-general's office at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Mr. Boone was elected mayor of Manchester for the term 1924-26, and was chosen on a platform of law enforcement and has carried out his pledges to the complete satisfaction of law abiding citizens. He is a republican and a Mason, and a member of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Mr. Boone married at Maysville, Kentucky, March 31, 1917, Miss Carrie Flesher, daughter of Flavius and Nancy (Congrove) Flesher. Her father, now deceased, came from Virginia. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Boone are Helen and Mildred.

WILLIAM JACOB SHEPARD, M. D. After graduating from medical college Doctor Shepard practiced for a time at Columbus, but for the past seven years has been one of the able physicians and surgeons located in the City of Bellaire. He is a man of unusual qualifications in his profession, an ardent sportsman, and has served as a medical officer in the Ohio National Guard.

Doctor Shepard was born at Woodsfield, in Monroe County, Ohio, April 20, 1884. His father, Joseph Alonzo Shepard, who was born near Capetina, in Belmont County, Ohio, was a railroad man, later a farmer, and for several years in the Ohio State Highway Department. He married Catherine Caroline Christner, and they now live at Key, Ohio. He

is active in the Baptist Church, is a republican and a member of the Masonic and various fraternities.

Dr. William Jacob Shepard is the older of two children, his sister, Miss Carrie, living with him and being his office assistant. He attended public schools in Richland Township of Belmont County, was also a student in the Bellaire High School, and as a boy exhibited marked talent as a musician. He became a finished player on the violin and cornet, and in his career as a busy physician has found music a fine source of recreation.

Doctor Shepard graduated from the Starling Medical College, the medical department of Ohio State University at Columbus, in 1913. During his senior year he was an interne in the Protestant, now the White Cross, Hospital at Columbus, and from July 1, 1913, to January 1, 1917, remained at Columbus, at first as resident house physician at Mount Carmel Hospital and then in private practice. While in Columbus he was commissioned a first lieutenant in the medical department of the Ohio National Guard, and served with the Second Ambulance and also with the Second Field Hospital Corps.

On January 1, 1917, Doctor Shepard moved to Bellaire, and while he is engaged in general practice, nearly all his work is in gynecology, a field in which he has been particularly successful. In addition to his private practice he is city health commissioner of Bellaire, and is a member of the Belmont County, the Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Shepard enjoys hunting, and his hunting trips are either in the northern woods or in the South. He was one of the organizers and was elected president of the Ohio Valley Sportsmen's Club and he also organized the Bellaire Chapter of the National Rifle Association. He is affiliated with York Lodge No. 563, Free and Accepted Masons, at Columbus, and is also a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason in Scioto Consistory and a member of Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a republican in national politics and a member of the Christian Church.

Doctor Shepard married in June, 1917, at Cambridge, Ohio, Miss Edna Hart. She was born in Bellaire, but her father, William H. Hart, for many years has been engaged in the coal business both in Belmont and in Guernsey counties, and is now a hardware merchant at Cambridge. Mrs. Shepard is active in church, social and club life at Bellaire. They have one daughter, Helen Jane.

JOHN BRUCE FROSTICK. What at the time may seem a veritable calamity often proves to be a blessing in disguise. There is no way of looking forward into the future and discerning the coming workings of fate or whatever force governs events. If there were life would be robbed of much of its savor. In this connection, had it not been for a strike which occurred in May, 1910, in Missouri, John Bruce Frostick might still have been a railroad man instead of being the president and owner of the Independent Transfer Company of Portsmouth, Ohio, the leading concern of its kind in its section of the state. Mr. Frostick's career is an interesting one, as briefly outlined within the confines of this review.

John B. Frostick was born October 6, 1882, in Bedford County, Virginia, and is a son of Samuel Oscar and Charlotte Elizabeth (Geer) Frostick, the former of whom died in 1912, while the latter is still living on the old homestead in North Carolina. Both the Bruce and Geer families are old and honorable ones, dating back many generations in Europe. On the paternal side Mr. Frostick is a grandson of Alfred and Mary Louise Frostick, of England, and on the maternal side of Charles Edmund and Elizabeth Geer, of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Samuel Oscar Frostick was born in England, and was about twenty-one years of age, in 1859, when he immigrated to America, settling first in Canada. Thence he came to the United States and spent some years in Virginia, but later moved to North Carolina, where he followed lumbering, owning timber lands and operating sawmills. He was a man of high principles, and an active member of the Baptist Church, in which he was an official, as he was also of the Sunday school, as superintendent. He and his worthy wife reared a family of five sons and two daughters, of whom John Bruce is the next to the youngest in order of birth.

John Bruce Frostick attended the public schools of Virginia until reaching the age of ten years, at which time the family moved to Virginia, where he furthered his education by six years of public school study. After one year of high school he entered his father's sawmill and remained under the elder man until he was nineteen years of age, in the meantime gaining a pretty fair knowledge of machinery, for which he had a natural bent. When he left the parental guidance he went to Richmond, Virginia, and secured employment in the shops of the railroad company. After serving an apprenticeship of three years he was put on an engine, as fireman, a post which he held for sixteen months, then being given employment in the shops as a journeyman machinist. Mr. Frostick held this position for eleven months and then gave it up and went to Raleigh, North Carolina, where he spent six years in the shops of the Rock Island Railroad, and September 13, 1907, first came to Portsmouth, Ohio, where he was identified with the shops of the Norfolk & Western Railroad until 1908. From this point he went to Indianapolis, Indiana, where for four months he worked for the Big Four Railroad, then going to Shawnee, Oklahoma, for the Rock Island, and from there to Sherman, Texas, for the Santa Fe. Returning to Portsmouth, Mr. Frostick was married and soon thereafter returned to Sherman, Texas, with his bride, but after a short period went to Nevada, Missouri, and was connected with the Missouri Pacific Railroad until the strike of May, 1910.

Out of employment, Mr. Frostick turned his attention to Portsmouth, his wife's home city, and hither they came, Mr. Frostick finding no difficulty in securing employment as a mechanic with the Whitaker-Glessner Steel Company. However, he had all along cherished an ambition to be at the head of a business of his own, and after fourteen months he resigned and invested his savings in the purchase of a small restaurant located near the Norfolk & Western depot. On the following day he received word of the death of his father, and he at once went to North Carolina, where he remained during the funeral and the settlement of his father's affairs. On his return he found that Mrs. Frostick had risen to the occasion with good business judgment and enterprise and had the restaurant operating in an excellent manner. During the three years that Mr. and Mrs. Frostick conducted this establishment they made it a splendid success, and finally when they sold out, realized handsomely on their investment. Having made his plans beforehand, Mr. Frostick purchased two Ford town cars and started a business known as the Independent Transfer Company, a business to which he has devoted himself uninterruptedly to the present time. This has grown into the largest business of its kind in this section and is doing a

voluminous trade in the way of transfer and long-distance trucking. He now maintains a regularly scheduled truck line to Cincinnati and intermediate points, as well as to other cities in Ohio, and special business is accepted in the way of trucking as far as Chicago and other distant communities. When he found the need of more capital to swing his business, Mr. Frostick incorporated the company, and for a time others held some of the stock, but at this time he had regained all of the stock and is now the sole owner of the business. Its growth and development are indications of Mr. Frostick's business ability and industry. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Odd Fellows and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On October 5, 1909, at Portsmouth, Ohio, Mr. Frostick was united in marriage with Miss Preston Anna Darragh, daughter of James E. and Georgia (Parker) Darragh, both of Kentucky, where Mr. Darragh was in the United States Government service as a gauger. On coming to Portsmouth, Mr. Darragh was first in the hotel business, but later entered the grocery business, and became one of the sound and substantial men of the city. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and is fraternally affiliated with the Masonic Blue Lodge. He and his wife have been the parents of four sons and four daughters. To Mr. and Mrs. Frostick there have been born four children: James Alfred, who is deceased, James Bruce, Charlotte Louise and Bettie Louise.

Elzey G. Burkam has gained in the City of Dayton, the vital metropolis and judicial center of Montgomery County, a secure vantage place as one of the representative newspaper men of the Buckeye State. Here he is the publisher of the Dayton Herald, a daily afternoon paper, and the Dayton Journal, a morning daily. Both of these papers are maintained at metropolitan standard in their issues and in the equipment of the modern newspaper plant in which they are published. The success that has attended the publication of these representative newspapers is shown distinctly in the work that is now (summer of 1924) in progress in the construction of a newspaper building, which in erection and equipment will represent an approximate expenditure of $1,000,000.

Elzey G. Burkam was born at Lawrenceburg, Indiana, on the 7th of December, 1872, and after having there profited by the advantages of the public schools he was a student in the Howe Military Academy, which was then established at Lima, Ohio, but which now is located at Howe, Indiana. Later Mr. Burkam was graduated from the Hopkins Grammar School at New Haven, Connecticut, and his higher academic studies were pursued in historic old Yale University, in which he was a member of the class of 1894.

While still a college student Mr. Burkam became specially interested in practical journalism, and after his graduation from Yale University, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, he became a member of the reportorial staff of the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette. Later he there served in a similar way with the Cincinnati Times-Star, and finally he identified himself with the Wheeling Intelligencer, at Wheeling, West Virginia. He became editor-in-chief of this paper and also president of the company by which it was published. After disposing of his interest in this newspaper business he became managing editor of the Columbus Dispatch, in the capital city of Ohio.

Mr. Burkam has been a resident of Dayton since 1911, in which year he purchased the plant and business of the Dayton Journal. Two years later he acquired also the Dayton Herald, and of these paper he has since continued the publisher, his progressive policies having brought them up to a high standard and the enterprise having been unequivocally successful under his able management.

Mr. Burkam is a trustee of Miami University, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity, is an active and liberal member of the Dayton Young Men's Christian Association, and is a member of the Lotos Club in New York City.

Mr. Burkam wedded Miss Blanche Thompson, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and the children of this union are four in number, namely: Anna Constance, Lucy Lloyd, Elizabeth Rogers and Elzey G., Jr.

Joseph A. Sloan, of Napoleon, has for many years been an expert engineer in the oil and gas industry, and has been the man primarily responsible for the development of one of the important public utilities of Northwest Ohio, the Ohio Gas Light and Coke Company.

Mr. Sloan was born in New York State, in 1880, his father a native of Ireland, while he was born in America. He was educated in the public schools at Baldwinsville, New York, and subsequently by practical experience acquired a thorough knowledge of the petroleum industry. For several years he was a contractor in the building of pipe lines and derricks. For about ten years he was general manager and engineer for W. E. Moss & Company at Detroit, and for that firm handled a number of contracts involving the installation and operation of public utilities, including artificial gas plants. Later he bought the gas and electric plant at Defiance, Ohio, operating it about a year and a half, and in 1914 he and his associates combined their interests in several gas and lighting companies in Northwest Ohio, under the corporation name of the Ohio Gas Light and Coke Company, which now has facilities for supplying gas for seven towns and also owns the electric light plant at Delta. The main offices of the company are at Napoleon, and Mr. Sloan is one of the large stockholders in the business. He is a member of the National Commercial Gas Association and the Michigan Gas Association.

Mr. Sloan married at Fulton, New York, Miss Anna E. Hartigan, who finished her education in the State Normal School of New York. Her parents, David and Margaret (Burke) Hartigan, were of Irish stock, her father a native of Canada and her mother of New York State. David Hartigan and Joseph A. Sloan became associated in the gas and coke business in 1911, and became one of the original members of the Ohio Gas Light and Coke Company. Mr. and Mrs. Sloan have one daughter, Margaret Mary, born September 29, 1913. He is a democrat in politics, is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Knights of Columbus, and he and his family are communicants of the Catholic Church at Napoleon.

Henrietta Puthoff-Miller, M. D. In her native City of Hamilton, Doctor Puthoff-Miller began her career as a physician and surgeon, and has since returned to that community, where she conducts an extensive practice. She was one of the earlier women of Ohio to qualify for this profession, and her abilities have brought her notable success in a field so long monopolized by the other sex.

Doctor Puthoff-Miller was born in Hamilton, daughter of Francis H. and Elizabeth (Stenver) Puthoff. Her father was a successful druggist at Cincinnati when he died in 1902. Doctor Puthoff-Miller is a niece of Frederick Puthoff, who for many years served as mayor of the City of Hamilton.

After finishing her high school course at Hamilton she taught school for six years in the Hamilton public schools. In 1894 she completed the medical course in the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, and in 1895 received her degree from the Woman's Medical College of Cincinnati. Subsequently she took special work in the Illinois School of Electro-Therapeutics.

After graduating Doctor Puthoff-Miller practiced for two years in Hamilton, and then for twenty-two years was one of the leading woman surgeons of the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota. While there she acted as assistant surgeon at the Minnesota State School for Feeble Minded. Returning to Hamilton in 1919, she has since conducted a general practice and is also examining physician for the Woman's Business Association and the Indianapolis Life Insurance Company. She is a member of the Butler County, Ohio State and American Medical associations.

Doctor Puthoff-Miller belongs to the Woman's City Club of Hamilton, the Woman's Business Association and is a member of the Eastern Star and White Shrine of the Masonic Order. She was married in 1898, at Minneapolis, to Charles S. Miller, a prominent attorney of that city.

WILLIAM R. POULSON, present postmaster of Holgate in Henry County, is one of the younger citizens of Northwest Ohio, has been active in local affairs, and was in service during the World war.

He was born at New Bavaria, near Holgate, April 3, 1893, son of George and Tillie (Klear) Poulson, his father born at Holgate and his mother at Bavaria. They were educated in the public schools, and are members of the Catholic Church, and republicans in politics. Their two children are William R. and George, the latter attending high school at Holgate.

William R. Poulson was one year old when his parents moved to Holgate, and he grew up there, attending the grammar and high schools. For two years he was in school at Chicago, and from there went as an enlisted man in the Army Medical Corps and spent eight months in service in France, until the armistice. He was mustered out at Chicago, and then moved to Toledo, where he was a worker in the shipyards and later in a tobacco factory.

Returning to Holgate, Mr. Poulson, on March 24, 1922, was appointed postmaster, and is giving a splendid administration to that office.

Mr. Poulson, who is unmarried, is a member of the Catholic Church, votes as a republican, and has acquired some invested interests in the oil fields of Northern Texas, and also in a rubber company at Wichita Falls, Texas.

CLARENCE H. WOOD is district superintendent of the branch office at Steubenville for the Ohio Inspection Bureau, a bureau maintained by the insurance companies doing business in the state. Mr. Wood is a graduate engineer, and his technical training is an important part of the qualifications for his work in the insurance profession.

Mr. Wood was born at Hatboro, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, November 17, 1887, son of Newton E. and Elizabeth R. (Reeder) Wood, and grandson of Comly and Geraldine (Shoemaker) Wood, the former of English and the latter of German descent, while his maternal grandparents were Eastburn and Ellen Reeder. Newton E. Wood has followed an agricultural career and is one of the respected men of his community, having served one term as county road commissioner. He is a member of the Society of Friends. Mr. and Mrs. Newton Wood have two children: Eastburn R. and Clarence H. Eastburn married Mabel Wilson, of State College, Pennsylvania. Their two children are William and Thomas.

Clarence H. Wood attended the public schools of Hatboro, graduating from high school with the class of 1904. He pursued his technical training as a mechanical engineer in the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1908. He spent four years in the service of the United Gas Improvement Company, beginning as a clerk and was fitter foreman of one of the districts when he resigned. For several months he was employed in the drafting department of the Victor Talking Machine Company, and in 1913 entered the service of the Ohio Inspection Bureau, which is the rate adjusting and fixing body for the fire insurance companies doing business in the state. From 1913 to 1921 Mr. Wood was located at Youngstown, and in the latter year was transferred to the Steubenville office as superintendent of the district including Jefferson, Carroll, Harrison, Belmont and portions of Columbiana and Tuscarawas counties.

Mr. Wood is a member of the Society of Friends and is a Royal Arch Mason. He married, January 8, 1918, at New Florence, Pennsylvania, Miss Mary Wallace Liggett, dauhter of William and Elizabeth Liggett, both now deceased. Her father was a farmer, and both were members of the United Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Wood was the oldest of four children, the others being: Alvar, who by his marriage to Hazel Graff has a son, William; Elizabeth, who is the wife of David Harris, their three children being Wesley, Clarence and Marjorie; and Lettie, who married Frank Clawson, and has two children, Thomas and Frank.

E. L. MCCLAIN, of Greenfield, has a notable place among Ohio manufacturers, first for building up a business whose products are sent to nearly every portion of the civilized world, and also for using his wealth for distinctive service in behalf of educational and religious enrichment of his community.

Edward Lee McClain was born at Greenfield, May 30, 1861, son of William Page and Margaret Ann (Parkinson) McClain. On the paternal side his earliest ancestor in the United States was Andrew McClain, who, according to family traditions, was killed in the battle of the Brandywine. On the maternal side his earliest ancestor in this country was Oliver Ross, who established the Town of New Market, Highland County, Ohio, and whose daughter, Rebecca Ross, is said to have been the first white woman in Highland County, and married George Washington Parkinson, who was a soldier in the War of 1812.

E. L. McClain's early education was confined to the public schools of Greenfield. On November 1, 1881, at the age of twenty, having made and patented an improvement in horse collar pads, he began their manufacture in a small way. The business was incorporated as The American Pad and Textile Company on July 1, 1903. Through a steady development this has become a large enterprise, giving employment to several hundred people, with a branch at Chillicothe, Ohio, and another at Chatham, Ontario, Canada. The use of horse collar pads has grown from year to year until the annual requirement now is something like six hundred thousand dozen.

In 1903-05, on several hundred acres of land purchased by him in Bartow County, near Cartersville, Georgia, Mr. McClain built a cotton mill and established a village (now known as Atco) for the manufacture of the fabrics used in the horse collar pads. This business was incorporated in 1910 as The American Textile Company, and also gives employment to several hundred people.

At Louisville, Kentucky, after having conducted a similar enterprise at Greenfield, Mr. McClain established a business for the manufacture of show cases and office interior finish, known as The Crescent Manufacturing Company. This was carried on for several years very successfully, until it was sold during the World war. Several other enterprises in different parts of the country were established on the initiative or with the support of Mr. McClain. This indicates the somewhat unusual scope of his business activities.

While his philanthropic purposes and impulses have been expressed in several directions, none has been quite so noticeable as that in behalf of a new Methodist Church for Greenfield, and more lately in providing a complete high school plant for the community. This high school plant has been supplemented by another school building, in which the vocational departments are conducted. That this was a notable achievement in public school progress in America has been recognized by a number of educational authorities. An architect and school specialist writing in the American City Magazine said: "Among the several small cities that have changed their building and educational policy so that all the children may enjoy equal educational advantages is Greenfield, Ohio, a small city. Several years ago Mr. E. L. McClain presented a practical gift to the city, a high school on a centrally located site, and though it is a medium sized school, it is unusually fine in efficiency of plan, richness of facilities, beauty and substantial construction.

"The Greenfield plan of concentrating its educational machinery in a central location, the foresight in the selection of an adequate site, and the planning of a plant where the principles of democracy can actually be set in motion through practice, and not merely taught, is undoubtedly a distinct departure in school buildings for most American small cities."

Mr. McClain married, December 17, 1885, Lulu Theodosia Johnson, daughter of the late Joseph and Theodosia (Schofield) Johnson. To this union were born four children, the three surviving being Edward Lee, Jr., Helen St. Clair and Donald Schofield McClain. The two sons were in service during the World war. Edward now lives in California, and Donald is with the above mentioned cotton mills in Georgia.

Mr. McClain is still active in business, confining his attention principally to The American Pad and Textile Company and The American Textile Company, of both of which companies he is a member of the Executive Committee. A number of large private investments also require his attention. His only diversion, which has become a habit, as it were, is his activity in behalf of the public schools of Greenfield.

Thomas Garfield Syler. As a young man Thomas Garfield Syler found his work in the field of education, and for over twenty years has been identified with teaching and school administration, holding many posts of responsibilities. He is now superintendent of schools at Sugar Creek.

Mr. Syler was born on a farm near Strasburg, in Tuscarawas County, June 22, 1881, fifth among the eight children of Harvey D. and Josephine (Luke) Syler, and a grandson of Thomas and Hosannah (Leader) Syler, natives of Pennsylvania and early settlers in Clark Township, Holmes County, Ohio. Harvey D. Syler was born on a farm in Holmes County, and is still living in that locality at the age of seventy-four. He was a farmer after his marriage, lived for several years in Geauga County, and for many years carried on the business of live-stock dealer. His has been an active and useful life, and one that has connected him influentially with many community affairs. He is a staunch republican.

Thomas Garfield Syler grew up on his father's farm, and was educated in rural districts, then in the schools at Berlin and Walnut Creek, and later he graduated from the North Canton High School. He was also a student in Wooster University.

Mr. Syler at the age of twenty began teaching, and his experience in rural schools aggregated nine years. For two years he was superintendent of schools at Fresno, Ohio, and for four years was district superintendent of schools in Coshocton County. In 1918 he came to Sugar Creek as superintendent of the Sugar Creek-Shaneville public schools, and under his direction this has become one of the best organized and most efficient units in the public school systems of Tuscarawas County.

Mr. Syler is a member of the Reformed Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic lodge and Knights of Pythias. He is a republican in politics. He married in 1908 Miss Elma Fleishman. Their three children are Virginia, Katherine and Thomas.

Charles A. Poindexter, M. D. Throughout his career of nearly forty years as a physician and surgeon Doctor Poindexter has been identified with Meigs County. For over twenty years he has practiced at Middleport, and his professional reputation has been enhanced by his progressive record in good citizenship.

Doctor Poindexter was born in Addison, Gallia County, Ohio, December 2, 1872, son of D. A. and Mary C. (Watson) Poindexter. His parents live at Addison, his father being a retired miller. D. A. Poindexter saw Government service in the Civil war as a marine on the Tenessee River, and was a participant at the battle of Shiloh. There are four children: James, a farmer at Gallipolis; Lillian, who died when a school girl; Miss Nellie, an employe in the offices of the New York Central Lines; and Dr. Charles A.

Dr. Charles A. Poindexter acquired his early education in the village schools at Addison, and he achieved his ambition for a medical education by paying his own expenses, earning the money by teaching rural district schools in Gallia and Meigs counties. He graduated from Ohio Medical University at Columbus in 1895, and since then has done post-graduate work in the Chicago Polyclinic. Doctor Poindexter first located at Dexter, in Meigs County, and in 1903 moved to Middleport. He has had a very heavy general practice, and for six years was county coroner of Meigs County. He was a member of the County and State Medical societies.

Doctor Poindexter is a republican, is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, and in Masonry is a member of the Scottish Rite Consistory and Aladdin Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Columbus. He and his family are Presbyterians. Doctor Poindexter married in 1912 Miss Kathryn Daniels, a daughter of Thomas Daniels, of Pomeroy. Mrs. Poindexter is a dentist by profession.

J. Carl Beil is a prominent and successful representative of the chicken hatchery industry in his native City of Youngstown, and in the conducting of his large and modern chicken hatchery, situated on the Oak Street extension, he has an efficient assistant and associate in the person of his youngest son, Harold, who has been his coadjutor in the upbuilding of this prosperous business enterprise.

Mr. Beil was born in Youngstown on the 24th of December, 1879, and in this city his parents,

Jacob and Caroline (Schmidt) Beil, still maintain their home, the former having been born in Germany and the latter at Hubbard, Trumbull County, Ohio. Jacob Beil was little more than a boy when he became a resident of Youngstown, and here he learned the trade of patternmaker, as a workman at which he was long employed in connection with leading industrial establishments in this city. Both he and his wife are zealous members of the Catholic Church.

J. Carl Beil attended the parochial school of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, this being a German parish in Youngstown, and upon leaving school, at the age of fourteen years, he entered upon an apprenticeship to the trade of patternmaker. Like his father, he became a skilled workman at this trade, and to the same he gave his attention until 1903, when he became superintendent of the establishment of the Scholl, Semple, Jordan Company, with which he continued to be thus associated seven years. He then purchased a half interest in the upholstering business of the E. E. Beil Company, and later he acquired full control of this business, which he conducts in connection with the chicken hatchery on the extension of Oak Street. In 1922 he and his son Harold established their present chicken hatchery business. Mr. Beil is a republican in politics, is affiliated with the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and he and his wife are active communicants of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

In November, 1901, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Beil and Miss Margaret Schmidt, who was born and reared in Youngstown and who is a daughter of Frank and Margaret (Hoffman) Schmidt. Mr. and Mrs. Beil have three sons, Earl C., Lynn and Harold A., and all still remain at the parental home at the time of this writing, in the summer of 1924.

Harvey J. Bachtel has earned an important degree of success in the practice of law, and is also a member of the veteran real estate organization of Akron known as J. I. Bachtel and Company, founded and conducted for many years by his father.

Harvey J. Bachtel was born at Akron, April 2, 1880, second of the four children of Jacob I. and Althea (Triplett) Bachtel. His father for over thirty-five years has been in the insurance, real estate and loan business, being head of J. I. Bachtel and Company. He has done much development work in South Akron, putting on the market several allotments there, and Bachtel Avenue was named in his honor. His name has been associated with various civic and public causes, and he is a very earnest member of the Disciples Church.

Harvey J. Bachtel as a boy started upon a career as an attorney. He attended the grammar and high schools of Akron, and received his Bachelor of Laws degree from Ohio Northern University in 1902. He was active in the oratorical and literary societies in the university, and has distinguished himself as a lawyer of unusual ability. He has specialized in real estate law, and has handled all the legal business of J. I. Bachtel and Company.

He is a republican, a member of the Akron City Club and University Club, the Akron Real Estate Board and the Summit County and Ohio State Bar associations. Mr. Bachtel married Miss Harriet Merriman, daughter of the late Wells Merriman, a financier. The Merriman family were identified with Summit County in pioneer days, and Merriman Road, one of the county's thoroughfares, was named in honor of Mrs. Bachtel's grandfather. Mrs. Bachtel is active in church work, in the Woman's City Club, the Parent-Teachers' Association and other organizations. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Bachtel are Elizabeth and Clayton J.

Fred Dennis Bird, M. D., has practiced medicine in Ohio for over twenty years. He and his family have prominent social connections at Port Washington, and both he and his wife represent old and honored families in Ohio and in America.

Doctor Bird was born on a farm in Buffalo Township, Noble County, Ohio, October 4, 1877, son of Absalom and Ellenor (Moore) Bird. His father was born on the same farm as Doctor Bird, son of Joseph and Anna (Roberts) Bird. Joseph Bird and his wife came from their native State of Pennsylvania, settling on the farm in Buffalo Township of Noble County that is still in the family. The father of Joseph Bird was George Bird, a native of England. He was one of the soldiers recruited for the service of King George III, and brought overseas to fight against the rebellious colonists at the time of the American Revolution. He was one of the Hessians captured at the battle of Trenton, New Jersey, by General Washington's forces. Subsequently, being a mercenary soldier without any special allegiance to England, he joined the colonists and fought on their side in the closing events of the Revolution. Subsequently he settled in Pennsylvania, and from that state his son and other descendants came as pioneers to Ohio. Doctor Bird is eligible for membership in the Sons of the American Revolution. The mother of Doctor Bird, Ellenor Moore, was born in Guernsey County, Ohio, where her parents, James and Nancy (Nelson) Moore, were pioneer settlers on coming from Pennsylvania. James Moore was a son of Joseph Moore, of Scotch-Irish ancestry. The father of Doctor Bird, Absalom Bird, always lived on a farm, but was a carpenter by trade. He was a soldier in the Civil war and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He and his wife reared seven children, three daughters and four sons.

One of these children, Fred Dennis Bird, spent the years of his childhood and early youth on a farm. His education was supplied by the country schools, by the Pleasant City High School, and after some varied occupations and experiences he entered Starling Medical College at Columbus, where he was graduated in 1903. Doctor Bird for four years practiced at Ruraldale in Muskingum County, was for fifteen years engaged in practice at Ava in Noble County, and since May, 1922, has enjoyed an increasing practice and reputation as a physician and surgeon at Port Washington in Tuscarawas County. He is a member of the Noble County and Ohio State Medical associations. In politics he is a republican, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He and Mrs. Bird are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which faith they were reared.

Doctor Bird married, September 9, 1903, Miss Nellie Grant Clark. She was born in Guernsey County, Ohio, January 18, 1877, daughter of Lawrence Samuel and Mahala (Moor) Clark. She is a member of the Eastern Star and Daughters of Veterans, her father being a veteran of the Civil war, and member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Her paternal grandparents were Andrew W. and Sarah (Lawrence) Clark, while her maternal grandparents were Isaac and Elizabeth (Hickle) Moor, who came to Ohio from Virginia. The father of Andrew W. Clark was born in Ireland. The Clarks, Moors and Lawrences are all of Scotch-Irish lineage. Mrs. Bird was the only child of her parents. Her father was formerly married to Mary Jane Sheplar, and by that union there were three children. The one child and son of Doctor and Mrs

Bird is Kenneth Clark Bird, born at Ruraldale, Ohio, November 2, 1905.

CHARLES O. BRICKWEDE is president of the Brickwede Brothers Company, formerly the Marietta Mantel Company. This company has contributed to Marietta's reputation as a center for the manufacture of high class wood work. The company specializes in mantels and more recently in dining-room furniture.

Charles O. Brickwede and his brother, Fred M., with three employes started the business in 1903 in an old building formerly occupied by the Crystal Ice Company. At that time they manufactured mantels. The making of mantels of artistic design and finished workmanship has continued through all the years. Both brothers are expert cabinet makers and carvers.

The brothers were born at Marietta, Charles O. on August 18, 1878, and Fred M. April 9, 1881. Their parents, Charles and Rachael (Ludtman) Brickwede, were born in Germany, the mother having been six years of age when her parents brought her to the United States. Charles Brickwede came to Marietta from Germany at the age of twenty-three. He was an expert boot and shoemaker, conducted a shop of his own at Marietta, and made footwear not only for the farmer but the college man as well. He made boots out of the finest and best material, for prices ranging from $3.50 to $3.75 per pair. He was not only an expert worker, but had high ideals of citizenship, and reared his family with thrifty and industrious habits. Charles Brickwede died in 1892, and the widowed mother is now seventy-three years of age, dividing her time between Marietta and Cleveland. There were five children: Charles O.; Fred M.; Nellie, wife of S. W. McCoy, a real estate man; Lydia and John I., twins, Lydia being the wife of Jacob Ludwig, a landscape gardener, while John L., a graduate of Marietta College and of the medical department of Western Reserve University, is now practicing medicine at Akron.

Charles O. Brickwede was fourteen years of age when his father died, and as the oldest son he had to become the head of the family and the bread winner. He acquired his education in the common schools, and when his father died was working for 50 cents a day sandpapering in the chair factory. After his father died in addition to spending the day at the chair factory, he put in several night hours in the shoe shop in order to keep that business going as a means of supporting his mother and the other children. Mr. Brickwede learned the various branches of cabinet maker, and became specially skilled in wood carving, a craft which his brother Fred also took up. From the chair plant he went with the Stevens Organ and Piano Company, being placed in charge of a department.

Then twenty years ago the brothers organized the Marietta Mantel Company. Their mantels have been sold and distributed all over the United States. In 1917 they started the manufacture of dining-room furniture, and they now operate two plants at Marietta, employing about one hundred and seventy-five people. The Brickwede brothers are experts themselves in all branches of their business, and have proved able executives and have a perfect organization. Very recently the company took the new name of Brickwede Brothers Company, Charles O. being president and sales director, and Fred M. secretary, treasurer and general manager.

In November, 1906, Mr. Charles O. Brickwede married Miss Bertha Pierce, of Washington County, Ohio. She is the only woman member of the Marietta School Board. They have one daughter, Naomi Ruth. The parents of Mr. Brickwede were Baptists, but he and his family belong to the Gilman Avenue Methodist Church, and his brother Fred is superintendent of the Sunday school and has been on the City Council two terms. Charles O. Brickwede is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club, is a republican, and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and United Commercial Travelers.

RAYMOND A. YOUNGER is one of the representative younger members of the bar in his native City of Celina, judicial center of Mercer County, his birth having here occurred on the 19th of December, 1898, and his parents being still residents of this attractive little city. Mr. Younger is a son of Judge C. S. and Emma (Andrews) Younger. The father gave seven years of service as judge of the Probate Court of Mercer County, and also served as assistant state superintendent of insurance, under appointment by Governor Davis. He is now special insurance attorney in the department of the attorney-general of Ohio, and has charge of all legal matters of insurance order that come up for consideration in this department.

Raymond A. Younger was graduated from the Celina High School as a member of the class of 1916, and during the ensuing scholastic year he was a student in the University of Michigan, and he then transferred to Ohio State University, in which he was graduated in 1920, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Thereafter he continued his studies in the law department of this university until 1922, in which year he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He forthwith was admitted to the bar of his native state, and has since given his close attention to the practice of his profession at Celina, where he has already made a record that gives evidence of his skill and resourcefulness as a trial lawyer and careful and conservative counselor. Mr. Young is a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha and Phi Alpha Delta college fraternities. In the Masonic fraternity he has received the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, besides being also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He has active membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church in his native city. In connection with his professional activities Mr. Younger is local attorney for the Cincinnati Northern Railroad and also for the Federal Land Bank at Louisville, Kentucky.

Mr. Younger is a loyal and zealous advocate of the principles and policies for which the republican party stands sponsor, and has no little of leadership in its councils and campaign activities in Mercer County, besides which he is becoming a prominent factor in the Ohio state organization of his party. At the time of this writing, in the spring of 1924, he is a candidate for delegate from Mercer County to the Ohio State Republican Convention of this year, and is expecting also to make the race for the office of prosecuting attorney of Mercer County. In his candidacy for mayor of Celina, in 1923, he was defeated by a very small majority.

WILLIAM GETTMAN. Three miles north of the Village of Columbus Grove, Putnam County, is situated the attractive and well improved farm which is the stage of the successful agricultural and live-stock enterprise of Mr. Gettman, his rural home receiving service on one of the rural mail routes from Ottawa, the county seat.

Mr. Gettman was born at Somerset, Perry County, Ohio, March 9, 1856, and is a son of Adam and Agnes (Smith) Gettman. Adam Gettman was born in Baden, Germany, and there in his youth he learned the shoemaker's trade. Like other German youths,

he was called into military service in Germany, and after three years in the army he and many others became concerned in a rebellion and were made prisoners by the government. After 112 days in prison he with several comrades escaped through a sewer, and after swimming across a canal he returned to the parental home, he having been eighteen years old at the time. His father, who held an official position under the government, refused to receive him at the home, but his mother provided him with a suit of clothes and the equivalent of $7.50 in American money. The young fugitive made his way by night to a seaport 180 miles distant, his principal subsistence en route having been berries which he found by the way side. On arriving at the seaport he found favor with the captain of a vessel, and embarked for the United States. His financial resources were reduced to fifty cents at the time of his arrival in the port of New York City, and finally he made his way to Ohio. At Somerset, Perry County, he found employment at his trade, to which he there gave his attention until he went forth as a loyal soldier of the Union in the Civil war. He was made sergeant in his company, and with his regiment of Ohio volunteer infantry he continued in active service until the close of the war. His marriage had occurred prior to his entering this military service, and after his return home he resumed the work of his trade in Perry County. Finally he came with his family to Putnam County, and here he purchased 120 acres of land three miles north of Columbus Grove. He cleared the land, provided it with adequate drainage ditches, and developed one of the excellent farms of this county, both he and his wife having continued to reside on this homestead until their death. Mrs. Gettman likewise was born in Germany, and she was young when the family came to the United States and established a home in Ohio. Mr. Gettman was one of the substantial and honored citizens of Putnam County, was a republican in politics, served as trustee of Pleasant Township, and was affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic. Mr. and Mrs. Gettman became the parents of eight children, all of whom are living (1923): Mary is the wife of Jacob Kisle; William, of this sketch, was the next in order of birth; Elizabeth is the wife of George Pope; George resides at Columbus Grove; Clara is the wife of John Emmons; Maggie is the wife of Albert Cherry; Samuel is a resident of Lima, this state; and Louise is the wife of Edward Core.

William Gettman was reared on the old home farm and received the advantages of the local schools. He has continued his active association with farm enterprise in Pleasant Township from his youth to the present time, and his energy and good management have gained to him substantial success. He has served as trustee of Pleasant Township, is a republican in political allegiance, and he and his wife hold membership in the United Brethren Church.

Arch F. Unckrich is the present county surveyor and county engineer of Crawford County. He received his technical education for civil engineering, and has been prominent in the profession.

Mr. Unckrich represents an old and well known family of Galion, but was born at Kalamazoo, Michigan, November 8, 1889, son of F. and Minnie (Hasselbach) Unckrich. His mother was born in Germany and his father at Sandusky, Ohio. His father was a wheelwright by trade. His parents after their marriage in Ohio moved to Michigan, later to Terre Haute, Indiana, and finally to Galion, Ohio, where F. Unckrich is president of a Steel Engraving Company. There are three children: Clarence, a graduate of the Rose Polytechnic Institute of Terre Haute, Indiana, a mechanical engineer and superintendent of his father's factory; Edna, a graduate of the Galion High School, now the wife of Dr. C. R. Noble, of Sandusky; and Arch F.

Arch F. Unckrich was still a boy when the family moved to Galion, where he graduated from high school and took his civil engineering course and degree in the Ohio Northern University at Ada. After graduating he was assistant city engineer, with two years at Galion, and then entered the Government service and spent two years in the Philippines as a second lieutenant in the Philippine Constabulary. Mr. Unckrich was director of public service at Galion five years, and was then elected and in September, 1919, began his duties as county surveyor and engineer. While his offices are at the courthouse in Bucyrus, he still keeps his residence at Galion.

Mr. Unckrich married Miss Ruth Mitchell, and they have one son, Ferdinand, born in 1916. They are members of the First Reformed Church. Mr. Unckrich is a democrat, is a member of Galion Lodge of Masons, is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner and is a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

William S. Hanna, a member of the Cleveland bar and president of the Reserve Mortgage & Investment Company of that city, lived in Holmes County before moving to Cleveland, and was at one time judge of the Common Pleas Court there. He has earned many distinctions in his profession and in business and public life.

His grandfather, James Hanna, a native of Summerset County, Pennsylvania, represented the Scotch-Irish Hannas so prominent in the early history of Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio. The frontier Village of Hannastown in Pennsylvania, named for this family, was destroyed by hostile Indians during the Colonial period. From Pennsylvania several branches of the family moved to Eastern Ohio, settling in Columbiana County, including James Hanna, who located in that section of Ohio in 1819. The late Mark Hanna, of Cleveland, was descended from one of these pioneer Hannas in Columbiana County. The Hannas for the most part, until the last generation or two, were Quakers in religion.

However, William S. Hanna is a native of Holmes County, born on a farm near Holmesville January 14, 1860. His father, Milton Hanna, was born in Columbiana County in 1824, and was about ten years of age when his parents moved to Wayne County, Ohio, and two years later to Holmes County. James Hanna, father of Milton Hanna, was for many years postmaster of Holmesville; was a county commissioner and a splendid citizen at all times. Milton Hanna, though influential in the democratic party, never sought any public office, his life being lived as a simple and industrious farmer. He died in 1903. Milton Hanna married Elizabeth A. Stiffler, a native of Holmes County, daughter of John Stiffler, whose Holland Dutch ancestry came to America in Colonial times, settling near Philadelphia, later generations moving into Western Pennsylvania and thence into Ohio. They settled in and around Benton and in Holmes County. John Stiffler was an early day blacksmith in Holmes County, and had the distinction of opening the first coal mine in that county, mining coal to use in his blacksmith shop. Mrs. Milton Hanna died in 1895, mother of six children: William S.; John C., a practicing physician at Kenmore, Ohio; Andrew J., who occupies the old homestead in Holmes County; Charles N., who became a physician and died in 1918; Phoebe, who married John

Carl V. Weygandt.

Mitchell; Lucy, who became the wife of Harvey Kauffman, of Wooster.

Reared on his father's farm in Holmes County, William S. Hanna was educated in district schools, the Millersburg Normal School, Mount Union College, and made use of his sound intelligence, enterprise and industry to fit himself for a career of usefulness and honor. He taught school several years, and at the same time studied law under the direction of D. S. Uhl, a noted trial lawyer in Holmes County. In 1884 he went out to Iowa and taught school in that state for a time. On his return to Holmes County he taught school, was county school examiner, and later county surveyor. He was also admitted to the bar and practiced law, and was elected and served two terms of three years each as prosecuting attorney of Holmes County. He was elected judge of the Common Pleas Court of the Third Subdivision of the Sixth Judicial District, comprising Holmes, Cochocton and Wayne counties, in 1912. Judge Hanna was on the bench a full term of six years. In 1919, soon after leaving the bench, he located in Cleveland and resumed the private practice of law, though most of his time has been given to business and finance. In 1920 he became president of the Reserve Mortgage & Investment Company, and is also president of the Knickerbocker Mortgage Company of Cleveland.

His activity in politics has been in behalf of the democratic party, though his personal aspirations have been limited to public positions within the line of his profession. During the World war, under appointment from Governor Cox, he served as chairman of the Legal Advisory Board of Holmes County. Judge Hanna is known as an authority on local history, and has been a keen student of economic and social conditions, having been a contributor to the newspapers for many years. He wrote and published a number of historical sketches on Holmes County, some of the more prominent titles being "Early Civil Jurisprudence of Holmes County," "The Indian Boundary," "A History of the Newspapers of Holmes County," "The Indians of the Kilbuck" and "Colonel Crawford."

In September, 1887, Judge Hanna married Miss Nevada B. Ewing, who was born at Holmesville, daughter of Thomas Ewing, who came to Ohio from Western Pennsylvania. The five children born to Judge and Mrs. Hanna were: Fern, Hazel, William E., Milton A. and Veda V. Veda died in 1920. Fern, a graduate of Bethany College in West Virginia, married Joseph M. Wells, assistant manager of the Homer Laughlin Pottery Company of Newell, West Virginia, and their children are Virginia R. and Joseph M., Jr. Hazel Hanna, also a graduate of Bethany College, was married to George S. Getz, a hardware merchant at Kent, Ohio, and has two children, William Hanna and Jean Getz. William E. Hanna graduated from Bethany College and studied law in the Ohio State University and the University of Michigan. He graduated from Western Reserve University Law School, and since his admission to the bar in 1923 has practiced in Cleveland with the firm of Johnson & Johnson. The other son of Judge Hanna, Milton A. Hanna, is a graduate of Bethany College and the Western Reserve Law School.

Orie T. Davis has not found it necessary or expedient to leave either his native county or the old home farm in order to find opportunity for productive achievement, and the farm which stages his successful operations as an agriculturist and stock-grower is that on which he was born, in Van Buren Township, Putnam County, six miles east of Leipsic. Here his birth occurred April 14, 1872, and he is a son of N. D. and Emma E. (Van Gilder) Davis, both natives of the old Buckeye State. N. D. Davis was born in Blanchard Township, Hancock County, this state, October 5, 1845, and the year 1923 finds him still associated with farm industry in Putnam County, where he is a member of the Board of Directors of the Putnam County Fair Association and where he has done well his part in advancing farm standards. He is a republican in political allegiance, and is an active church member, as was also his wife, who died May 22, 1923. Of the four children three survive the loved mother, the eldest being Mrs. Cora A. Dukes, of Findlay, Ohio; Orie T., of this sketch, is the next younger; and Dr. Merle C. is engaged in the practice of medicine in the City of Cleveland.

Reared on the farm which is now his place of residence, Orie T. Davis early gained practical experience that has proved of distinct value in his later years of independent farm enterprise, his educational advantages in the meanwhile having been those of the public schools. His well improved farm of 160 acres is situated in section 36, Van Buren Township, and he is known as one of the progressive exponents of agricultural and live-stock industry in his native county. He is a stockholder in the farmers' cooperative grain elevator at Shawtown, Hancock County, a place not far distant from his farm. He is loyally aligned in the local ranks of the republican party, and he and his wife are zealous members of the Methodist Protestant Church, in which he is serving as treasurer and as a teacher in the Sunday school.

November 22, 1909, recorded the marriage of Mr. Davis and Miss Blanche Niebel, who presides graciously over the social and domestic affairs of their attractive rural home. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have no children.

Carl V. Weygandt. A significant tribute to the real and proved ability in the judicial election at Cleveland during the general election of 1924 was the majority of 11,500 given to the democratic candidate for judge of the Common Pleas Court of Cuyahoga County, Carl V. Weygandt. Judge Weygandt has been a practicing member of the Cleveland bar since 1918. He is the second Weygandt in Ohio to serve on the Common Pleas bench, his father having been formerly a judge of that court in Wayne County.

Judge Weygandt was born on a farm in Baughman Township, Wayne County, June 14, 1888, descended alike from Colonial ancestors and early Ohio settlers. This family is of German-French origin of the Rhine Provinces, and during the World war furnished soldiers to both the German and French armies. General Weygandt was chief-of-staff to Marshal Foch. The American ancestors came over in Colonial days and settled in New York and Pennsylvania, and from that state later generations came to Ohio. The great-grandparents of this generation were William and Catherine (Frase) Weygandt, the grandparents being Jacob K. and Mary (Downer) Weygandt and the parents being Judge William E. and Cora (Mock) Weygandt, still living. Upon coming to Ohio the family settled in Baughman Township, Wayne County, in which section members of it have been successful farmers and honored citizens.

His father, who was born in the old homestead in Wayne County, June 1, 1864, graduated from the Ohio Northern University with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1885, studied law at Wooster, was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1894, and for over thirty years has been a member of the Wooster bar. He was prosecuting attorney of Wayne County from 1898 to 1904, and his service as judge of the Common Pleas Court of Wayne County extended from 1909

to 1915. Since leaving the bench he has resumed a successful practice at Wooster. His wife, Cora Mock, was born in Baughman Township, Wayne County, August 6, 1865, daughter of Samuel and Lydia (Shisler) Mock. The three children of William E. Weygandt and wife are: Carl V., Ross S. and Ola.

Carl Victor Weygandt, after graduating from the Wooster High School in 1906, taught in the elementary schools for two years and then took the regular course in the Wooster University, graduating Bachelor of Philosophy in 1912. From 1912 to 1915 he was an instructor in the Wooster High School and Wooster College and then entered the Western Reserve University Law School, graduating and taking his law degree in 1918, and being admitted to the bar in June of the same year. In Cleveland he was associated with the law firm of Thompson, Hine & Flory. In December, 1923, he became chief counsel for the Cleveland Automobile Club, but on April 5, 1924, Governor Donahey appointed him to fill a vacancy on the Common Pleas Court bench. Governor Donahey selected him from among the three Cleveland attorneys recommended for the vacancy by the Cleveland Bar Association. His standing as a lawyer and the service he rendered on the bench during 1924 fully earned the support manifested for his candidacy in the election in the fall of that year.

In 1920 Judge Weygandt was elected on the democratic ticket a member of the Ohio General Assembly, and during the regular session of 1921-22 was a member of the house committees on judiciary, codes, cities, military affairs, elections, reorganization and taxation and also a member of the house special committee to investigate the State Highway Department. He introduced house bill No. 239 amending the Dower law of Ohio, so as to give in fee simple to a widow or widower one-third of the real estate which either the wife or husband who died possessed. In sipte of its sound, economic and moral principle this bill failed to pass in that session. He introduced house bill No. 393, amending that section of the general code relative to the power of judges of Common Pleas Courts, a measure enacted in the law. He gave particular attention and study to the bill providing a minimum wage for women. While a member of the very small minority of that session of the General Assembly Mr. Weygandt attracted attention among the members, irrespective of parties, as one of the able and hard working legislators, eloquent, fearless, always a hard but fair fighter, which qualities, together with his broad grasp of facts and principles, brought him the confidence and respect of the entire legislative body.

During the World war Judge Weygandt served in every bond and Red Cross campaign and in all of the drives for the community funds. He is a member of the Cleveland, Ohio State and American Bar associations; a member of the Board of Trustees of the East End Chamber of Commerce; is on the Official Board of the First Glenville Methodist Episcopal Church; a member of the City Club, the Singers, the Cleveland Council of Sociology, the Delta Tau Delta and the Delta Theta Phi college fraternities, and Ebenezer Lodge No. 33 Free and Accepted Masons, the Council, Royal Arch Chapter, Knights Templar Commandery, Elkhorn Shrine and Lake Erie Consistory of the Scottish Rite Masons, and also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Judge Weygandt married, June 14, 1915, Miss Jessie May Silver, who was born at Wooster, Ohio, daughter of Jerome R. and Jennie (Cassidy) Silver. Their two sons are Richard S., born March 3, 1918, and Clark W., born March 6, 1923.

Elmer L. Porter. Except for the time he was overseas as a war worker Elmer L. Porter has devoted his life since boyhood to education. He has been a successful teacher and school administrator, and is now superintendent of the public schools of Ironton in Lawrence County.

He was born at Mowrystown, in Highland County, Ohio, April 24, 1881, son of John William and Emily Louise (Druhot) Porter, both natives of Ohio and still living. The paternal grandparents were John and Susan Porter, the Porters being of New England stock. The maternal grandparents were Fred and Margaret Druhot. The Druhot name is of French ancestry. John W. Porter has spent his active career as a farmer, is a member of the Methodist Church and is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner. In the family are four children, Lovie J., Elmer L., Flora Margaret (wife of Charles Ferguson) and Lola.

Elmer L. Porter was reared at Mowrystown, attended public schools there, and did his preparatory work at Westerville, Ohio, and subsequently took the classical course at Otterbein College of Westerville, from which he was graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1907. In the meantime he had taught three years in district schools, and after graduating was principal of the high school at Pleasantville, Ohio, in 1907-08, and remained there as superintendent of schools in 1908-09. From 1909 to 1914 Mr. Porter was superintendent of schools at West Jefferson, and from 1914 to 1918 was city school superintendent at Upper Sandusky.

During the World war he joined the War Council of the Young Men's Christian Association, and as one of the war secretaries went overseas with the Eighty-ninth Division. He was an athletic director, but most of his work was in the commissary. He was on the front line along the Meuse-Argonne sector from August 6 to September 12, 1918, and was then in the St. Mihiel sector until the armistice. As educational director of the Eighty-ninth Division he accompanied that force into Germany and returned with the division to America in June, 1919. He was one of the valuable men among the Y workers overseas, and his work was given generous recognition. The commanding officer of the Eighty-ninth Division paid him a special compliment in a letter.

After returning home Mr. Porter resumed his educational work, and from 1919 to 1923 was superintendent of schools at Greenfield. On August 1, 1923, he took up his duties as school superintendent of Ironton. He is a Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

June 25, 1908, at Mowrystown, Ohio, Mr. Porter married Miss Nora Ethel Wills. Her father, William Wills, was a Union soldier in the Civil war. Mrs. Porter represents an old American family of Revolutionary stock, and on the record of one of her ancestors is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Her father was a farmer and a member of the United Brethren Church. Mrs. Porter graduated Bachelor of Arts from Otterbein College in 1906 and taught school. She is the youngest of three children, her sisters being Flora and Cora. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Porter are: Willard Wills and Letha Jean Porter.

Charles I. Waddle, who is giving specially loyal and effective service as a member of the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, with official headquarters in the City of Steubenville, the county seat, and with residence at Brilliant, one of the progressive and attractive minor cities of the county, was born on the parental homestead farm in Wells Township, this county, and the date of his

nativity was March 5, 1861. He is the younger of the two children of Thomas and Elizabeth (Oliver) Waddle, and the elder son is Oliver M., who married Mattie Heinaman, their children having been four in number, namely: Olive (wife of Rev. Mr. Dudy and the mother of two children); Ethel, who is a popular teacher in the public schools of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Edith, who likewise is a successful teacher; and Raymond, who is deceased. Thomas Waddle long held place as one of the successful farmers and substantial citizens of Jefferson County, and he and his wife were specially zealous members of the Christian Church, in which he served as an elder and a trustee. He was a son of Isaac and Elizabeth Waddle, and the original American representatives of the Waddle family came from Ireland. Mrs. Thomas Waddle was a daughter of Charles Oliver, and the family name of her mother was Flood, Four Oliver brothers came from Ireland to the United States, and one of the number settled in New York, another at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, while a third became the founder of the family in Jefferson County, Ohio.

The sturdy discipline of the farm was a valuable part of the early experience of Charles I. Waddle, and after profiting by the advantages of the district schools he advanced his education by attending a normal school at Hopedale. As a young man he became associated with his only brother in the ownership and operation of the ferry across the Ohio River at Wellsburg, and they continued their alliance in this enterprise thirty-five years.

Mr. Waddle has found many opportunities for manifesting constructive loyalty in connection with his native county, and is known as a liberal and progressive citizen. He gave about fifteen years of service as a member of the Municipal Council of his home Village of Brilliant, and was for many years a member of its Board of Education. He was one of the very first in Jefferson County to urge the construction of good roads, and has been a leader in this laudable movement, the subject of good roads being one to which he has given close study, the while his investigations have been broad and varied. In his service as county commissioner he has been a potent force in furthering this work and in advancing other improvements that make for the general prosperity and progress of his home county. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and he has given zealous and prolonged service as an elder of the Christian Church, of which his wife likewise is an earnest member. He is a member of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce and the Steubenville Automobile Club, and is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

In October, 1883, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Waddle and Miss Belle Wiggins, daughter of the late John and Isabel Wiggins, whose home was in Brooke County, West Virginia, where Mr. Wiggins was a prosperous farmer, both he and his wife having been active members of the Baptist Church. Of the Wiggins children, John is survived by one child; George is married and is the father of two children; Mary is the wife of Moses Patton, and they have three children; Belle is the wife of the subject of this sketch; Jennie is the wife of William Miller, and they had two children; and two other daughters died young.

Mr. and Mrs. Waddle have two children: George A., whose first, and deceased, wife bore the family name of Dunbar, is the father of two children by this marriage, and he and his present wife, whose family name was Rooks, have no children. Llda remains at the parental home, and, like her parents, is an active member of the Christian Church.

Major John L. Tate, vice president and treasurer of the Defiance Dairy Products Company, was associated with large business affairs for many years, and held a number of important executive responsibilities. His death occurred on the 30th of January, 1924.

Major Tate was a native of Defiance County, Ohio, born in Highland Township, October 27, 1861, son of John W. and Eliza (Stiles) Tate. His father was born at Natural Bridge, Virginia, in 1820, and his mother at Xenia, Ohio, in 1819. John W. Tate came to Ohio as a young man, and was married here and engaged in farming and the operation of a saw mill. He organized a company and took it to the front for service in the Union army, but the company was transferred to the command of a regular captain. He was a Presbyterian and his wife a Baptist, and in politics he was a republican.

John L. Tate, only son of his parents, grew up on the home farm in Defiance County. He graduated from the Defiance High School in 1881, and soon after he established and operated the first telephone exchange in Defiance. Leaving that, he went with the United States Express Company at Chicago, was made cashier in the offices there and later promoted to general auditor of the company, and for twenty-two years had his business headquarters in New York City.

When war came on he was made assistant general manager of the Eddystone Rifle Plant at Eddystone, Pennsylvania, and was also treasurer and director of the Eddystone Munition Company. These plants manufactured two million rifles within fifteen months time and twenty million shells. Mr. Tate was commissioned major with a view to putting him in charge of a tank factory, and he was started for France when the armistice was signed.

Soon after the close of the war Major Tate returned to Defiance, Ohio, and for a time was general manager of the Defiance Machine Works. He resigned from this to organize the Defiance Dairy Products Company, with a capital of $300,000. This has been a very successful business from the start. Major Tate was also a director of the Defiance Box Company and the Defiance Motor Truck Company. He married Miss Helen Josephine Smith. They had four children: Lawrence, who graduated from the high school at Jersey City, New Jersey; Charles E., who is a graduate of the Stephens Institute of Technology at Hoboken, New Jersey; Gertrude D. and Erma J., both high school graduates and now married.

Major Tate was a member of the Baptist Church, as is also his family. He was affiliated with Manhattan Lodge of Masons No. 62, was a republican in politics, and was president of the City Council and acting mayor of Defiance.

Horace Ensign Groom, M. D. In Akron medical circles Doctor Groom is known as an accomplished authority in a special field of practice, and his skill is being recognized over a rapidly broadening field in Ohio.

He comes of a family of professional men and was born at Britt, Hancock County, Iowa, August 2, 1886. His grandfather moved out to Iowa in pioneer times from Ohio, and was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Dr. William Simpson Groom, father of the Akron physician, was born in Ohio, in 1860, and went to Iowa when a small boy. He is a graduate of the University of Iowa and of the Keokuk Medical College, and has practiced at Prairie City, Hartley, Britt and since 1913 at Conway, Iowa, where he has a general country practice. He is active in school matters and the Methodist Church. He married Harriet A. Doolittle.

Their son, Horace Ensign Groom, acquired his early education in the Britt High School, and in 1907 graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree from Morningside College at Sioux City, Iowa. During 1908 he taught in the Hawarden High School and in 1909 in the Lake Crystal High School, and in the latter year moved out to Kennewick, Washington, where for six years he was high school principal. After this successful experience as an educator he returned East and entering Rush Medical College at Chicago was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1919. He had some unusual opportunities in his professional training being resident physician at the Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago and a student of the eminent specialist Dr. B. W. Sippy at Chicago. While in medical college during 1918-19 he was also enrolled as a member of the Medical Reserve Officers' Corps.

Doctor Groom came to Akron in 1919 as house physician of the People's Hospital, and since 1920 has engaged in private practice. He is a licentiate of the National Board of Medical Examiners. He specializes in gastro-enterology, being the only medical man in Akron to confine his attention to this specialty. He is a member of the medical staff of the People's Hospital and of the Akron City Hospital. In 1924 he was commissioned a captain in the Ohio National Guard, medical department.

Doctor Groom is a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to the Summit County, Sixth District, Ohio State and American Medical Association. His hobby is a kennel for the breeding of police dogs. Doctor Groom married at Chicago, April 6, 1918, Miss Elsie Smith a native of Sioux City, Iowa. Her father, John Smith, was a furniture merchant at Sioux City and died in January, 1924, at the age of sixty-two. The two children of Doctor and Mrs. Groom are Horace Ensign Junior, and Betty Louise.

John H. Feltman is a native of Darke County, has lived there practically all his life, and those familiar with his successful business career admire him the more because of the early struggles and the remarkable degree of enterprise manifested in pushing himself along the road to success.

Mr. Feltman, whose home is at Ansonia, was born in Mississinewa Township, Darke County, June 6, 1866. He was born at the death of his father, William Feltman. His father was born in Hamburg, Germany, and shortly after coming to America and settling in Darke County he entered the Union army as a soldier in the Civil war, and died at Camp Chase, near Columbus, at the end of that struggle. His widow survived him only a short time, and John H. Feltman was thus left an orphan at the age of six months.

He grew up in the home of Joseph Zerby, attended school at Beamsville, and had more or less regular duties in helping Mr. Zerby in the store, a training that gave him a fundamental knowledge of business. As a youth he drove a huckster wagon, bought poultry, later engaged in live stock buying, and after two years on a farm resumed the buying and shipping of live stock. His home has been at Ansonia since 1900.

Mr. Feltman in 1901 built an elevator at St. Henry, Ohio, but sold it eight months later and then acquired a feed and elevator business at Ansonia. In 1908 he also established an implement business, and continued these varied lines until 1920, when he retired from the grain business.

For a number of years in connection with his business affairs Mr. Feltman has shown his interest and ability in public life. He was a candidate for county commissioner and once defeated, but in 1922 was elected, serving on the board until 1926. He was township treasurer of Brown Township four years, for four years a member of the County Central Democratic Committee, and spent four years on the Ansonia Town Council. He is affiliated with the Lodge and Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he and his wife are both Rebekahs. They are members of the Christian Church.

He married, October 18, 1923, Miss Alera B. Rahn, a daughter of George W. and Pauline (Bailey) Rahn. Mr. and Mrs. Feltman have three children. Lucille L., who graduated from the Ansonia High School in 1912, is the wife of Mr. E. F. Howard, of Ansonia. The son George R. is a graduate of the Ansonia High School and of the Ohio State University in 1921, is a druggist at Union City, Indiana, and by his marriage to Ruth Richeson has a daughter, Ada Bell Feltman. The youngest child is Charles E. Feltman, editor and part owner of the local paper, the Ansonian.

William Roy Keller, M. D. As an incident to his busy career as a physician and surgeon Doctor Keller was a medical officer of the World war period. For nearly ten years he has practiced at Dover, and is one of the well known members of his profession in Tuscarawas County.

A native of Pennsylvania, he was born at New Brighton, in Beaver County, October 22, 1887, son of John J. and Luella (Shaffer) Keller. In that locality he grew up, graduating from high school, and soon afterwards entered Hahnemann Medical College at Philadelphia. He was graduated in 1910, and for a year and a half remained in practice at Philadelphia. On coming West he was a professional man in the city of Janesville, Wisconsin, for several years, until August 1, 1916, when he located at Dover.

Doctor Keller is a prominent representative of homeopathy, being secretary of the Ohio State Homeopathic Medical Society and president of the Northeastern Ohio Homeopathic Medical Society, while he is a member of the American Institute of Homeopathy and the International Hahnemannian Association.

As a volunteer in the Army Medical Corps, Doctor Keller was commissioned a first lieutenant, and was on active duty from August, 1918, to March, 1919, at first at the Medical Officers Training School at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, and then in General Hospital No. 14 at Fort Oglethorpe, and finally in General Hospital No. 10 at Boston, where he was assistant chief of the medical staff. Doctor Keller is a charter member of the American Legion Post at Dover, and was honored with election as its first commander.

He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Moravian Church and is a republican in politics. Doctor Keller married, in 1910, Alice J. Hobaugh. They have one son, William R., Jr.

Hon. Franklin P. Riegle. In the various activities that make up the daily life of Bowling Green few citizens are taking a more prominent part than Hon. Franklin P. Riegle. As a lawyer he has gained merited distinction in his profession, as president of the Commercial Bank he wields a healthy influence in financial circles, and as president of the local school board has promulgated and carried through a number of constructive movements.

Mr. Riegle was born at Covert, Van Buren County, Michigan, May 14, 1870, and is a son of Jefferson and Sarah M. (Gilmer) Riegle, the former of Pennsylvania-Dutch origin and the latter of Scotch ancestry. On both sides of the family Mr. Riegle is descended from Revolutionary stock, there having been at Valley Forge a Gilmer, as there was also Solomon Riegel, the father of Philip, the latter the

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father of Philip, and the last the father of Jefferson Riegle, who was born in Fairfield County, Ohio. Philip Riegle, the great-grandfather of Franklin P., came from Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, to Ohio and settled at New Riegle, Seneca County, the town being named in his honor. His son Philip was a shoemaker and farmer in Seneca County, where he was the owner of some valuable property. Jefferson Riegle, who was born in 1832, qualified as a sharpshooter during the Civil war, in which he fought as a member of the Twenty-first Ohio Infantry, being with Sherman throughout the struggle. At the time of the birth of his son he had mill interests in Michigan, which was then a temporary home for the family, and when Franklin P. was still an infant, moved to Hancock County, Ohio, and later to Wood County, where he lived in Jackson Township for a number of years, and for a time was a railroad contractor. Mr. Riegle was never in debt over night, making it a strict and unswerving policy never to purchase anything for which he did not have the cash money. He was a democrat in politics, but for years the male members of this family have been about evenly divided as to politics, three of Jefferson's brothers being democrats and four republicans. Philip, the grandfather, was a whig, and one of his brothers, a democrat. In religion the Riegles are Presbyterians and the Gilmers, Methodists. The great-grandfather of Mrs. Sarah Riegle, William Gilmer, was a Revolutionary soldier, and she was born in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, in 1834. Her death occurred in 1899 and that of her husband in 1902, both in Poinsett County, Arkansas, where Mr. Riegle was managing his extensive saw milling interests. Three sons and three daughters were born to this worthy couple, of whom the sons were: John Philip, now retired and living at Bowling Green; William J., deceased, who was a farmer; and Franklin P. The daughters are all deceased.

The education of Franklin P. Riegle, extending over a period of years, was acquired in the common schools, Findlay College, Ohio Northern University, and the Ohio State University, where he received his law regree in 1897. In the meantime, while gaining his education, he had been engaged in teaching. He was a precocious lad, and when only fourteen years had secured a teacher's certificate, which, because of his extreme youth, was marked void. He began teaching, however, when he was sixteen years old, and three years later was teaching mathematics at Findlay College. After practicing law at Bowling Green for two years Mr. Riegle was elected to the State Legislature in 1899 and reelected in 1901 and 1903. Feeling that training schools for teachers should be instituted, he was the author of the bill establishing and locating the five state normal colleges. When he retired from the Legislature he resumed his practice, with James L. Troup as partner, and this association continued until Mr. Troup's death in 1909, Mr. Riegle's present partner being Mr. Avery, the prosecuting attorney. His son and son-in-law, now attending the State University, will be his partners in the future. Mr. Riegle has been prominent otherwise in public life. He has been a member for twenty years of the school board, of which he is now president. In 1916 he was defeated for Congress by twenty-one votes in the elections that carried President Wilson to a reelection because of his war policy. A stanch republican, Mr. Riegle has been a delegate to numerous conventions, and was a delegate to the National Republican Convention at Cleveland. In religion he is a Methodist, and during the twenty-five years that he has been superintendent of the Sunday Schools has never missed a Sunday's service. He may be said to have several hobbies, one being the national pastime of baseball. During his college career he played first base for the college team, and still is capable of putting up a good game. Another one of his favorite occupations is farming, and at present he is the owner of much desirable acreage in Wood and joining counties, where he makes a specialty of breeding registered hogs and cattle, while his sheep carried away the blue ribbon at Chicago and St. Louis and a gold medal at Paris. Prior to the advent of the automobile Mr. Riegle raised many draft horses. He has been identified with banking for a quarter of a century, and is vice president of the Pemberville Bank, as well as president of the Board of Directors thereof; attorney for the Hoytsville Bank and a director and attorney for the Universal Machine Company and the Dye and Tool Company.

Mr. Riegle married Miss Maggie Dunn, a member of a family of educators and the daughter of a teacher and farmer of Jackson Township, Wood County. She was educated at the Ohio Northern University, and was a teacher in several of the schools of which Mr. Riegle was superintendent. Five children were born to this union: Vivian, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan, now doing research work at the Ohio State University; Marguerite, the wife of George A. Chaney, a law student at the university, where he is doing special work; Horace Dunn, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan, and a law student at the State University; Florence, who is attending Ohio Wesleyan; and Robert Gilmer, a senior at the local high school. G. A. Chaney and Horace D. Riegle attended the Student Army Training Camp at Ohio Wesleyan, where they received commissions.

While Mr. Riegle has numerous interests to attract and hold his attention, he is fond of the companionship of his fellows, and is interested in fraternal matters. He has filled the chairs in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belongs to the Knights of Pythias and is a life member of the Elks, in addition to which he holds membership in the Commercial and Kiwanis clubs. He is vice president of Group 3, Ohio Bankers' Association.

Hon. John J. Lentz is one of Ohio's native sons. He was born in Belmont County, January 27, 1856. His parents were Simon and Anna (Myer) Lentz, and early in life he acquired a working acquaintance with the thin soil of a hilly country. His maternal grandfather was a soldier under Napoleon in the Russian expedition of 1812.

He attended the district school in winter and worked on the farm in summer, and later walked ten miles daily to attend the St. Clairsville High School. At the age of seventeen, before completing his high school course, he accepted an opportunity to teach a district school at $30 a month—a very good salary in those days. In this day and age it is difficult to understand how any man could save money out of a salary of $30 a month, but Mr. Lentz did it. For three years the little red schoolhouse held him in its grip, two in Belmont County and one at Sligo in Clinton County.

With a thirst for greater knowledge he betook himself to the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, where he received a diploma in 1877. In the autumn of the same year he became superintendent of the grade schools at Maineville, Ohio. We hear of him next at Wooster, Ohio, attending Wooster University. He was there just one year, but that was long enough for him to capture a prize in an oratorical contest and rank first in mathematics. After one year at Wooster he transferred to the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, from which he graduated in 1882 with the Bachelor of Arts degree. He next attended the Law School of Columbia University in New York, and completed the two-year course in a

single year, graduating in 1883 with the Bachelor of Laws degree.

Mr. Lentz was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1883, and immediately began the practice of law at Columbus, Ohio. In April, 1887, Judge George K. Nash, who had just retired from the Supreme Court of Ohio, proposed a law partnership of Nash and Lentz. This partnership was formed immediately and continued until Judge Nash's death on October 28, 1904. During the life of this partnership Judge Nash served four years as Governor of the State of Ohio and Mr. Lentz four years in Congress, although they had agreed to stay out of politics.

In 1907 the law firm of Lentz and Karns was formed, which continued until Mr. Lentz as national president of the American Insurance Union and Judge John D. Karns as its national counselor found it necessary to devote their entire time to the American Insurance Union.

Early in his career Mr. Lentz developed an interest in public affairs. For five years he was a member of the Board of Examiners of Teachers in the Columbus public schools. In 1896 he became the democratic nominee for Congress in the Capital District of Ohio, this being the famous McKinley-Bryan Campaign. One of the most exciting contests in Ohio that year was waged in the Twelfth Congressional District. Mr. Lentz was then in the early prime of his life, a giant both physically and mentally, and in every public address he left a profound impression. He was fortunate in persuading his republican opponent to enter a joint debate, and in this way had an opportunity to present his side, with the result that he won by the narrow margin of 47 votes out of 49,000 votes in a district which Mr. Bryan lost by nearly three hundred. In 1898 he was renominated and reelected.

He served two terms in Congress, the Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth, from 1897 to 1901. For both terms he was appointed by Speaker Thomas B. Reed a member of the committee on military affairs, which rose to the rank of major importance by reason of the Spanish-American war in 1898. While in Congress he introduced the resolution demanding a Congressional investigation of the martial law and Idaho "Bull Pen" outrages, incidents of the well remembered labor war in the Coeur d'Alene District, and was the most active member of the committee that made the investigation resulting in the withdrawal of Federal troops from that state. During the Spanish-American war he took a stand against the canteen in the army posts, and in that way provoked the liquor interests against him. The abolition of the army canteen as advocated by Mr. Lentz was the first step which led eventually to national prohibition. This was the main cause of his defeat, by the 546 saloons in his district, in the election of 1900 by 18 votes out of 54,000 votes cast in his district which went 749 republican for the head of the ticket. At that time he became thoroughly convinced that the American saloon had grown to be a controlling factor in politics and a real menace to the American people, and from that time forward he joined the anti-saloon forces and gave that cause a month of his time each year without pay, and was in the midst of the fray in every wet and dry fight waged in Ohio and the nation until the death knell of the liquor interests was sounded by law.

His defeat for Congress by the liquor interests focussed his attention upon the evil political methods of that organization. The methods used bordered upon the criminal. We give in Mr. Lentz's own words a statement of how those methods were brought into play:

"In 1912 the liquor league, who then owned a majority of the legislators, offered me the senatorship on condition that I would agree to stand for a licensed saloon and against woman suffrage; they also offered to pay me $10,000 and expenses for ten addresses in different parts of the country, or $1,000 each for those ten and $1,000 each for any additional addresses which I might make. They required that, if elected, I should vote throughout my term in favor of a licensed saloon and against woman suffrage, although upon all other questions I was privileged to vote as I deemed best. But I told them I would rather be out of the Senate and have the saloon out of Ohio than to be in the Senate and have the saloon in Ohio; that I would rather be out of the Senate and have my mother given the right to vote than to be in the Senate and have my mother denied the right to vote."

Here we have a peep behind the scenes of the political stage that is most enlightening. We have, also, absolute proof that Eugene V. Debs, the noted socialist, three times candidate for the presidency of the United States, and famous political prisoner of the World war, was right when he exclaimed dramatically in 1923 that "John Lentz was too honest to succeed in politics."

While in Congress, with voice and vote, he helped to incorporate into our Federal code of laws the postal savings, the parcel post, and the one-cent pound rate for newspapers and magazines. He advocated the income tax amendment and the election of senators by direct vote of the people amendment and years before the woman suffrage movement was popular he was an ardent worker for that cause.

Let us now go back and follow another trail that has been made by Mr. Lentz. In an obscure corner of the Fraternal Monitor of December, 1894, may be found a very brief news item stating that the American Insurance Union had recently been organized at Columbus, Ohio, and that it would furnish life, health and accident insurance under the fraternal laws of that state. This little news item, in itself, gave no indication of being of any special significance. Nevertheless, it recorded one of the greatest events of the history of fraternal insurance societies. The new society thus simply and briefly introduced to the fraternal world was intimately connected with the central figure of this biography, who was its founder. At the time the American Insurance Union was launched Mr. Lentz was a member of the busiest and most prominent law firm in the Buckeye capital. As far back as 1890 he had been laying plans to organize a stock life insurance company which should operate upon the step-rate plan. He desired, above all, to get a plan that would furnish life insurance at the lowest possible cost consistent with safety. Then, just as now, his heart was set upon assisting his fellow-man. He saw the great need of the poor wage earner for ample protection at the lowest possible cost, for his dependents in case of death.

Mr. Lentz said: "What God charges for life insurance costs but little; what man charges makes it so expensive as to place it beyond the reach of those who need it most."

His modified step-rate plan has remained the cornerstone of the American Insurance Union, which was organized at Columbus in 1894, and which has now completed thirty years of growth and prosperity. Another provision which Mr. Lentz insisted upon in the new society was that protection should be furnished for every member of the family, regardless of sex or age.

He said: "Let us reduce the number of homeless and helpless by making known to our friends and neighbors the financial, moral and social advantages of membership in the American Insurance Union."

The history of the American Insurance Union has demonstrated the foresight and wisdom of Mr. Lentz

in founding the pioneer step-rate whole family insurance society. From the beginning in 1894 Mr. Lentz has remained continuously its executive head and leader. The founding and building of the American Insurance Union is the crowning achievement in the career of one of Ohio's eminent sons. His technical genius in perfecting a unique plan of fraternal insurance, and the qualities of personal character which he has applied to all the problems and responsibilities of his very purposeful and busy life, have well justified his friend, the Hon. James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor, in calling him "America's Greatest Fraternalist."

At the 1919 session of the National Congress of the American Insurance Union it celebrated its silver jubilee. This celebration was conducted upon a truly magnificent scale. A great silver loving cup was presented to Mr. Lentz, and upon this cup were engraved the following words: "John J. Lentz, President and Founder, American Insurance Union, Silver Jubilee, September 21, 1919. Presented by his fellow-workers."

The National Congress of the society in 1919 and 1921 showed beyond question the gratitude existing in the hearts of his fellow-workers by creating for him the office of president emeritus for the term of his natural life when he decides to retire from the active presidency. At his death the office is to become automatically abolished. As president emeritus he will continue as an advisory member of the National Board of Directors, the National Cabinet and the National Congress, and continue to draw the same salary he does when he resigns the active presidency.

Standing at the beginning of 1925 we do not know, we cannot see, what great work is still to be performed by John J. Lentz. We only know that his apparently limitless energy, his indomitable power of will, his wide vision and keen foresight will always continue in behalf of the welfare of humanity. As to the American Insurance Union which he founded and has led to its present high achievements, no one can foretell the greatness of its future. We do know that it has grown from one small room in the old Columbus Board of Trade Building until now it demands a building larger than any in the City of Columbus, and as fine as any in America, covering the square bounded by Broad, Front, Lynn and Wall streets, overlooking the Civic Center and fronting on the Old National Road, the greatest thoroughfare of America, it is rising to a height of thirty stories, symbolizing the first thirty years' progress of this society.

In an ordinary biography it would seem now that the climax had been reached and that nothing remained except the writing of a few closing sentences, but not so in the biography of this extraordinary character.

Briefly let us follow still another line of fraternal activity in which Mr. Lentz has engaged very prominently and effectively. For many years he has been a staunch supporter and one of the right hand men of Hon. James J. Davis in building up the Loyal Order of Moose. The word "Mooseheart" is the child of Mr. Lentz's brain. Mooseheart is especially designed to represent the united and collective heart of all the members of the Loyal Order of Moose. With that basic idea in mind Mr. Lentz coined the name that now represents one of the most unique and remarkable institutions, and which Albert Bushnell Hart of Harvard calls the greatest of its kind in the world. Hon. James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor, had taken charge of the Moose in 1906 when it was a decrepit, broken-down organization with a small membership. Under his leadership the order took a new lease on life and grew by leaps and bounds until today it has over 600,000 members. At the 1910 Baltimore Convention of the Moose Mr. Lentz introduced the first resolution and made the first speech in favor of founding this vocational and academic home for the care, training and education of the dependent boys and girls of deceased members. The general plan of Mooseheart is to provide a home for 5,000 children on 5,000 acres of ground. An acre of ground to each child is the basis of computation. The institution now has more than 1,023 acres and furnishes a home for over 1,200 children. It is located about thirty-five miles due west of Chicago. A high school education and a trade are given to each boy and girl. Mooseheart is not an orphanage. It is "The School That Trains for Life."

From the beginning Mr. Lentz has been a member of the Board of Governors. He has been instrumental in getting some of America's ablest welfare workers upon that board. He is a militant crusader in behalf of the children of America and of the world. Had Mr. Lentz never done another thing in all his life the world should shower him with blessings because of his share in the founding of Mooseheart. Another worthy enterprise of the Loyal Order of Moose in which Mr. Lentz has played a conspicuous part is the founding of Moosehaven, a home in the State of Florida for aged members of the order.

To fully realize the very important part Mr. Lentz has taken in the great and noble work of the Loyal Order of Moose one must bear in mind the striking remark of Arthur H. Jones, Supreme Dictator of the order, who said: "Mr. Lentz raised our ideals from a ten-acre academy to a thousand-acre university."

In January, February, March, April and May, 1918, as president of the American Insurance Union and as a member of the Moose War Relief Commission, Mr. Lentz visited the American, British, French and Italian war fronts from Ypres to Venice of the great World war. On more than one occasion he was under fire on an active front, and several times his own party drew the fire of the enemy.

On April 7, 1918, the first anniversary of America's entrance into the World war, at the invitation of the Italian government he delivered a masterly and ennobling address upon the subject: "A Free Man in a Free Nation in a Free World." This address was delivered in the old Roman Coliseum.

After his return from abroad Mr. Lentz delivered this famous address at the request of the United States Government before many civic, religious, fraternal and commercial organizations.

Mr. Lentz has been an advocate of many reforms both in and out of Congress, and an advanced thinker on many issues that have come before the American public. He advocated the principle of an income tax long before the income tax amendment to the Federal Constitution was adopted.

He cooperated in promoting and incorporating the Boy Scout movement. In short, he is now, has been and always will be a leader of men and a staunch supporter of every progressive movement that promises health, happiness and equality for all the people of his country. He has always championed the cause of the intermediate classes, and because of this stand he is always found stemming the stream instead of floating with the current.

In recent years he has given the full influence of his personal prestige to the movement to abolish child labor. Under Mr. Lentz's leadership the American Insurance Union sent to Washington the largest single petition in favor of the Child Labor Amendment to the Constitution. He believes and advocates that every boy and every girl should have a high school education and a trade, and that they should be fully grown men and women mentally as well as

physically before they are permitted to enter into the struggles and trials of competition in the many lines of human endeavor. Mr. Lentz asserts that a government of the people, by the people, and for the people needs an educated electorate.

Mr. Lentz was elected honorary vice president from Ohio by the delegation to the Democratic National Convention at Denver in 1908, and was chosen to second the nomination of both Bryan and Kern. He served as president of "Fraternal Day" at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915.

Some years ago Mr. Lentz delivered an address before the Roycrofters at East Aurora. His subject was "Thomas Jefferson, the Radical." Elbert Hubbard thought so highly of it that he published it in book form. This striking approval determined the rank and character of that address beyond doubt. It was another masterpiece.

Mr. Lentz was invited to deliver this address at William and Mary College at Williamsburg, Virginia, on the 13th of April, 1924. It was a fitting celebration of the birthday anniversary of Jefferson, who was a graduate of this old seat of learning.

Another of Mr. Lentz's masterpieces is his address, "Babies and Their Vested Rights." It has been published in many journals and delivered upon many occasions. Well may he be called a national orator.

In November and December, 1924, Mr. Lentz, upon invitation of Hon. James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor under Presidents Harding and Coolidge, accompanied the secretary and his party on an immigration commission through several countries of South America. The problem of immigration is a gigantic one with the United States at this time, and Secretary Davis no doubt chose Mr. Lentz as being one of the most capable men in the nation who could assist him on this very important commission.

Mr. Lentz resides at 1114 East Broad Street. Columbus, Ohio. He has one son, John J. Lentz, Jr.

His home is one of the large, handsome residences on Broad Street, the most beautiful residence street of Columbus. A most notable feature of his home is his private library, which contains many thousands of volumes and is frequently spoken of as the finest private library in the state, from the study of which through all the years since he began his law practice Mr. Lentz has enriched that exceptional range of practical contact with men and affairs. His home stands just three doors west of the governor's mansion.

Mr. Lentz is a great orator. He says great and original things in a great way, and by many is considered the equal to and by some the superior of any speaker in America.

Among the well known epigrams coined by Mr. Lentz, we insert as examples the following:

"God help the children of the rich; the poor can work."

"Envy is a sure sign of inferiority, envy is a disease which neither the physician's medicine nor the surgeon's knife can cure; envy rots the heart and brain of all who are guilty of it; envy finds fault but never praises; envy tears down but never builds; envy is never happy except in making others unhappy, and you may envy everybody until nobody envies you."

"The best way to live is to help others to live."

"An honest man is the noblest work of God and an honest government is the noblest work of man."

"We are not here alone to make a living but to make a life worth living."

"The mean habit of saying mean things about others is a sure sign of a mean mind and a mean heart; the good habit of saying good things about others is a sure sign of a good mind and a good heart."

"It is more important to know how to hold your tongue than it is to know how to hold your knife and fork. Be very sure you know both."

"A statesman is a man who lies awake nights thinking and planning how he may do something for everybody. A politician is a man who lies awake nights thinking and planning how he may do everybody for something."

"There is no worse fault than the fault of fault finding, and the finest of the fine arts is the fine art of being agreeable."

"I pledge myself not to vote for nor promote any principle or public policy unless it is calculated to improve the character, the habits and the practices of the entire citizenship of the United States."

Mr. Lentz has a very simple religion. He says that all of the religions of the world, and the ten commandments of all the religions of the world, may be summarized in the following eight words:

"He Loves God Most
Who Serves Man Best."

This life motto has been quoted hundreds of times by speakers and writers, and was adopted in 1923 by the Texas Fraternal Congress as its permanent motto.

General Nelson A. Miles, promoted from the ranks to a Major General by Abraham Lincoln, spoke in Chicago in 1925 upon the anniversary of Lincoln's birthday, and in a conversation with Judge Karns upon that occasion, he said of Mr. Lentz: "He is one of the ablest men in the country; he has more backbone than any forty men in Congress today, and I wish that he were there now."

The final estimate of Mr. Lentz's life work will not be written for many, many years. He is as vigorous physically and mentally as any of his associates twenty years younger, and every day sees him at his desk planning, pushing and operating the interests of the American Insurance Union. "I feel I ought to live to be a hundred," he says.

In closing we select from the scores of tributes paid Mr. Lentz by his many friends and admirers, one from the pen of Willard J. Hull of Connecticut, saying "My estimate of Mr. Lentz's work in the American Insurance Union and the Loyal Order of Moose, ranks it with the very highest service a man can render his fellowmen. It places him high on the calendar of those who do the Master's will and demonstrates that he has lived up to his life motto:

" 'He Loves God Most
Who Serves Man Best.' "

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